# MICROSCHOOLS



A microschool (or hybrid school) is a unique alternative to traditional education. In Pennsylvania, microschools operate outside the regulations of public and private schools. All students enrolled are legally considered homeschoolers.

#### What is a microschool?

Microschools are incredibly diverse and adaptable, reflecting the needs of the families and communities they serve. They can take many forms, including:

- full-day, half-day, every day, or select days.
- Secular, religious, STEMfocused, nature-based, Montessori, child-led, classical, and more.

### What is the cost of a microschool in PA?

Some microschools are provided for free, or on a barter or volunteer basis. Other microschools can charge tuition and may be a non-profit or for-profit organization; the cost for which can vary greatly from minimal tuition per month to \$20,000 a year or more.

### What are the benefits of a microschool?

No two microschools are alike, just as no two children are alike. This flexibility allows parents to choose (or build in the case of edupreneurs) an environment that best meets their child's unique needs, interests, and learning styles.

With microschools, the power is in the hands of parents to decide what works best for their child's education and overall well-being.

## How do I find a microschool?

Ask people in your community and fellow parents. The social media forums (particularly Facebook) are very helpful. View our Educator Directory paedchoice.org/educator-services-directory-map

#### How do I enroll in a microschool?

To enroll in a microschool, start by contacting your local microschool provider and talking to the director. The process for each school can vary.

Still have questions?

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