

Lighthouse Christian Academy Home Education Program

Most Frequently Asked Questions:

- What is a home education program?

In this program parents choose the outcomes/curriculum/resources/teaching methods/evaluation for their child's program. This program may or may not follow the Alberta Education Program of studies. Please note that upon request a teacher is available to help with program planning. (Your home education facilitator is available to help throughout the year)

The definition of traditional home schooling according to Alberta Education is “a parent-directed approach to educating a student in Grades 1 to 12 at home or elsewhere in which they are responsible for making all education decisions. Parents choose curriculum resources and methodology consistent with their family’s beliefs and consistent with the Home Education Regulation”.

- Do you have a list of recommended programs for parents to look at?

A resource list with suggested curriculum/resources is available upon request for parents to look at, and a teacher is available to give direction/input if requested. Many wonderful educational opportunities occur in the home through excellent literature and interest directed studies.

- Do I need to let the school know which resources I will be implementing into our program(s)?

A program plan is required for each student with all the resources/activities that your child(ren) will be working in or participating in. These program plans are given to you as part of the registration process. Help to fill these out will be provided by your facilitator/teacher if needed. These forms are to be submitted by September 30th.

- Is there funding available for this program?

\$850.00/student is available for home education. All original receipts must be submitted with a LCA Reimbursement Form which can be found on our website under Home Education Documents.

- Are there guidelines explaining what the funding may be spent on?

There is a home education government document that is followed providing general guidelines for what funding may be spent on. This is available on the Lighthouse Christian Academy website under the Home Education tab. Everything purchased for a home education program must be on the program plans.

- When can receipts and a reimbursement form be submitted? What is the process for submitting?

Funding will be received after September 30th. Parents may start submitting original receipts/forms after that. Receipts can be submitted via mail, drop off at the LCA office or give to your facilitator. Deadline for receipt submission is June 30th.

- Will there be home visits?

A minimum of two in-home visits will be conducted during the school year. These visits provide opportunity for celebration of student achievement, assessment of work, time for questions and concerns to be addressed

- Will my child receive a report card?

Two formal assessments will be written and sent to parents. These assessments will be completed after each home visit. Prior to each visit, a celebrate learning document is to be completed at minimum 48 hours prior to each visit. This document will be sent out to families by their facilitator.

