

## Utah Homeschooling Laws: 2025 FAQ for Parents

- **What is Homeschooling?** Homeschooling means teaching your child at home instead of sending them to a public or private school. In Utah, parents have the right to homeschool their children.
- **Who do you need to notify to start?** To begin homeschooling, you need to notify your local school district of residence stating that you intend to homeschool your child. You only need to do this once, not every year.
- **Are parents still required to go through a background check?** As of May 7, 2025, due to House Bill 209, parents are no longer required to give their criminal background when notifying the school district that they will homeschool.
- **Do parents have to follow a particular curriculum?** Utah does not require homeschooling parents to follow a specific curriculum. You can pick the subjects and learning materials that work best for your child.
- **What are the requirements for days and hours of instruction of a home-schooled student?** A local school board may not require a parent of the home schooled minor to maintain records of instruction or attendance.
- **What is the responsibility of the school district for curriculum, assessment, selection of materials, evaluation of home school instruction, or designating the time and place of instruction?** The district has no authority or responsibility relative to any of the above. The curriculum, assessment, selection of home school instruction, and the time and place of instruction are all the sole responsibility of the parent/guardian.
- **May the school or district make textbooks, assessments, resource materials available to home school parents?** Yes, at the school's/district's discretion.