

Workbook: The Art of Planning – A Homeschooler’s Guide

Your plan will be as unique as your homeschool.

There is no one right way to do this!

Checklist

- I have a good idea how my child learns (accesses & processes information)
- I have a good idea of my child’s academic readiness by subject
 - If no to either of these make notes about what you need to figure out, preferably before choosing curriculum

Step 1: Define Priorities & Non-Negotiables

List your top 3 homeschool priorities. These can be academic, creative, social, personal.

1.

2.

3.

What do I want my child to experience daily?

What are your non-negotiables? For example: Learning outcomes, outdoor time, unit studies, project-based learning, decolonized history

Step 2: Designing Your Year

Choose Your Yearly Structure:

- Traditional School Year
- Year-Round Homeschooling
- Flexible/Thematic Approach

Step 3: Subjects or Themes

Subjects this Year

Teaching Method?

Top Learning Goals this Year:

Does your plan reflect your priorities and account for your non-negotiables?

Step 4: Learning Skills

Metacognition

Executive Functioning Skills (Choose no more than 1-2)

Self-Regulation

Learning Modalities My Child Uses Comfortably

- Reading & Writing
- Kinesthetic & Tactile
- Visual
- Auditory

Notes about how to use these to benefit learning:

Step 5: How Subjects Relate to Each Other

Step 6: Curriculum

List the Curriculum You Plan to Use. Put a checkmark by the subjects you know this for.

Step 7: Choose a Type of Schedule

- Traditional/Daily
- Block Scheduling
- Core Daily + Enrichment Rotation
- Focus Days/Deep Dive Days

Step 8: Weekly & Daily Planning

Weekly Planner Template:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	WEEKENDS

DO NOT FORGET YOUR NON-NEGOTIABLES & THINGS YOU REGULARLY DO OUTSIDE OF YOUR HOME!

Special Scheduling Considerations:

Step 9: Preparing for Flexibility & Challenges

Identify 3 Potential Disruptions: List possible roadblocks to your homeschool plan (illness, motivation, schedule changes).

Step 10: Setting Goals & Measuring Progress

How Will You Track Learning?

- Portfolios
- Journals
- Checklists
- Projects
- Grades

Plan for Saving Work Samples.

Space to jot down questions, ideas, or next steps.