

## Frequently Asked Questions About... Grade 1-8 Homeschooling

- 1. Who do I contact in regard to homeschooling?**

Your first contact is the Homeschooling office at 1-800-282-8069 Ext. 8138. The Homeschooling office will provide you with the program options available to Manitoba homeschoolers. If a Provincial Curriculum Aligned (PCA) program is determined please visit the Distance Learning Unit website.  
<http://www.edu.gov.mb.ca/k12/dl/iso/my/index.html>
- 2. In what grade level do I place my child?**

You determine the grade level enrollment according to the last recorded progress at the school your child previously attended and/or your child's interest/ability. The homeschooling office contact person may be able to assist you in determining an appropriate grade level for your child.
- 3. What curriculum-congruent learning materials can I order to homeschool my child?**

**Option 1 - LRC:** Order courses directly from the Learning Resource Centre (LRC) in Alberta after registering with the Manitoba Homeschooling Office. The LRC provides print based curriculum based distance learning programming. Please be advised that answer keys and marking support are not available with these resources. This is a recommended list of [Grades 1-8 Distance Learning Materials](#) that has been provided by the LRC. Ordering information is available by Email: [lrccustserv@gov.ab.ca](mailto:lrccustserv@gov.ab.ca) or phone: 780-427-5775 (select Option 1)

**Option 2 - ADLC:** Order courses directly from the Alberta Distance Learning Centre (ADLC) after registering with the Manitoba Homeschooling Office. The ADLC provides print based or online curriculum based distance learning programming with marking and learning support provided by teachers. Registrations forms, student handbook and refund policy information is available at the [ADLC website](#). For help with your registration difficulties or you need more information, email [registrations@adlc.ca](mailto:registrations@adlc.ca), or phone 780-674-5333 ext. 5360 or toll-free 1-866-774-5333 ext. 5360.
- 4. How many courses can I order at one time?**

Homeschoolers are required to create a program which includes all four core subject areas (English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies). These purchases may be staggered, but parents are encouraged to make program purchases as soon as possible.

5. **Will the ALC and ADLC assist me in what to order?**

As a homeschooling parent/caregiver, you make decisions regarding programming and materials to meet your child's learning needs. Alberta does not provide course material recommendations or counseling.

6. **Who will assess my child's progress?**

As a homeschooling parent/caregiver, you are responsible for all programming, instruction and evaluation. Forward the January and June report forms as required by the Manitoba Homeschooling office. Please contact the Homeschooling office for details: 1-800-282-8069 Ext. 8138.

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7. **Where do I send my work to be marked?**

**Option 1 – LRC:** Often the Alberta course material will refer to your “marker” or state that you should forward the work to be assessed. These references are intended for Alberta students taking these courses, who are Alberta residents. You are using Alberta materials to support your role and responsibilities as a Manitoba homeschooler, therefore the references to the “marker” do not apply. Manitoba homeschooling parents/caregivers are responsible for the assessment and evaluation process. Some parents/caregivers may use the services of private tutors.

**Option 2 – ADLC:** The Alberta Distance Learning Centre will outline the process for submitting work for marking. Students and parents will have access to view the student's grades online. Parent and students will be provided with a web based user ID and password to access this information.

8. **Where do I order grade 9 -12 curriculum based course materials?**

Students can register in courses offered by the Independent Study Option (ISO). The ISO provides the opportunity and flexibility for non attending, school-age students to access a wide range of independent study distance learning courses from grades 9 to 12. Learners complete courses independently and at their own pace while having some access to a tutor/marker via email or phone. The Distance Learning Unit issues the credit to distance learners who successfully complete an ISO course. Grade 9 to 12 courses are available to complete the requirements towards a Senior Years Diploma, Mature Student Diploma or post-secondary admission. Contact the Distance Learning Unit by calling 1-800-465-9916.