

1. *Can I home school my child?*

Yes. You will have to make the public school aware, in writing, of your choice to homeschool annually. You can obtain a form from, and return to, the Special Services office or any of the building offices. You may also submit a formal declaration by September 1 of each school year that includes the name and age of each child attending the home school, the address and telephone number of the home school, the name of each person teaching in the home school, and the name, address and signature of each person making the declaration of enrollment shall be included in said notice.

2. *Do I have to log hours?*

Yes. Missouri law requires at least one thousand hours of instruction, at least six hundred hours of which will be in reading, language arts, mathematics, social studies and science or academic courses that are related to the aforementioned subject areas and consistent with the pupil's age and ability. At least four hundred of the six hundred hours shall occur at the regular home school location. Requirements also include the following:

- A plan book, diary, or other written record indicating subjects taught and activities engaged in; and
- A portfolio of samples of the child's academic work; and
- A record of evaluations of the child's academic progress; or
- Other written, or credible evidence equivalent to subparagraphs a., b. and c.

3. *Do you recommend a certain home school program?*

No. Home school programs vary, and can be chosen by the family, based on individual needs. There are numerous programs from which to choose.

4. *Can I choose to re-enroll my child in public school?*

Yes. We ask that you re-enroll at semester so there is no disruption in instruction. We will ask for samples and/or assessments so we can properly place your child in courses that align to their academic levels.

5. *Can my child participate in school activities if I home school?*

Yes. Your child is eligible for extracurricular activities, some elective courses, use of public school libraries and special services for which they qualify.