

Creating a Transcript for Your Unique Child

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Review Key Concepts: Homeschool Transcript Advantages

- Demonstrate strengths, depth, and individuality with all educational experiences in one location

Credit Estimate: count curriculum first, and estimate hours when necessary

- One credit: one hour per day, one whole textbook, too many hours to count, 120-180 hours
- Half credit: one half hour per day, one semester curriculum, 2 hours per week, 60-90 hours

Grade Estimate: grades are the sum of all evaluations

- Grade A: mastery, meets high expectations, high test scores, or the child loves the subject
- Grade B: pretty good, not worth an A, could do better, used very difficult curriculum
- Grade C: not very good at all, but kept going into the next level

Key Concepts: Translate your homeschool into the love language of colleges.

- Be honest and true, speak “love language” of college, think simple. What would school do?
- Use an acronym for outside classes. Place before class title, define it at bottom of transcript.
- Avoid double dipping: 1 hour goes in 1 class. OK to be on transcript plus activity list.
- Cover letters cover problems. Seen before the transcript, explain the situation in words.

Create a unique transcript to help your graduate stand out from the crowd

Horrible Grades: flunking school or horrible grades from a school

Delight Directed Learning: use sticky note strategy, put experiences into affinity groups

Special Learning Challenges: missing college prep classes, emphasize abilities

Gifted and Advanced: cover the core and capture delight, consider test documentation.

Transcript or Activity List: review activity list and transcript side by side

Too Many Credits: normal is 20-24 credits, 35-45 is unusual, over 45 not recommended

Too Few Credits: 5-6 credits per year are enough.

Behemoth Classes: classical and literature-based education covering multiple subjects

Major Medical Problems: easy is OK, prioritize health, life is more important than school.

Major Psychological: safety first, get counseling while you can, consider de-schooling

Unschoolers Outside the Box: tests are not necessary to learn, but can help you assess.

Sending Transcripts with Classes in Progress: replace grade with “IP” for “in progress”

Resources

[Free] Homeschool Parent Guide to Grades, Credits and Transcripts HomeHighSchoolHelp.com/Freebies

Book: [Setting the Records Straight: How to Craft Homeschool Transcripts and Course Descriptions](#)

Kindle Book: [Creating Transcripts for Your Unique Child](#) Coffee Break Book by Lee Binz

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