

# Oak Meadow School

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When you are considering homeschooling for the first time, it can be reassuring to learn more about the thousands of happy families across the county who are successfully educating their children at home. We recently asked our families “What are your favorite things about homeschooling / distance learning?” and the responses poured in. Below is a sample from the chorus of grateful homeschooling voices speaking to why homeschooling works for their families:



*I like being with my kids and especially being there when the ‘light bulbs’ go on. I like being part of their day, so I don’t just have a “How was your day?” “Fine” knowledge of their life. I also like knowing what they’re learning, and having the control to speed up when things are easy and slow down when things get tough.*



Learning is part of life, not something that just happens at a desk in a school building. I get to expand my own awareness & creativity as I help my children do the same.



Spending time with my children and watching them grow and blossom. Having an opportunity for my children to make choices of their own and be who they are meant to be.



Flexibility in school curriculum as well as life. I love to be intimately involved in my children’s learning. I want to be part of it. They love the freedom and control it provides them.



*The freedom to do what feels right to us. That my kids can grow up being themselves.*



Having a child experience his/her “firsts” and be able to witness every one of them, from their first steps, to their first chemistry explosion, is just amazing. It is a true blessing to be able to be more than just an outsider looking in on a classroom, to be the one helping and learning alongside them — this is the ultimate in parenthood.



*Flexibility! Our family tends to travel a lot throughout the year, and homeschooling makes learning portable.*



It allows us to keep our close-knit family, and to see directly what my child's strengths and weaknesses are and to address these. I also like that I can teach him according to his learning style. My husband appreciates the security of knowing that our son is being taught in a safe, loving and warm environment.



**The chance to give the student the opportunity to learn from his mistakes and learn to correct them instead of immediately going on to the next thing.**



I love the time that I spend with my daughter and our learning can help keep her mind open to wonder and her curiosity alive...



*Although our children are many years apart in age, homeschooling allows them to spend the day learning and having fun together. Their schedules give them the time for sports, field trips, family vacations and time with friends. We all enjoy one another and I don't believe that we could be this close if they attended different schools.*



My children learn to interact with all age groups, not just one. I can customize the learning to the child and their abilities and styles.



**My kids actually have time to dive deep into a subject, rather than being hustled from subject to subject. They also have time for themselves, creating and exploring.**



Homeschooling has opened up the ability for my kids to learn at their own pace, it has rearranged our relationship in a wonderful way, and it has allowed us to rethink learning.



*My children are advanced and it is a natural process just because of the time we spend with them. There should be no other way for education but homeschooling a natural daily rhythm of life. Thank you; we look forward to many years to come...*