

Step-by-Step Guide to Getting Started

1	Know the law (see Options for Homeschooling in California handout)
2	Research & decide on options, methods, curriculum
3	Join CHEA of California
4	Join Home School Legal Defense Association (CHEA members receive a discount)
5	Choose a name for your school (if filing a PSA)
6	File your Private School Affidavit (Instructions on CHEA's website)
OR	
7	Enroll in a PSP
	(find a PSP in CHEA's Homeschool Directory)
8	Get involved with, or start, a local support group
	(find a support group in CHEA's Homeschool Directory)
9	Set up your files (pay particular attention to required records)
10	Develop a Course of Study for each student
11	Order curriculum and supplies
12	Withdraw child from school using certified letter, as your student's parent
13	Send certified letter to request students records, as administrator of your private school
14	Decide if your family needs some time to "de-school"
15	BEGIN SCHOOL