



Registration Information

Our Mission

The mission of HOME as a support ministry of Arlington Baptist Church & School is to assist parents who are seeking to train their children in the wisdom of God through home education, by providing oversight, accountability, assistance, and encouragement.

Our History

Home Oversight Ministry in Education (HOME) is a support ministry of Arlington Baptist Church & School for parents who have chosen to homeschool their children. Since 1994, Arlington Baptist Church has extended its ministry to include homeschooling families seeking to train their children in the wisdom of God. The HOME Umbrella Program has supported about a thousand families from various Bible-believing churches and is continuing to add new families each year.

Arlington Baptist School's HOME Umbrella Program is approved and registered with the Maryland State Department of Education to supervise home instruction. The HOME Umbrella Program covers the entire state of Maryland, twenty-three counties and Baltimore City.

Our Purpose

The purpose of HOME is to provide a Christ-centered ministry to assist homeschooling families in the following areas:

- Legal oversight
- Counseling and support
- Record keeping
- Testing services
- Sports and extracurricular activities
- High School Diploma Program
- High school graduation ceremony and activities
- Academic support through enrollment in Arlington Baptist School classes

Arlington Baptist School

HOME reflects the values and mission of Arlington Baptist School and offers a way for homeschooling students to participate in the Arlington Baptist School community by taking a class or two, attending chapel, or participating on sports teams and in extracurricular activities.



HOME Umbrella Program BENEFITS

LEGAL OVERSIGHT

- Approved and registered to supervise home instruction
- Covering the entire state of Maryland
- Bi-annual portfolio reviews
- Annual verification provided to the DOE

COUNSELING & SUPPORT

- Curriculum help
- Parent support
- Guidance/college prep counseling
- Opportunities for socialization
- Record Keeping
- Counselor authorization for dual enrollment

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA PROGRAM

- Accredited high school diploma
- General or college preparatory track
- Academic review conferences
- High school transcript service
- Counselor authorization for dual enrollment
- Letters of recommendation

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION CEREMONY & ACTIVITIES

- Traditional commencement exercises
- School rings
- Senior portraits
- Junior/Senior Banquet
- Senior Luncheon and Awards Ceremony

TESTING SERVICES

- Standardized testing
- PSAT
- Military/vocational testing: ASVAB (as available)

TUTORIAL PROGRAM

- Enrollment in Arlington Baptist School classes

SPORTS

- Participation on Arlington Baptist School sports teams: middle school (5th-8th grades) and high school teams (9th-12th grades)
- Girls: volleyball (fall), basketball (winter), soccer (spring)
- Boys: soccer (fall), basketball (winter), baseball (spring)
- Sports camps/clinics (as available)

MUSIC (TBD)

- Band (beginners and experienced)
- Private instrumental (including piano and guitar) lessons
- Choir or ensembles
- Hand bells
- Fine Arts Competitions

CHAPEL

- Middle/high school students (5th-12th grades)

CLUBS

- Participation in Arlington Baptist School clubs and extracurricular activities as available

NETWORKS

- Membership discount to MACHE (Maryland Association of Christian Home Educators)
- Membership discount to HSLDA (Home School Legal Defense Association)

Requirements for Enrollment

To remain enrolled in the HOME Umbrella Program, families are required to:

- Verify annually to the HOME director the family's intent to remain in the umbrella program.
- Notify the HOME director if the family moves, stops homeschooling, or switches from one homeschool option to another.
- Submit completed registration forms annually by the posted due date.
- Submit payment for HOME registration fees annually by the posted due date.
- Maintain current organized records (refer to required records section below).
- Meet twice yearly for a portfolio review with the HOME director to verify compliance with Maryland Home Instruction law (COMAR §13A.10.01.05).
- Provide instruction in a Bible course to students enrolled in the HOME program.

Required Student Records

All HOME families are required to maintain the following student records to verify compliance with Maryland Home Instruction regulations:

- Grade book
- Daily lesson plans
- Attendance record
- Work samples/assessments for each academic subject
- Instructional materials list (textbooks/books, lesson materials/curriculum)

HOME families of high school students seeking to graduate with an Arlington Baptist School HOME diploma under the High School Diploma Program are required to provide the following additional student records for grades 9th-12th:

- Report card/transcript
- Graded semester exams
- Graded research paper (10th-12th)
- Community service log

Registration Process

1. Review the Arlington Baptist School HOME Umbrella Program Handbook.
2. Interview with the HOME director.
3. Submit the completed registration forms on the HOME website (Student Registration, Student Academic Profile, Statement of Faith, Financial Commitment, and Student Conduct).
4. Submit payment to the Business Office, 410-655-9300 ext. 126.
5. Wait for an acceptance email to be sent after the interview, once registration forms have been submitted and payment has been posted to your account.
6. Submit a homeschooling Notification Form to your city/county education agency (forms are on the local education agency website. A link has been provided, <https://www.marylandpublicschools.org/about/Pages/School-Systems/index.aspx>).
7. Provide homeschool transcripts OR fill out a Records Request Form if transferring from another school (for students in grades 9th-12th desiring to graduate with an Arlington Baptist School HOME diploma under the High School Diploma Program).

Registration Fees

All registration fees are paid annually to the business office, Monday through Thursday, from 8:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m (410-655-9300 ext. 126). Payment may be made in the form of cash, cashier's check, money order, or credit card. The annual family registration fee is a non-refundable fee for the academic year and is based on the grade of the oldest student to be enrolled in HOME. The fee is due with the registration application. This fee includes oversight of the homeschool program, educational guidance, student testing, and other benefits. An additional \$100 processing fee is assessed to families registering after July 31 of the current academic year. For new students, a one-time transcript fee will be assessed as follows: 10th grade \$115, 11th grade \$230, 12th grade \$345.

K-8th Grade	9th-11th Grade	12th Grade
\$490 per family	\$540 per family	\$640 per family*

**A high school graduation fee of \$100 is included in registration for 12th grade. This includes cap, gown, tassel, transcripts, awards, diploma, and case.*