

HOMESCHOOLING – EXPENSE INFORMATION

When identifying reimbursable expenses, the general principle to follow is that expenses that are normally included in traditional private school tuition are reimbursable. Expenses that are usually paid for separately and on top of traditional school tuition are not reimbursable; neither are major resources that are usually shared by many teachers and students, rather than just one or a few. See Table 1 for examples of reimbursable and non-reimbursable expenses.

TABLE: Acceptable/Unacceptable Reimbursable Expenses

Acceptable	Unacceptable
Original/copies of receipts	Hand written receipts
Textbooks	Computers
Workbooks	Printers
Teacher's Guide	Toner for printer
Educational Software (not for entertainment)	Fax Machines
Educational Audio/Video tapes	Internet Access fees
Teaching Aid Materials (Calculators, globes, science lab supplies, etc)	Hardware (CD drives, memory space, etc)
Copies used for Homeschooling purposes (work sheets)	Backpacks
Testing fees	Desks
Tutoring	Instruments
Fees for Homeschooling agencies	Clothing/sneakers
Equipment for physical education	Tutoring
Reference Materials (dictionary, atlas, etc)	Individual music or sports lessons
General group instruction in the arts	School supplies normally paid for by families
Tuition for academic courses taken outside the home	Special Ed diagnosis
Classes normally offered in traditional schools	HSLDA membership fees
	Association fees (support group type)

Overall, the cumulative amount over the academic year cannot exceed \$500 per child.