

Home School Legal Support

American homeschooling traces its roots to the early days of our great country. The modern home education movement came into existence in the 1970's. By this time the American public and legal system had lost track of this amazing approach to education. A restoration of legal freedom to home school came through a process of intense struggle to regain the right for parents to educate their own children. In the midst of this struggle, Home School Legal Defense Association (HSLDA) was established in 1983 as a service to help homeschooling parents respond to legal challenges related to home education. HSLDA is a membership organization that provides legal support to families and critical legal services to the home school community nation-wide and internationally. HSLDA has fought alongside state home education organizations to win passage of home school laws in every state. In many cases, HSLDA attorneys literally wrote the text of many of our home school laws.

HSLDA membership fees help pay for many other vital services they provide at the local, state and national level. HSLDA monitors freedom at the international and federal levels, maintaining an office in Washington D.C. to aid in their efforts to work with elected officials, government agencies, and all branches of the military. If a law or government policy impacts home educators, it is a safe bet HSLDA is on top of it and is working with appropriate state leaders across our land. HSLDA hosts national and regional home school leadership conferences, works with national media, provides help for families with special educational needs, commissions and distributes credible home education research, helps establish home school freedom in foreign lands, provides help to home educating widows through the Home School Foundation (HSF), and much more.

Today other organizations have come on the scene offering legal protection to home educators. For a fee, they offer to defend your family if you run into legal difficulty with your homeschooling. They may provide help, but it will not bring with it the decades of experience HSLDA has gained working with home education leaders and government officials in every state and our nation's capital. When you join HSDLA, you have confidence that experienced home education attorney's are watching your back, and you help maintain all these irreplaceable efforts that extend and protect home education freedom. Visit the HSLDA [website](http://hsllda.org) (hsllda.org) to join and learn more about all that they do for the home education community.