

NY Requirements, Defined

LETTER OF INTENT (LOI)

Annual announcement that this learner is starting or restarting homeschool. Email letterofintent@schools.nyc.gov

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INDIVIDUALIZED HOME INSTRUCTION PLAN (IHIP)

Study plan or curriculum for the year ahead, divided by subject and complying to state regulations (see 100.10)



QUARTERLY REPORTS

Include name, <u>hours</u> of instruction, a <u>description</u> of the material covered in each subject, and a <u>grade or narrative</u> evaluation in each subject. Include an explanation of any changes in study plan.



ANNUAL ASSESSMENT

Assess and demonstrate learner progress!
An NYS-approved standardized exam is required for Grades 9-12. Written
Narratives are an option for a few other grades.



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NY Annual Requirements Timeline



LETTER OF INTENT (LOI)

July 1st, 2023 or within 14 days of starting homeschool



INDIVIDUALIZED HOME INSTRUCTION PLAN (IHIP)

August 15, 2023 or within 28 days of submitting LOI*



QUARTERLY REPORTS

Submit in evenly spaced periods.

Suggested Due Dates:

November 15, 2023

January 31, 2024

April 15, 2024

June 30, 2024



ANNUAL ASSESSMENT

June 30, 2024 Written Narrative or Standardized Exam



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NY High School Specifics

- · Patriotism and citizenship
- About substance abuse
- · Traffic safety (including bike safety)
- · Fire safety

And at least once before grade 9

· US and New York history and constitutions

- Mathematics (2 credits)
- English (4 credits)
- Social studies, including American history, participation in government, and economics (4 credits)
- Science (2 credits)
- Art or music (1 credit)
- Health (½ credit)
- Physical education (2 credits)
- Electives (3 credits)

NOTE: 1 credit is equal to 108 hours of education.

hslda.org/post/how-to-comply-with-new-yorks-homeschool-law





Suggestions

LISTEN TO LEARNER FIRST

First, the learner studies about what they care about.

Then, parents and/or learner match for state standards.

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UNDERSTAND REGULATIONS

Learn about the New York State 100.10 Regulations for every grade.

Know your district's requirements around submission of required documents. For example, NYC.



STAY CONNECTED

Find resources in your community, online, and through personal networks.

Look for classes, opportunities, internships, play groups, learning pods.

Don't try this alone!



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Resources

TOOLS

Student Agency Resources

Define Yourself: A Little Girl's Guide to Self-Determination

Handwriting Workbook of Affirmations for Young People

PLACES

Wendy's Classes | Group Classes (Online & in-person)

<u>Different Directions</u> | Community (online & on-site)

<u>Brooklyn Apple Academy</u> | Experiential (in-person)

<u>Off Da Beaten Path Learning</u> | 1-on-1 (Online & hybrid)

PEOPLE

<u>Honey I'm Homeschooling The Kids (</u>Podcast)

<u>Homeschool Yo Kids & Podcast</u>

<u>LiberatED with Kerry McDonald (YouTube)</u>

IMPORTANT WEBSITES

Part 100.10 New York State Homeschool Regulations
New York City Office of Homeschooling
Homeschool Legal Defense Association New York
NYS Home Instruction with Special Education



Resources

BOOKS

- Peter Gray "Free to Learn" Gray, P. (2013). Free to learn: Why unleashing the instinct to play will make our children happier, more self-reliant, and better students for life. Basic Books.
- John Holt "How Children Learn" Holt, J. (1967). How children learn. Penguin Books.
- John Taylor Gatto "Dumbing Us Down" Gatto, J. T. (2002). Dumbing us down: The hidden curriculum of compulsory schooling. New Society Publishers.
- Akilah Richards "Raising Free People" Richards, A. (2020).
 Raising free people: Unschooling as liberation and healing work. North Atlantic Books.

