



Christian Education Programs

Helping families choose Christian Education
options for their children

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Homeschool & Private Christian Schools
in San Diego

1 Independent Homeschooler “Private School Affidavit” (PSA)

An “Independent” homeschooler actually establishes their own private school.

BENEFITS:

- **You have the MOST CONTROL - YOU CHOOSE EVERYTHING**
 - * Your school’s name
 - * School start, end, vacations dates / times (must be 180 days of school) = Flexibility = Family time
 - * Curriculum / pace of learning / teaching methodology
 - * You choose WHO teaches
 - You teach everything
 - You join co-op with others for some subjects
 - You pay for class
 - You pay for online classes
 - You hire a tutor
 - You use Community College in high school
- **YOU are the teacher/administrator of your school**
 - * You choose if your kids to take yearly standardized testing
 - * You choose to Vaccinations
 - * EVERYTHING can be considered “school” / learning experience (“field trips”)
 - * No samples of work to turn in

CONCERNS:

- Can be overwhelming & lonely if you don’t have support
- Can be difficult to be both parent AND teacher
- You choose/pay for curriculum/supplies/extras
- You create lesson plans - most curriculum has this built in
- Needs a dedicated parent
- Need to submit 1 online form to CA per year, Course of Study (list of books) & attendance (180 days required)
- You must keep samples of work & attendance records
- You create/sign diploma and HS transcripts / have graduation ceremony & prom at home

WEBSITE TO FILE PSA:

cde.ca.gov/sp/ps/affidavit.asp

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2 Private Christian Homeschool Program “Private School Program” (PSP)

A PSP is a private school which has filed an affidavit. When you sign up, you become a teacher (of your own children) in that school.

BENEFITS:

- **SUPPORT**
 - * You are enrolled in a “school” that supports YOUR Christian values
 - * The school keeps records for you (180 days of school/yr)
 - * Extra-curriculars with other Christian families: Sports, clubs, drama, choir, speech, debate, field trips, class days
 - * They offer yearly standardized testing
 - * Graduation ceremony, diploma, transcripts, student ID card
 - * VACCINATIONS ARE NOT REQUIRED
 - * No samples of work to turn in
- **YOU CHOOSE:**
 - * School start, end, vacations dates & times (must be 180 days of school)
 - * Curriculum / learning style / pace of learning / Teaching methodology
 - * You choose WHO teaches each subject
 - You teach everything
 - You can join co-op with others for some subjects
 - You can pay for class
 - You can pay for online classes
 - You can use Community College in high school
 - * EVERYTHING can be considered “school” / learning experience

CONCERNS:

- Can be difficult to be both parent AND teacher
- You choose/pay for curriculum, supplies & extras
- You create lesson plans - most curriculum has this built in
- It’s not free—monthly fee to be enrolled in the school for their services
- Possible parent volunteer hours required for extra-curriculars

PRIVATE CHRISTIAN HOMESCHOOL PSP OPTIONS IN SAN DIEGO:

- **Grace Christian School**—record keeping only
- **Heritage Christian School**—record keeping, class days, competitive Sports, Drama, Choir, Speech, Clubs, K-12
Contact Vicki Stormoen Principal@HCSSD.org for more information

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**ALL resources/curriculum
listed on the back of this flyer are available to you as an
PSA/PSP homeschooler**

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Public Charter School Part / Full Time / Homeschool Program

A charter school is a school that receives government funding but operates independently of the established state school system.

BENEFITS:

- Charter schools are “FREE” (paid for by our tax dollars) and include:
 - * Curriculum / classes / supplies / funding for lessons & electives
 - * mandatory monthly meeting / accountability from a Facilitator
 - * Tutors/specialist available for each subject
 - * Some provide Special Education help
 - * They keep school records for you (175 days school/yr)
 - * They provide yearly standardized testing
 - * Graduation ceremony, transcripts, diploma, Student ID
 - * Usually no vaccinations required unless full week at learning centers (all charters are different)
 - * Masks are required indoors for all students in SD public schools
- YOU CHOOSE:
 - * “Independent” - You teach all subjects using their curriculum & supplement subjects with your own Christian material/worldview
 - * You can co-op with others for some subjects
 - * Charter can give you funds to pay for outside classes /lessons
 - * Your child can watch online classes
 - * Hybrid “Academy” - Your child can attend their classes (with their bias)
 - * Full time 5 days/week—Literacy First, Steele Canyon, Helix

CONCERNS:

- ALL charter schools are PUBLIC schools. All charters have different rules.
- Kids are very impressionable at young ages and will absorb what is taught in their “Learning centers” and see/hear in other students
- Learning centers choose the curriculum (including Common Core values and could use diversity examples in the classroom.)
- Full-time charter schools most likely require vaccinations
- You must meet monthly / submit samples of work to facilitator
- Charter schools will not pay for /accept any Christian curriculum as samples
- Charter funding is getting tighter yearly. Public schools want them closed.

SCHOOLS TO CONSIDER:

- **Julian Charter** (K-12) Contact Elaine Lopez (619) 251-7854
- **Literacy First:** * **Freedom** (K-8) independent study
* **Literacy First** (K-8) 5 days in class
- **Pacific Coast Academy** (K-12) (previously “Inspire”) Joy Olson (619) 990-8057
- **Springs Charter** (K-12) Contact Tiffany Harper (619) 454-3828 for more info
- **TLC The Learning Choice** (K-12) Debi Gooding, Director (844) 488-6852

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Private Christian School

A private school is independent in its finances and governance. Also known as non-governmental, privately funded, or non-state schools, they are not “administered” by local, state or national governments.

BENEFITS:

- You can DROP-OFF and go to work
- This option separates your role as just a parent, not parent/teacher
- SCHOOL CHOOSES:
 - * Part/Full time (2-3-5 days/week) in class
 - * Start / end / vacations dates / bell schedule
 - * Teachers
 - * Curriculum /learning style/ teaching methodology
 - * Dress code / uniforms
 - * Policies
 - * Some offer sports, clubs, extra-curricular activities
- They keep school records for you
- They provides yearly standardized testing
- They provide graduation ceremony, transcripts, diploma, Student ID

CONCERNS:

- School determines start / end dates / vacation dates / bell schedule
- You need to research the school’s doctrines to see what bias will be influencing your child. Choose a school that lines up with your beliefs
- Can be expensive: tuition range (\$5,000 - 15,000*/yr)
- Not much Special Education help
- Vaccinations are now required, possibly masks
- Early morning drop off / afternoon pick up
- Parent Volunteer hours in most schools
- Uniform costs if applicable

SCHOOLS TO CONSIDER:

- 3 days (K-12): **Foothills / Heartland**
- 5 days (K-12): **Christian Unified / Rock**
- Pathways K-12

ON-LINE PRIVATE SCHOOLS TO CONSIDER:

- **Abeka Academy / Bob Jones University** \$1100-\$1400*/yr K-12
- **Compass Classroom / Enlightenium Christian School**

CURRICULUM

- Abeka
- Apologia
- American Adventure Series
- Beautiful Feet
- Bluestocking press (Uncle Eric Economics Series)
- Bob Jones University (BJU)
- Catechism
- Chalk Dust Math
- Circe Institute List Tools of Writing
- Classical Conversations
- Compass Classroom 7th-12th
- Critical Thinking co.
- Easy Grammar
- Evan Moor
- The Good and the Beautiful
- History of the U.S.
- Houghton Mifflin
- IEW Phonetic Zoo
- Institute for Excellence in Writing
- Kiwi co.
- Know and Tell by Karen Glass
- Learning Language Arts Through Literature (LLATL)
- Math U See
- Memoria Press
- Modern Curriculum Press
- My Father's World
- the Mystery of History
- Pathway Readers
- Saxon Math
- School of Tomorrow
- Scholastic (unit studies)
- Scholastic Professional Books
- Simply Charlotte Mason
- Sing Song Latin
- Singapore Math
- Sonlight Curriculum
- Story of the World
- Teach Your Child to Read in 100 Easy Lessons
- Teaching Textbooks (math)
- Usborne
- Wall Builders
- Worldly Wise
- Write Shop

CLASS OPTIONS

- Create co-op with other parents to combine kids in same subject
 - **Abeka /Bob Jones/Liberty University** on-line classes
 - **Awaken Academy classes** K-8, you choose class \$155*/class
 - **Christian Family Schools (CFS)**- Field trips, parent resources, Park Days \$35*/yr
 - **Classical Conversations** K-12, 1 day in class. K-6th: \$650*/yr + books + fees 7th-12th: \$1500*/yr + books + fees
 - **Community College** 11th & 12th graders can take 1-2 classes per semester for "dual credit".
 - **Compass Classroom** video & on-line classes, resources
 - **Heart Christian Academy - La Mesa campus:** Katie Scott 619.202.1447 for more inform
 - **Heritage Christian School's Class Days and Academy**
 - **Homeschool Education Center** class days
- *all costs are approximate

SUPPORT, INSPIRATION and PODCASTS

- Above Rubies
- The Ask Andrew Podcast
- At Home With Sally
- Cafe Schole
- Cathy Duffy Homeschool Curriculum
- Circe Institute (videos, articles)
- Prager University
- Reviews Guide
- Revival Ministries International
- Read Aloud Revival
- Sally Clarkson
- Simply Charlotte Mason
- Teaching From a State of Rest Andrew Kern (video series)
- Wall Builders/David Barton (YouTube)
- Wall Builders Live (podcast)
- What Have You
- Wild and Free
- Your Morning Basket

SUPPLIES

- Christian Book Distributors
- Home Science Tools
- Lakeshore Learning
- Rainbow Resource

BOOKS and DISCIPLESHIP

- *15 Minutes Alone With God* by Emilie Barnes
- *Awaking Wonder* by Sally Clarkson
- *Charlotte Mason Companion* by Karen Andreola
- *The Core* by Leigh Bortons
- *Dare to Discipline* by Dr. Dobson
- *The Duties of Parents* by J.C. Ryle
- *Education of a Child* by Fenelon
- *Everyday Graces (A Child's Book of Manners)* by Karen Santorum
- *The Family Blessing* by Rolf Garborg
- *Financial Parenting* by Burkett/Osborne
- *For the Children's Sake* by Susan S. Macaulay
- *For the Children's Sake* by Susan Schaeffer Macaulay
- *Freedom for Mothers* by Denise Glenn
- *Gathered We Grow* www.gatheredwegrow.com
- *George Washington's Rules of Civility and Decent Behavior*
- *The Hidden Art of Homemaking* by Schaeffer
- *Laying Down the Rails (a Charlotte Mason Habits handbook)* by Simply Charlotte Mason
- *L'Abri* by Edith Schaeffer
- *Mere Motherhood* by Cindy Rollins
- *More Hours in My Day* by Emilie Barnes
- *Mother Culture* by Karen Andreola
- *The Mother at Home* by John S.C. Abbott
- *Our 24 Family Ways: A Family Devotional Guide* by Sally Clarkson
- *The Power of a Praying Parent* by Stormie Omartian
- *Say Goodbye to Whining, Complaining and Bad Attitudes...in You and Your Kids* by Scott Turansky & Joanne Miller
- *Strong Willed Child* by Dr. Dobson
- *Teaching from Rest* by Sarah Mackenzie
- *The Mission of Motherhood* by Sally Clarkson
- *The Unhurried Homeschooler* by Durenda Wilson
- *A Thomas Jefferson Education* by Oliver DeMille
- *Under the Apple Tree* by Helen Wessel
- *Wisdom for Mothers* by Denise Glenn
- *Wisdom with the Millers* series

RESOURCES:

- **CFS - Christian Family Schools**
- **CHEA - Christian Home Educators Assoc.**
- **Family Protection Ministry**
- **HSLDA (Home School Legal Defense)** every homeschooler should be a member High school transcripts, diplomas and many free resources \$120*/yr