

Homeschooling Procedures and Guidelines Manual

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A [new Homeschooling Procedures and Guidelines Manual](#) is now available. The Manual supplements the existing [Homeschooling Policy](#) and summarizes requirements and optional better practices and will help to support homeschoolers and the schools that register them.

Please be advised that the version posted today is an interim document and that a final, graphic designed version of the document will be posted by September 10, 2021.

The Manual's intended audience is home educators, homeschoolers, school system administrators, child welfare workers and community partners. The Manual will help increase consistency across school districts and independent schools and will make it easier for home educators and school administrators to understand their roles and responsibilities.

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A draft of the Manual was posted on the Ministry of Education's website for public review in the spring of 2021. Feedback was reviewed and considered by the working group, resulting in revisions to the posted document.

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