WELCOME TO AHEM! With your help, homeschoolers in Massachusetts are empowering themselves to keep Massachusetts a homeschool friendly environment by sharing information and support in dealing with school officials.

You can become proactive right away by filling out this form and returning it to:

AHEM, PO Box 1307, Arlington, MA 02474-0021 or email to info@AHEM.info. **PLEASE PRINT NEATLY**

Your name:_____

Address: _____

Town: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Would you like to be added to the Friends of AHEM email list for periodic updates on the state of homeschooling in MA, including emergency info if warranted? (circle one) Yes No

AHEM respects your privacy and will not share your name or contact information with any other organization.

Check anything you'd like to find out more about:

- ☐ Virtual Volunteering
- ☐ Helping with conferences, workshops, or other events
- ☐ Getting AHEM brochures on how to get started homeschooling in MA to distribute at meetings, in libraries, etc.

Please provide the following information about policy and procedure to be added to our town-by-town database of homeschooling policies in Massachusetts. Use the back if you need to, and please attach any supporting documentation.

Date: _____ Town/District: _____ County: _____

Superintendent or entity in charge of local homeschool policy: _____

How much in advance of the school year do school officials ask that you submit homeschooling plans? What do you do? Please explain.

Do school officials ask to meet with homeschoolers? Do you comply? Please explain.

Do school officials ask to visit your home? Do you comply? Please explain.

Do school officials ask for a daily schedule? For number of hours on each subject?
Do you comply? Please explain.

Form of assessment: (circle whatever you provide)
Progress report Work samples Standardized testing Other (please specify)
How many times a year? If a test, which one?

Do school officials provide you with a letter of approval?

Do school officials allow homeschoolers to participate in school activities? Please be specific.

Does your town have a written homeschooling policy? Have homeschoolers in your town worked with school officials to create a homeschooling policy? Please elaborate.

Have any of your children entered tenth grade or higher in a public high school after having homeschooled through ninth grade or later? If so, please tell us details of the transition, i.e. did the high school award credit for homeschool work? How was grade placement decided? Etc.

If you use a correspondence or distance learning school, which one? Do you still seek approval from your local school district? Whether yes or no, how does it work?

On a scale of 1 to 5, with 1 being very easy to deal with and 5 being very difficult, how would you rate your town's treatment of homeschoolers? (Circle one)

1 very easy **2** easy **3** average **4** difficult **5** very difficult

Any other information you feel would be useful for other homeschoolers to know about how your town puts homeschooling policy into practice? Please use the back if necessary and **please attach any written policies you've received from your school district**. Thanks for taking the time to help other Massachusetts homeschoolers!

Return questionnaire to **AHEM, PO Box 1307, Arlington, MA 02474-0021** **www.AHEM.info**

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