

Loving Education At Home (LEAH) is a Christian organization whose members are like-minded home education support groups made up of affiliated families dedicated to observing the Biblical commands of Deuteronomy 6:4-10; Proverbs 22:6; and Ephesians 6:4. We are home educators from across the state who voluntarily unite for the purposes of encouragement, working together to promote and protect home education, and representation in the legislative process in New York State. LEAH is also the NYS contact for the National Center for Home Education (NCHE) for national legislative issues.

Affiliated families support the state-wide ministry through participation in civic hands-on education, the annual state convention, regional events and local activities such as field trips, mini-classes, clubs like 4-H, Spelling and Geography Bees, and providing encouragement and support for both veteran and new home educators. Networking is also promoted by connecting homeschoolers interested in various learning opportunities including state and national competitions.

Growth and support of local chapters is nurtured through leadership materials, meetings and training. A state-wide alert network helps communicate timely information on issues of concern to home educating families. Each autonomous chapter chooses its own activities and governing structure.

Locate your county on the list inside this brochure, and contact the Regional Rep for that area. These veteran home educators will assist you to connect with an existing LEAH Chapter or help you to start one in your area.



LOVING EDUCATION AT HOME

Web Page: www.leah.org

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COME JOIN US!
LEAH...



Loving Education At Home

A growing state wide network of home educators!

Over 3500 families in 130 chapters.

Providing support, encouragement, education and training.

Promoting and protecting home educational freedoms.

...and much more – look inside!

Benefits of joining the LEAH network:

Promoting and Protecting Home Education

- ◆ LEAH has name-recognition and a history of interfacing with the State Education Department and the Regents.
- ◆ Legislative voice in Albany and Washington representing Christian home-schoolers.
- ◆ State leaders have more clout when they say, “We represent over 3500 families across New York State!”
- ◆ Our state board attends national meetings to keep abreast of home-educating, parenting and educational issues around the country.
- ◆ LEAH Board coordinates vision and research projects to protect the future of home education in New York.
- ◆ Enjoy and find more useful information on the LEAH Web Page: www.leah.org
- ◆ Receive fast-breaking communications regarding alerts and action items of home-schooling import.
- ◆ Quarterly statewide newsletter with New York events, sites, news, reviews, and legislation information.
- ◆ Annual State Convention designed to offer informative speakers and educational workshops for both new and veteran home educators.
- ◆ A huge exhibit hall of curriculum and resources. Vendors appreciate our venue.
- ◆ Annual High School Commencement Ceremony open to families with 2 or more years of LEAH membership

Available assistance for local chapters

- ◆ Help in starting a new chapter.
- ◆ New chapters receive Chapter Leaders’ Manual and materials to help them in their development.
- ◆ Support and training for leadership.
- ◆ Semi-annual meetings and workshops for chapter leaders.
- ◆ Newsletter exchange among participating chapters – see LEAH Board Secretary.
- ◆ Audio and Video Library available.

Family Discounts Savings:

- ◆ \$5 on Regulatory & Information Manual
- ◆ 20% on Home School Legal Defense Association’s membership (540) 338-5600; or www.hslda.org
- ◆ \$10 on LEAH Convention fee
- ◆ \$15 on Darien Lake’s LEAH Home School Day

REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVES

- ◆ **NEW YORK CITY / LONG ISLAND** (Bronx, Kings, New York, Queens, Richmond, Nassau, Suffolk)
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“HOME SCHOOLING IN ACTION” One Hour Video that follows three families

We know of no other tool available that actually shows parents that home schooling is something any conscientious family can do effectively. It takes the mystery out of what a daily schedule might look like, and gives the experienced home educator many encouraging tips and concepts to incorporate into their home school.

☆ As an experienced parent, you will want to have this great resource readily available to hand to friends who ask questions about home education or wish they could come and watch your school day!

☆ This video is a fantastic tool for local support groups! With this one-hour documentary your group can ensure that each new family is given the personal attention they deserve without taking the time away from your own families!

To purchase a copy (DVD) send a check for \$20 made out to NYS LEAH at the address below.

NYS LEAH REGULATORY MANUAL

Contains a history of home schooling in New York, explains the educational regulations pertaining to home instruction, sample forms, examples, and more.

[The information in this manual does not constitute legal advice.]

To order a copy, send a \$23 check (\$20+\$3 S/H) made out to:

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These volunteers’ names, phone numbers and addresses are to be used only by those seeking LEAH membership and information. No solicitations please!