



My First Year Homeschooling Tool Kit

Hello and welcome to your first year of homeschooling! You've made one of the best decisions of your life! You are about to embark on a journey that will bring you closer to your children and help you grow into the parent you always wanted to be. Brown Mamas is here to support you and help you locate the resources you will need to thrive on your homeschooling journey.

Below please find your very first affidavit of intention that you will file with your local Superintendent in the summer months prior to your first homeschooling school year. In Pittsburgh these documents must be filed during the August prior to the school year you intend to homeschool your children. It must be filed each year that you homeschool. If you live in the Pittsburgh Public School District your affidavit and objectives must be filed at:

PPS Student Achievement Center
925 Brushton Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15208

If you live outside of the City of Pittsburgh, you should contact your local school district's superintendent office immediately to find out where you must file the paperwork and if there is a deadline. The affidavit and educational objectives below can both be filed 'as is,' or you can choose to update the objectives with your own set of educational goals and ideas. The choice is yours. This affidavit and objectives are valid for any Pennsylvania resident wishing to homeschool.

Remember that your affidavit **must** be signed in the presence of a notary and that specifics are **not** a requirement in your curriculum objectives according to Pennsylvania law.

In the meantime, if you'd like to know more about what to expect your first year of homeschooling feel free to check out my article and video "What to Expect During Your First Year of Homeschooling." I hope you have an awesome first school year!

Looking Forward,
Muffy Mendoza

**Affidavit of Supervisor of Home Education Program
Pursuant to § 13-1327.1 (b)(1) of Act 169 of the Pennsylvania School Code**

To the Superintendent of the _____ School District: _____

This notarized affidavit sets forth: 1. That _____ is the supervisor of the home education program and shall be responsible for the provision of instruction. I have earned a high school diploma or its equivalent;

2. That the following children shall participate in the home education program:

_____ age _____
_____ age _____
_____ age _____
_____ age _____

3. The address and telephone number of the home education program is:

4. That such subjects as required by § 13-1327.1 are offered in the English language and the required outline of proposed educational objectives by subject area is attached;

5. The affidavit is evidence that the appropriate medical services have been provided and are on file or a religious or medical or ethical exemption has been claimed.

6. The home education program shall comply with the provisions of §1327.1 of the Pennsylvania School Code and this notarized affidavit shall be satisfactory evidence thereof.

Certification by Supervisor of Home Education Program:

As supervisor of the home education program, I certify that the supervisor, all adults living in the home, and persons having legal custody of the child or children in the home education program have not been convicted of the criminal offenses enumerated in subsection (e) of section 111 of the school code within five years immediately preceding the date of this affidavit.

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania County of _____

Signature of Supervisor

Date

Sworn and subscribed before me this _____ day of _____, _____.

Signature of Notary

Notarization:

Attachments: Outline of proposed educational objectives by subject area.

Educational Objectives (Elementary)

Student _____

Academic Year _____

English/Language Arts

- Continue to improve and review spelling, vocabulary, grammar and writing skills.
- Read differing genres of literature and various forms of writing.

Arithmetic

- Continue to review material previously learned, continue to improve computation skills and master new concepts as introduced

Science

- Continue to explore new concepts and topics, including methods, terms and discoveries
- Continue to read a variety of books on scientific topics and scientists

Social Studies

- Continue study of early American and Pa history as well as different time periods of world history, current events and civics, other cultures, including customs and history and geography

Phys Ed/ Health/ Safety

- Incorporate exercise into regular activity, study nutrition, fire safety, health and wellness

Art/Music

- Continued exposure to various types of music, composers, artists and various media.

Educational Objectives (Secondary)

Student _____

Academic Year _____

English

- Study and use of language to communicate.
- Read various genres of literature.
- Exposure to speech and composition.

Arithmetic

- Continue to review general mathematics.
- Continue to improve computation skills and master new concepts as introduced, including algebra.
- Continue to emphasize application of mathematical concepts in real life.

Science

- Continue to explore new concepts and topics, including methods, terms and discoveries.
- Continue to read a variety of books on scientific topics and scientists.
- Continue to encourage learning about nature.
- Emphasize sustainability and conservation.

Social Studies

- Continue study of early American and Pa history as well as different time periods of world history.
- Continued exposure to current events and civics.
- Continued study of other cultures, including customs and history.
- Continue study of geography.

Phys Ed/ Health/ Safety

- Incorporate exercise into regular activity.
- Continue to emphasize the importance of nutrition, fire safety, health and wellness.

Art/Music

- Continued exposure to various types of music, composers, artists and various media.