

Homeschooling Law Resource Guide – Released by the Education Law Association

DAYTON, Ohio, December 4, 2008 / PR Newswire – *The Law of Homeschooling* is a resource guide that provides information on recent updates to homeschool statutory and regulatory requirements for all fifty states as well as Washington D.C. This publication takes an in-depth look at each state's legal requirements under which parents may provide a home-based education to their children.

Confusion over homeschooling law exists within a vast realm of subject areas. This resource guide answers those questions. The publication is intended to be used by parents, students, homeschool advocates, and public school officials to do what is in the best interests of the children: to ensure that each child receives an appropriate education within the context and scope of the law.

A range of topics addressed within this guide include attendance, athletics, testing and placement, class rank, regulation of teachers and tutors, special education, and academic progress. The publication's chapters are: *Introduction to Homeschooling*, *Historical Overview of Homeschooling*, *State Statutes and Regulations Governing Homeschools*, *Public School Systems and Homeschool Students*, and *Special Education and Homeschools*. Also contained is a discussion of state and federal requirements on homeschool funding and services for children with disabilities.

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