



Once Upon a Time 2020 happened...

And all of the sudden people all over the place were asking, "HELP! How do I homeschool? What curriculum am I supposed to use? How are my kids ever going to make friends? I don't know what I'm doing! AHHHHH!!!!"

But then a beautiful thing happened. Homeschoolers responded by saying, "You've got this! You can do it! Hit us with all your questions and we'll help you find the right path for YOUR family!"

I saw this happen a lot, but my favorite act of homeschooling support was a "Homeschool 101" night. As a crowd of nervous, curious, and maybe even somewhat skeptical parents set up their camp chairs on the lawn, another group of seasoned homeschoolers set up tables and blankets covered with their favorite and well-loved curriculum. The meeting began as the seasoned moms introduced themselves and gave a quick run

Unschooling, Montessori - what it looked like in practice and what sort of resources they used. But the bulk of the evening was spent as the prospective homeschooling parents got to peruse the tables, ask more specific questions in a one-on-one atmosphere, and create connections and community.

What better way to learn about what homeschooling is (and isn't) than from those directly in the trenches? What better way to get a feel for all the different philosophies and curriculum than to actually flip through the books and resources and ask questions from those who use them? The entire night was so fun! It was also a no-cost, low-preparation, low-stress kind of affair.

The need for homeschooling support is only increasing as the numbers of homeschoolers themselves increase. It's hard to jump out of the mainstream and go counter culture. Having support and a friendly face to answer questions can make ALL the difference.

So... let's do it again! Homeschool Hub Utah wants to sponsor a "Homeschool 101" event in YOUR area this summer. Let us know if you'd like to come! Let us know if you'd like to help! It doesn't take very much work, but it can make all the difference.

It's not a conference. It's not a convention. It's a COMMUNITY!

Click a button below to let us know **when** and **where** you'd like to see a Homeschool 101 event this summer and if you'd like to help put one on in your area.

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Remember those Nature Groups?



In the May newsletter, we highlighted getting our families outdoors and potentially participating in nature groups. Did you find one in your area that you like?

If not, did you consider creating your own? Kelly Erickson in Draper runs a highly successful nature group. Through the years she has learned important lessons, practices, and techniques for creating a strong, thriving community based and focused on nature and families. And the GREAT thing is that she is willing to teach and train YOU for free on how to do the same no matter where in the state you live!



Contact Kelly at admin@naturekidsconnect.com and let her know you are interested. Also, check out her website and the community she's created at NatureKidsConnect.com

Family's Needs



Did you miss our workshop?

Don't worry! This month's blog post is the first in a two part series recapping and diving a little deeper into the topic of *Community* that Anna and Britany presented on at the Education Empowerment Hub Conference last month. Start reading [here](#).

Get the Word Out

Do you have a state-wide or multi-county event and you need help getting the word out? The Homeschool Hub Utah newsletter is here for that very purpose. Have a topic you'd like us to address? Know a homeschool family or homeschooling business you'd like us to spotlight in our monthly blogs? We can do that! Help us create a newsletter that helps YOU connect, educate, empower, and serve the homeschooling families of Utah.

[Let's Get the Word Out!](#)

Just another reminder...

Homeschool Funding Options

My Tech High and Harmony Ed are two ways to help fund your homeschool. Many homeschool families (considered "Distance Learning" families if registered with either program) begin to pre-register for the new school year around this time.

Learn more about these programs from their websites: [My Tech High](#) and [Harmony Ed](#).

Here is an excellent [comparison blogpost](#) about the two programs from 2020.

*Details for 2022-2023 may be different. Do your research!



Does your Business cater to Homeschoolers?

Join the HHU Marketplace! The Homeschool Hub has a space dedicated for businesses, classes, workshops, companies, etc. who specialize in serving homeschoolers in Utah. HHU wants to connect homeschoolers to ALL the resources available to them.

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— *Margaret Mead*

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