



## **HSP App: Homeschooling State Laws Informational: Oregon**

### **Homeschooling Laws and Requirements in Oregon**

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Homeschooling in Oregon offers families the opportunity to educate their children at home according to state guidelines. Here's an overview of the homeschooling laws and requirements in Oregon:

#### **1. Notification Requirement:**

- Oregon homeschooling law requires parents to register with their local Education Service District (ESD) when homeschooling children between the ages of 6 and 18. Parents must file a Notice of Intent (NOI) to homeschool annually or when starting homeschooling for the first time.
- The NOI should include the names, addresses, and ages of the homeschooled children, as well as the names of the parents or guardians providing the homeschooling.

#### **2. Curriculum and Instruction:**

- Homeschooling parents in Oregon have the freedom to choose the educational approach and curriculum that best suits their child's needs. There are no specific curriculum requirements mandated by the state.
- Instruction must be in English and cover the subjects typically taught in public schools, including reading, writing, math, science, social studies, and health.

#### **3. Record-Keeping:**

Oregon homeschooling families must maintain attendance records and a portfolio of student work for each homeschooled child. These records should be kept for at least 18 months and made available for inspection by the local ESD upon request.

#### **4. Assessment and Evaluation:**

- Homeschooled students in Oregon are required to undergo annual assessments to evaluate academic progress. Accepted assessment methods include standardized tests, portfolio reviews by qualified individuals, or other forms of evaluation approved by the local ESD.
- Parents must submit the results of the assessment to the local ESD.

#### **5. Qualifications for Homeschool Teachers:**

- Oregon does not require homeschooling parents to have specific educational qualifications or teaching credentials.
- Parents are responsible for ensuring that their homeschooling program meets the state's educational standards and requirements.

**Useful Resources:**

- Oregon Department of Education - Homeschooling Information:  
<https://www.oregon.gov/ode/learning-options/home/Pages/default.aspx>
- Oregon Home Education Network: <https://www.ohea.net/>

It's important to stay informed about homeschooling laws and regulations in Oregon, as they may change over time. Consult with local county and state officials for the most up-to-date information and ensure compliance with Oregon's homeschooling requirements. Homeschooling offers families the flexibility to provide personalized education to their children, and understanding the legal requirements ensures a successful homeschooling journey.