

Florida Homeschool Portfolio Checklist

Exactly what to keep for your annual evaluation (without saving everything!)

If you're homeschooling under Florida's Home Education Program, you'll need to maintain a portfolio throughout the year.

The good news? It doesn't have to be complicated.
Use this checklist to stay organized and confident all year long.

Required by Florida Law

- ☐ **A log of educational activities** (kept as you homeschool) that includes the titles of reading materials used.
- ☐ **Samples of your child's work**, such as writings, worksheets, workbook pages, or creative projects.

Recommended for a smooth portfolio evaluation

While Florida law doesn't specify how many work samples to keep, many certified evaluators recommend organizing your portfolio like this:

- ☐ A log of educational activities.
- ☐ A list of books and curriculum used.
- ☐ **3 dated work samples from 3 subjects:**
 - Beginning of the year
 - Middle of the year
 - End of the year

(Example: 3 math samples, 3 language arts samples, and 3 science samples = 9 total work samples.)



OPTIONAL additions

These aren't required, but they paint a wonderful picture of your child's learning.

- ☐ Photos of projects
- ☐ Artwork
- ☐ STEM builds
- ☐ Nature studies
- ☐ Field trip photos, brochures, or tickets
- ☐ Book reports or reading responses
- ☐ Narrations or dictation samples
- ☐ Handicrafts or sewing
- ☐ Music practice or performances
- ☐ Volunteer activities
- ☐ Sports, clubs, or extracurriculars
- ☐ Certificates or awards
- ☐ Writing samples





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Portfolio Tips

- ✓ Keep only a few representative samples each month, you don't need to save everything.
- ✓ Date your work samples whenever possible so you can show a beginning, middle, and end of year sample of progress.
- ✓ A simple binder, accordion folder, photos of samples, or digital folder works well.
- ✓ Your portfolio should reflect your child's learning journey, not perfection.

Before Your Evaluation

Use this quick checklist:

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| ☐ Learning log | ☐ Optional photos and projects are gathered |
| ☐ Reading list | ☐ Portfolio is ready to share with your evaluator |
| ☐ Work samples dated from 3 subjects | |

Don't forget: After your evaluation is completed, most evaluators will provide you with a signed evaluation form that you are responsible for submitting to your school district by your annual deadline. At The Empowered Parent, we take care of that final submission for you, giving you one less thing to remember during your homeschool year.

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