

To: Parent(s), Guardian(s), or Caregiver(s)
From: Dr. Tom A. Edwards, Assistant Superintendent
Subject: Home-Based Instruction (Homeschooling)

If you live in the Fife School District and wish to homeschool your child(ren), the required information for the Intent to Provide Home-Based Instruction Form (attached) must be filed within two weeks of the beginning of any school quarter/semester every year. The State requires a listing of your child(ren)'s names and birth dates. We would appreciate it if you would also list the **last school attended, the last grade completed, and the current grade** in the spaces provided.

In addition to the intent statement, you may choose to complete the optional information on the backside of the intent. This will give us a better idea of your plans and ways we might work with you. For example, if needed instructional materials are sometimes available for loan (a deposit may be required), and it is our practice to offer to participate in our regularly scheduled, standardized testing program. It may also be possible to put your name on the school newsletter mailing list if you wish to be included.

If your child(ren) should transfer into the public schools, the district has the authority to "determine the appropriate grade and course level placement of the student after consultation with the parent and a review of the student's records." If you anticipate that your child may switch from being homeschooled to Fife Public Schools, we advise you to consult the building principal/counselor before homeschooling, to determine what records would be needed and how placement would be made. Please note, that the Fife School District has no obligation to accept credits earned outside the school district. **We suggest coursework be approved before attempting and MUST be submitted before re-entering the school district if requesting credit.**

If you would like a greater explanation and frequently asked questions about home-based instruction please call 360-725-6233 or click the following links:

- [Home-Based Instruction](#)
- <https://ospi.k12.wa.us/sites/default/files/2023-08/pinkbook.pdf>
- https://www.sbe.wa.gov/faqs/home_instruction

Washington State Fair tickets will be available for pick up at the receptionist desk in the Administration Building during the first week of September. Each family may receive one adult ticket and one ticket per student for whom an Intent to Provide Home-Based Instruction Form has been filed.

We encourage families to connect with home-school organizations for support and guidance tailored to your unique needs.

We hope this will be a good year for you and your family and that your homeschooling goes well.

_____ School year

REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR INTENT TO PROVIDE HOME-BASED INSTRUCTION

I do hereby declare that I am the parent, guardian, or legal custodian of the child(ren) listed below; and that said child(ren) is/are between the ages of eight and eighteen and as such are subject to the requirements found in Chapter 28A.27 RCW, Compulsory Attendance; I intend to cause said child(ren) to receive home-based instruction as specified in RCW 28A.27.010(4); and if a certificated person will be supervising the instruction, I have indicated this by checking the appropriate space.

The home-based instruction will be supervised by a person certificated in Washington State pursuant to Chapter 28A.70 RCW.

Note: If the student is planning on receiving credit (grades 9 – 12) toward graduation, please review your program with a high school counselor prior to homeschooling.

| Student Full Name | Birthdate | Last School Attended | Grade Completed | Current Grade |
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Parent / Guardian / Caregiver Signature Date

Parent / Guardian / Caregiver Name Phone

Street Address City State Zip

Return to: Dr. Tom Edwards - Assistant Superintendent
Fife School District #417
1720 Oak Street
Milton, WA 98354

Date Received _____

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Fife School District Use Only

TO PARENT/GUARDIAN/CAREGIVER: If you indicate that you are interested in some or all of the potential services (listed below), we will send a copy of this form to the principal of the school where your child(ren) would have attended were he/she/ enrolled this year. To discuss/arrange for any of the services you have requested, please call the principal or school secretary directly.

OPTIONAL INFORMATION FOR HOME-BASED INSTRUCTION

FOR: _____
Names of Students

I am currently planning to homeschool my child(ren) from: _____ **to** _____

I *(do)* *(do not)* grant permission for Fife School District to list my ***name, home address and phone number*** on a register of other homeschooling parents within Fife School District for the purpose of possibly starting a support group or coop?
(Please Initial) _____

POTENTIAL SERVICES

- Loan of instructional materials, if available. *A deposit may be required.*
- Beginning at 3rd Grade: Smarter Balanced Assessment (SBAC)
Grades 5, 8, & 11: Science
- School newsletter mailings
- Other (please list):

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| Building Principals: | Discovery Primary School: | Alisha Maulding | 253-517-1200 |
| | Fife Elementary School: | Amy Mittelstaedt | 253-517-1400 |
| | Hedden Elementary School: | Don Sims | 253-517-1500 |
| | Surprise Lake Middle School: | Mark Beddes | 253-517-1300 |
| | Columbia Jr. High School: | Chris Lezcano | 253-517-1600 |
| | Fife High School: | Paige Carroll | 253-517-1100 |