# Some Homeschool Information Resources

## **Internet:**

#### www.HomeschoolFrederick.com

This website is really a One-Stop Shop for homeschoolers. Provides a wealth of information, resources, links to websites, curriculum sellers, calendar of homeschool-friendly events, lists of area support groups.

P.A.L.S. (Parenting, Academics and Leadership Support) http://groups.yahoo.com/group/PALS-FC PALS-FC is a secular online Yahoo-Group for Frederick County and surrounding areas open to all homeschooling families. PALS is a for members to communicate and network with one another and to provide information about various activities, field trips and programs for children in the group as well as support for parents.

#### Maryland Association of Christian Home Educators (MACHE) www.machemd.org

MACHE exists to support the Christian home schooling families and support group leaders in the state of Maryland . We provide a quarterly newsletter to member families and groups and we host symposiums, workshops, and other events including a curriculum convention at the Frederick Co. Fairground held annually the third weekend of April.

## Homeschool Legal Defense Association (HSLDA) www.HSLDA.org

Home School Legal Defense Association is a nonprofit advocacy organization established to defend and advance the constitutional right of parents to direct the education of their children and to protect family freedoms. Through annual memberships, HSLDA unites thousands of families providing a strong voice when and where needed.

## Books:

### You Can Teach Your Child Successfully (Grades 4-8) by Ruth Beechick

Gives nitty-gritty help for each subject in each grade. Learn how to individualize spelling; use "real books" in history, reading, and other studies; make arithmetic meaningful; and how to develop advanced reading skills.

#### How to Home School: A Practical Approach by Gayle Graham

An easy-to-use guide is filled with solid advice on planning and organizing; teaching reading, writing, and math; creating unit studies; making sense of curriculum choices; understanding standardized tests; efficient record-keeping;

#### What Your Child Needs to Know When by Robin Sampson

Examines and contrasts educational goals and strategies dictated by the state with those found in God's word. Explains how to teach and evaluate your kids from a biblical perspective. Contains helpful subject by subject and grade by grade checklists.

**The Well-Trained Mind: A Guide to Classical Education at Home** by Susan Wise Bauer, and Jesse Wise Explains the classical education approach including techniques, curriculums, and resources for tailoring your teaching to your student's cognitive development at each stage: elementary, middle school, and high school stage.

## What Your [#] Grader Needs to Know (The Core Knowledge Series) by E.D. Hirsch, Jr.

Each grade-specific volume provides subject by subject outline of instruction usually given in each grade. Offers the shared knowledge that thousands of parents and teachers across the nation have agreed upon for each grade level.

## Home Schooling: The Right Choice by Christopher Klicka

Everything you need to know about the advantages of homeschooling in the 21st century!

## High School @ Home: You Can Do It! by Diana Johnson

A fresh mix of personal anecdotes, educational theory, practical advice and examples to learn from, make this an invaluable resource to the homeschool parent approaching--or already in--the high school years.

### The Organized Home Schooler by Vicki Caruana

Discussing schedules, space, materials, and more, she'll offer ways to bring structure to work areas, paperwork, *and* your thinking. Develop new habits that will help you leave inefficiency and stress behind!