

Pursuant to Georgia law (O.C.G.A. § 20-2-690), the following are requirements for home study programs:

Effective July 1, 2012, parents or guardians who wish to teach their children at home in a home study program must annually submit to the Georgia Department of Education a Declaration of Intent to Utilize a Home Study Program by September 1 or within 30 days after a program is established. The Georgia Department of Education will provide for electronic submittal of the Declaration of Intent. Please see the information below on how to submit the Declaration of Intent and the attendance reports.

The declaration must include the names and ages of the students, the address where the program is located, and the dates of the school year.

Parents or guardians may teach only their own children in the home study program provided the teaching parent or guardian possesses at least a high school diploma or a general equivalency diploma (GED). Parents or guardians may also employ a tutor who holds at least a high school diploma or a GED to teach such children.

The home study program must include, but is not limited to, instruction in reading, language arts, mathematics, social studies, and science.

The school year must include the equivalent of 180 days of at least 4-1/2 hours of instruction per day unless the child is physically unable to comply with this requirement.

As of July 1, 2013, you are no longer required to submit attendance to the Georgia Department of Education. For driving permits or licenses all that is needed is the Declaration of Intent with a 36 character parent signature. This document replaces the Certificate of Attendance and should be submitted with all other Driver Service's required documents to obtain a driving permit or license.

Students in home study programs shall be subject to an appropriate nationally standardized testing program administered in consultation with a person trained in the administration and interpretation of norm referenced tests. The student must be evaluated at least every three years beginning at the end of the third grade. Records of such tests shall be retained.

The instructor shall write an annual progress assessment report in each required subject area for each student. These reports shall be retained for at least three years.

- See more at: <http://www.gadoe.org/curriculum-instruction-and-assessment/pages/home-schools.aspx#sthash.8NLC3GZm.dpuf>

Save Time and submit the Declaration of Intent online inshaAllah

<https://www.gadoe.org/Curriculum-Instruction-and-Assessment/Pages/Home-Study-DOI.aspx>