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## **CHECKLIST**

To start homeschooling, I recommend following the steps below:

- ☐ Find out what the legalities of homeschooling are in South Africa; consider joining the Pestalozzi Trust for your peace of mind.
  - Click here for info on how to register with the DBE for Home Education, info on the BELA Act and all the legal info you need to know.
- ☐ Join your local homeschool community, they usally connect on social media, like a WhatsApp group or Facebook groups. Join their extracurricular and social activities.
- ☐ Educate yourself on how to homeschool this is a process. Be kind to yourself, we all had to start with the first step. You are also learning a whole new skill-set.
- ☐ Find your homeschool philosophy & a neuro-affirming homeschool curriculum that fits your family. See my free online Homeschool Curriculum Directory for loads of options and inspiration.
- ☐ Look into the different school leaving certificates available: CAPS, NC(V), GED, American High School Diploma and Cambridge.
- ☐ Research the different <u>curricula</u> service providers and the different <u>matric pathways</u> available to homeschoolers in South Africa. See my recommended ND-affirming Curriculum options and how to build your curriculum.
- ☐ Be sure to consider your child's Learning Styles, Personality Profile & Career Profile.
- ☐ If you have a neurodivergent or special needs child find out how to best support their needs and what accommodations they will need to thrive. See Homeschooling a Gifted/2e Child and Homeschooling with Dyslexia.
- ☐ Calculate your homeschooling costs based on your budget. Your local library is a great resource for free living books and there are also great free online resources available for homeschoolers. The most expensive product isn't necessarily the best one. Join 2nd hand homeschool buy and sell groups.
- ☐ Plan your homeschool day and schedule but keep it flexible, child-centered and self-paced so that your curriculum fits your child, and not the other way around.
- ☐ Remember to include fun in your schedule like games, field trips, hands-on activities, art and crafts, music, and lots of unstructured indoor and outdoor free play.

♥ Click on the links in blue for more info

Homeschooling is a beautiful and gentle way to create an individualized, self-paced, asynchronous, child-centered, delight-directed, and rich learning environment that teach your child in the way that they learn.

Happy homeschooling! Hanlie





