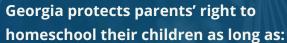


WHAT IS THE PROCESS TO FILE **HOMESCHOOLING PAPERWORK?**

- The only required documentation is a **Declaration of Intent submitted to the Georgia Department of Education.**
- The Declaration of Intent must be submitted within 30 days of beginning a homeschool program, and by September 1 annually thereafter if families continue homeschooling.
- Local school systems in Georgia are required to have proof of a student's enrollment in a homeschool program within 45 days of withdrawal from a Georgia public school. The **Declaration of Intent satisfies this requirement.** If the school system is not able to obtain this proof, they refer the matter to the Division of **Family and Children Services of the Department** of Human Services to conduct an assessment.

Additional information and resources available by scanning this code:



- Parents file paperwork with the Georgia Department of Education.
- Homeschooled students receive at least 180 days of instruction just like students attending traditional public schools.
- Homeschooled students are taught at least five subjects: mathematics, English language arts, science, social studies, and reading.

Are there any scholarships available for homeschooled students?

• Families wishing to transfer from a public school to homeschooling may apply for Georgia Promise Scholarships to help cover the costs and expenses of homeschooling.

What are the testing requirements of homeschooled students?

- Homeschooled students must complete nationally standardized testing once every three years beginning at the end of the third grade.
- Records of such tests shall be retained by the parent/guardian. Standardized testing may be completed at a testing vendor or a homeschool association.
- Georgia Milestones, End-of-Grade, and End-of-Courses Assessments are not nationally standardized tests.