Christian Homeschool Success in High School

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First, always remember:

Your love for your child will ensure success. High school is just another developmental stage.

Homeschooling provides:

The best academic preparation, the best learning environment, and the best career preparation.

How Do You Know You Can Homeschool High School:

Your child was given to you - Psalm 139:13-16

You know you are capable and can do all things - Philippians 4:13

Love covers any missteps - 1 Peter 4:8

Take it one step at a time - John 2:1-11

Key Strategies for Success:

Always be prepared. Know your child and trust yourself. Do what works, and use what works. Invest in your weaknesses – both time and money. Do the next thing and keep moving forward. Don't overschedule. Incorporate delight-directed learning. Strive for self-teaching. Choose curriculum made for homeschoolers. Share responsibilities. Invest in yourself and your chosen vocation.

Plan a Rigorous Curriculum:

English 4 years. Math 3-4 years, including senior year. Social Studies 3-4 years, including world history, US history, American government and economics. Science 3 years with at least 1 lab, Foreign Language 2-3 years of a single language. PE 2 years. Fine Arts 1 year. Electives to total 24 or more credits.

Record Keeping:

Tubbies, Cubbies, and Binder Queens. Do not be a Question Mark.

Keep things required for state law, things for course descriptions, and things colleges may want to see. Create transcript, reading list, course descriptions, activity and awards lists

Prepare for High School Tests:

PSAT in 10th for fun. PSAT in October of 11th for scholarships. SAT or ACT in spring of 11th grade. Repeat if necessary. SAT Subject Tests, CLEP, or AP when necessary.

Work on the College Admissions Process:

Junior year is critical: PSAT, college fairs, college visits, test preparation, SAT or ACT. Begin applications-- fall of senior year is focused on college applications.

Passion and Extra-Curricular Activities:

Leadership, volunteerism, and work plus extra-curricular activities will show passion. Maintain independence. Work at your child's level. Focus on character, work ethic, and specialization.

Children Grow Up:

Children become adults - 1 Corinthians 13:11

Adults go into the world- Mark 16:15

Stages: Parents train, the child becomes an adult, God promises when they are old - Proverbs 22:6

Continuing Education:

Invest time in yourself... FREE resources for homeschoolers at www.HomeHighSchoolHelp.com!