

WYOMING

- Compulsory Attendance Ages:** From the age of 7 (if the child’s seventh birthday falls on or before September 15 of the current school year) until the child either completes the 10th grade or reaches age 16. Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 21-4-102.
- Required Days of Instruction:** 175 days for public schools. Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 21-4-301.
- Required Subjects:** A “‘basic academic educational program’ is one that provides a sequentially progressive curriculum of fundamental instruction in reading, writing, mathematics, civics, history, literature and science.” Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 21-4-101(a)(vi).

Homeschool Statute: Wyoming Statutes Annotated sections 21-4-101 to -102.

1. A “home-based educational program” is “a program of educational instruction provided to a child by the child’s parent or legal guardian or by a person designated by the parent or legal guardian. An instructional program provided to more than one (1) family unit does not constitute a home-based educational program . . .” Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 21-4-101(a)(v).
2. Parents conducting a home-based educational program must annually submit a curriculum to their local public school district board of trustees showing that a “basic academic educational program” is provided. Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 21-4-102(b). (See “Required Subjects” above.)
3. “These curriculum requirements do not require any private school or home-based educational program to include in its curriculum any concept, topic or practice in conflict with its religious doctrines or to exclude from its curriculum any concept, topic or practice consistent with its religious doctrines.” Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 21-4-101(a)(vi).
4. “Failure to submit a curriculum showing compliance is prima facie evidence that the home-based educational program does not meet the [school attendance] requirements . . .” § 21-4-102(b).

Alternative Statute Allowing Home Instruction: Wyoming Statutes Annotated section 21-4-101(a)(iv).

A home-based educational program school may be considered a “parochial, church, or religious school” if it is operated by a church, denomination, or similar religious organization. Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 21-4-101(a)(iv). “Nothing contained in W.S. 21-4-102(b), 21-2-401 or 21-2-406 grants to the state of Wyoming . . . any right or authority to control, manage, supervise or make any suggestions as to the control, management or supervision of any parochial, church or religious school . . .” *Id.*

Teacher Qualifications: None.

Standardized Tests: None.