

Family Education Decision Worksheet



Your First Clarity Exercise

Before you compare options, pause and name what your child actually needs.

This is not about choosing the “best” education model in general.

It is about choosing the option that gives your child more of what helps them thrive — and less of what is not working.

My Child Needs More Of

Check anything that feels true right now.

- | | |
|--|--|
| ☐ More individual attention | ☐ More calm |
| ☐ More flexibility | ☐ More consistency |
| ☐ More structure | ☐ More independence |
| ☐ More academic support | ☐ More adult guidance |
| ☐ More emotional safety | ☐ More time to go at their own pace |
| ☐ More peer connection | ☐ More community |
| ☐ More hands-on learning | ☐ More confidence |
| ☐ More outdoor time or movement | ☐ More joy in learning |
| ☐ More creativity | ☐ More support with focus or motivation |
| ☐ More challenge | ☐ More room to be themselves |
-

My Child Needs Less Of

Check anything your child needs less of.

- | | |
|---|--|
| ☐ Less overwhelm | ☐ Less isolation |
| ☐ Less pressure | ☐ Less screen time |
| ☐ Less sitting still | ☐ Less noise or stimulation |
| ☐ Less social stress | ☐ Less comparison |
| ☐ Less academic frustration | ☐ Less anxiety around learning |
| ☐ Less one-size-fits-all instruction | ☐ Less parent-child tension about school |
| ☐ Less rushing | ☐ Less confusion about expectations |
| ☐ Less boredom | ☐ Less time in environments that do not fit |
| ☐ Less conflict around schoolwork | ☐ Less guessing about what comes next |

The Top Three Things My Child Needs Most Right Now

Choose the three that matter most.

1.
2.
3.

The Top Three Things We Need Less Of

Choose the three that would make the biggest difference.

1.
2.
3.

Option to Explore First

Based on what I checked, the first option I want to explore is:

- | | |
|---|---|
| ☐ Homeschooling | ☐ Tutoring |
| ☐ Learning pod | ☐ Enrichment program |
| ☐ Microschool | ☐ Hybrid option |
| ☐ Homeschool support program | ☐ I am not sure yet |

Why does this option seem worth exploring first?

--

Keep this page.

Every program you look at from now on gets one question:

“Does it give my child more of the left column and less of the right?”

That’s the whole test.

Want to see the options side by side?

The **Alternative Education Options Guide** walks homeschooling, pods, microschools, tutoring, enrichment, and hybrid — what each is and who it fits.

Get the Free [Options Guide](#)