

homeschooling curriculum start

this is a starting point to give you some ideas only! there are many exceptions to these categories and crossovers between them.

do you prefer to use a complete "plug and play" curriculum or select a different curriculum for each subject?

I'll select each individual curriculum item and write the lesson plans

plug and play, baby

Great! There are many excellent options to choose from. Decide first which subjects you will teach, then go through a selection process for each subject. Homeschool Diner.com is a great resource

This is a good option for parents who will be swapping primary teaching duties throughout the year, or parents with busy schedules.

much of the available curriculum is written from a Christian perspective but there are many out there that simply teach content. You'll have to go through each and decide.

Consider: K-12, get curriculum free from your public school district (state dependent)

are you looking for a curriculum that will incorporate your worldview?

yes, but not Christian

yes, Christian

not really

from here there are some distinct classifications to look at.

Strong evangelical Christian bent

Consider: Bob Jones, aBeka, Rod and Staff

classical approach incorporating Greek, Latin, and the Great Books

Consider: Memoria Press, Veritas Press, read The Well-Trained Mind, google "classical homeschooling curriculum"

history-based approach

Consider: Sonlight, Tapestry of Grace

other Christian boxed curriculum

Consider: Calvert,

literature-based approach

Consider: Five in a Row, Great Books Academy

ok, you can certainly overlay your own ideologies or point out differences as you come across them.

Consider: Sonlight, eclectic approach, K-12

do you want to let the children learn from nature in a more unstructured curriculum or are you a person who thrives on structure (this is about you, not the kids. If you hate the method, it won't work in your homeschool.)

I crave structure.

school is everywhere!

sounds good! you may want to switch to more structure by grade 7, or at least re-assess, especially if they are college bound.

Consider: Charlotte Mason approach, some unit study approaches, Konos, My Father's World, or find your own path using library books, google "unschooling", "Charlotte Mason"

crossover areas