

# What is the Best Education Plan for your Children?

## Guidelines:

1. Make this a playful exercise of imagination just for fun.
2. Do not judge your child's answers at all.
3. Help encourage them to expand on the ideas.
4. Write down the details to be able to refer to later.

## Questions to ask your child:

1. If you could create your perfect day of learning, what would it look like?
2. How do you feel about the school you attend (or about being educated at home)?
3. If you could change anything about it, what would it be?
4. What subjects interest you that you aren't learning about in school?
5. How would you like more freedom to have time to try things you want to try?

## Questions to ask yourself

1. Does my child plan on a path that requires a diploma or GED (ex. Certain trade schools)?  
Colleges have become very accepting of homeschoolers without one. They look at portfolios of experiences and a homeschool transcript.
2. What options are available to our family?
3. What experience do you think best meets your child's needs?

## Discussion Time

1. Discuss with your child the options available and ask what they think of trying that?
2. If it's a decision to give your child a lot of latitude, what kind of commitment are they willing to make to gain greater freedom and show how they will be accountable for their education?
3. How will they measure their own success and show themselves that they can do it?

This is not so parents become task masters. This is so youth establish their own lines in the sand that will help them prove to themselves that they are capable of using their agency to learn. It may take weeks or months of exploration that you consider unproductive to deprogram a regular school routine and to allow them to figure out how to use their new freedom. Be patient and encouraging while they transition.