

Homeschooling in Hawaii

Hawaii Board of Education regulations recognize homeschooling as a viable and legitimate alternative for child education. This regulation allows parents to homeschool their children by informing the Department of Education (DOE) with a notice of intent.

All parents choosing to home school their children are required to notify the local public school principal of their intent to homeschool. The following steps are required:

- Submit a completed Form 4140 **Exceptions to Compulsory Education**
- Submit a written statement of intent to homeschool and include the following:
 1. Name, address, and phone number of the child
 2. Birth date and grade level of the child
 3. Signature of the parent.

This notice of intent acknowledges, as a matter of record, the parent's intent to homeschool and allows the DOE to assist parents in their educational efforts. In addition, families are required to notify the principal if the homeschooling program is terminated or if another educational program is initiated.

For more information, contact the principal at the local school where you live (once in Hawaii) or visit:

Homeschool Link to DOE

<http://doe.k12.hi.us/myschool/homeschool/index.htm>

The link includes the following:

- **Department of Education's procedures for homeschooling in Hawaii**
- **Chapter 12 Home Schooling Guidelines**
- **Notice of intent to home school your child (Form 4140 Exceptions to Compulsory Education)**
- **Hawaii Homeschool Support Groups**

To request homeschool information please contact:

Hawai'i State Department of Education
Instructional Services Branch
475 22nd Avenue, Room 109
Honolulu, Hawaii 96816

Phone: (808) 203-5572 ext. 1405

Homeschool Information Network

National:

- National Home Education Research Institute <http://www.nheri.org>
- Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC) www.ERIC.ed.gov
- Home Schooling Foundation www.homeschoolfoundation.org
- Home Schooling Legal Defense Association <http://www.hslda.org>
- Military Home Schooling Network http://homeschooling.gomilpitas.com/weblinks/military_support.htm
- Homeschooling in Hawaii <http://www.homeschoolinginohawaii.com>
- Christian Homeschoolers of Hawaii (CHOH) www.christianhomeschoolersofhawaii.org

Other Helpful Sites:

- Free tutoring for Military Families <http://www.tutor.com/military>
- K12 Educational Services www.K12.com or <http://www.K12.com>
- Homeschool Curriculum and Support <http://www.homeschool-curriculum-and-support.com/national-home-education-network.html>
- SAS Curriculum Pathways <http://www.sas.com>
- SOAR (Student On-line Achievement Resources) www.SoarAtHome.org
- Live Homework Help <http://www.usmc-mccs.org/library/tutor/index.cfm>

Oahu:

- Hawaii Homeschool Association www.hawaiihomeschoolassociation.org
- Oahu Military Homeschoolers Connection <https://sites.google.com/site/omhchomeschoolgroup/>
- Myron B. Thompson Academy <http://www.ethompson.org/>

Questions to Ask:

√ *Is the homeschool organization accredited?*

√ *Is Kindergarten optional?*

√ *Does the organization have their own standardized testing?*

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