



North East School Division – Homeschool Policy

Registration



Registrations will be accepted between August 15 – September 15 of each year.

** A family may still register for homeschooling outside of these dates, but no money will be paid out.*

Registrations must include

1. **Notice of Intent and Registration of a Home Based Education Program form**
2. **Educational Plan: (one for each child)**
 - o The Educational Plan must include:
 1. The reason for and philosophical approach to home schooling.
 2. A minimum of 3 annual goals in each area of study: Language Arts, Mathematics, Science & Social Studies.
 3. The means of assessing and recording the educational progress of each broad annual goal to be included in the annual progress report.

How to write an Educational Plan

The purpose of the written educational plan is for parents to demonstrate that they have a positive and constructive approach to the education of their children before beginning their home-based education program.

If you require assistance, our Home-Based Education Monitor is available to provide educational consultation to home-based educators as you prepare your written education plan. Also see instruction sheet provided below.

Registration Submission Options

- a) Scan/email to homeschool@nesd.ca (must be clear & legible)
- b) Mail to: NESD, Box 6000, Melfort, SK S0E 1A0 (Attention: Triki Zenner)
- c) Drop of at 402 Main Street, Melfort
- d) Fax to 306-752-1933

Important Dates and Deadlines	
Please note the new EARLY Registration Deadline	
June 15 (or next business day)	Year-end reporting is due
August 16 (or next business day)	Year-end cheques will be mailed/deposited
September 15 (or next business day)	Registrations due today by 4:30 p.m. NO EXCEPTIONS



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Remuneration

- **Being registered by September 15 (including all education plan details) ensures you will receive remuneration upon approval of your educational plans.**
- Remuneration is \$750.00/child per year
 - \$600/child paid out no later than **November 15** (provided registration was submitted by September 15).
 - \$150/child paid out no later than **August 15** (upon receipt of year-end report).
- Kindergarten is \$375/child for the year. The child **must be 5 years old by December 31** to enroll.
- If the child is enrolled in online classes (gr. 10-12) no money is paid out.
- If your family chooses not to accept remuneration, please email/phone Triki and indicate that this is your preference.
- You are encouraged to fill out the EFT form for electronic deposit. Please return this with your registration forms (one time only).



Textbooks & Resources

- You are welcome to set up borrowing privileges at your nearest school library and borrow books from there.
- For all ***textbook inquiries***, please contact Perry or Triki at the phone/email address listed below. Textbooks are available for loan, dependent upon division availability.
- **We are happy to be able to offer you an E-text subscription at no cost for K to Gr. 9:** Pearson School e-text is an easy-to-use database of content available to you anytime and anywhere that you have internet access. Students and parents log in using unique information to access all of their content.
 - You would receive an e-text for each subject available through Pearson at whichever grade level(s) you need. Your subscription would begin in September and end in August.
 - If your family would be interested in receiving an annual subscription to e-texts offered by the Canadian Pearson textbook company, please contact Connie **in June** to sign up for the following year.

Curriculum

- Saskatchewan Curriculum are available to view on the **Saskatchewan Curriculum website** at <https://www.edonline.sk.ca/webapps/moe-curriculum-BBLEARN/>
- **Curriculum Corner** on the North East School Division website is another resource for curriculum related documents & materials. You can find it at <http://curriculum.nesd.ca/Pages/default.aspx>



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Driver Training

- All 15 year olds are eligible for Driver Training offered by the North East School Division. Please contact your nearest high school for details and dates of courses and to sign up.

High School Credit Opportunities - Transcript of Secondary Level Achievement

If your child is entering into grade 10 and you wish them to get provincially recognized credits for their classes, they will need to either enter the regular school system or take the courses on-line. This ensures that they have an academic standing when applying for post-secondary schooling.

- Students wanting to obtain high school credits through a home-based education program can enroll through the North East School Division Online School.
- Home-based students interested in courses offered at NESD should contact Perry Mamer or Triki Zenner. There is no cost to register in an online course, **but there will be no annual Home-based remuneration.**
- Online classes are offered on a continuous intake basis. Students are allowed no more than two (2) classes at a time.

Secondary Education Credit Policy in Saskatchewan

Credit Requirements for Grade 10, 11 and 12			
Program	Credits		
	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Compulsory Courses of Study			
English Language Arts	2	1	2
Mathematics	1	1	
Science	1	1 at either a 20 or 30 level	
Social Science	1	1 at either a 20 or 30 level	
Canadian Studies			1
Specific Areas of Study	Grade 10	Grade 11 or 12	
Health Education/Physical Education	1 at a 10, 20 or 30 level		
Arts Education/Practical and Applied Arts	2 at a 10, 20 or 30 level		
Electives	3	6	
Grade Standing	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
24 Credits in total to graduate	Minimum of 8 credits	Minimum of 16 credits must be attained	Minimum 5 at 30 level

Online Information

You can find more information on Homeschooling here:

SK Ministry of Education: <https://www.saskatchewan.ca/residents/education-and-learning/prek-12-education-early-learning-and-schools/home-schooling>

SK Home Based Educators: <http://www.shbe.info/>



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Contact the Homeschool Monitor for the following inquires

- **Assessments.** If you feel your child requires a professional assessment, you must contact Perry to evaluate the need.
- **Once your child enters grade 9,** you should contact Perry to discuss future educational plans and programming in regard to high school credit options.
- **Challenging a Ministry of Education Departmental Exam.**
In exceptional circumstances, permission may be granted to home-based students to challenge departmental exams at an earlier age (minimum 15 years of age). An official from the school division in which the home-based student is registered must send a letter of request to the Office of the Registrar. The letter of request acknowledges the student has covered the course material.
- **Extra-Curricular/classroom options.** Though your family has chosen to homeschool, your child is still permitted to join the schools for extracurricular activities (ex: sports teams), some classes (ex: phys ed, band, etc.). If this is of interest to your family, please call to discuss.

Year End

Year-end reports are due on or before **June 15** of each year. **Work received after this date will not be eligible for payment.**

- Summarizing student progress and providing samples of student work is required at the end of the academic year as part of the partnership between the North East School Division and families who choose to provide Home based Education. This expectation is outlined in the Ministry of Education documents.
- Payment of year-end funds will be **issued no later than August 15.**
- The following should be submitted to the division office as a year-end report:
 - A report of progress in each area of study along with any test results.
 - The periodic log that records educational experiences completed by the home-based learner.
 - Minimal samples of student work from each area of study, one from the beginning of the year and one from near the end. The intent of these samples is to show growth in learning.

** Please ensure any student work submitted is a copy only. We keep files at the office for our records. Submissions will not be returned.*

Contact Us

Perry Mamer—Homeschool Monitor
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