

# LEARNWELL

Home Education Collective

## 2021-2022 Information Guide for Families of Children with Special Needs

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## Welcome

We are thrilled that you are considering joining Learnwell for the 2021-2022 school year!

**We know you want to be a happy, confident homeschooling parent.** To do that, you need to be able to provide your child with a high-quality education at home.

We understand that while many parents *want* to homeschool their children, they sometimes lack the personal and academic support they need. As homeschooling parents ourselves, we know **exactly** what it's like to face these challenges.

We have team members who are experienced special educators and would love to serve you as you homeschool your children with learning challenges.

At Learnwell Collective, **we believe homeschooling should work for the whole family, and that all parents can confidently educate their children at home.**

Here's how Learnwell works...

Step 1: You enroll as a member for the 2021-2022 school year.

Step 2: Starting in August, get the training, academic support, and community you need all year long.

Step 3: Homeschool with confidence, knowing that you have everything you need to give your children a great education this year.

So enroll **now** for the 2021-2022 academic year.

You can stop feeling overwhelmed and under-equipped, and instead be 100% confident that you're giving your child a **great** education at home.

We hope you join us for a great 2021-2022!

*Melissa Shipman*

Dr. Melissa Shipman  
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## At a Glance

- For homeschooling parents of children in kindergarten through seventh grade
  - The best of curriculum and materials selected for you
  - Highly-qualified teachers write your lesson plans and coach you every step of the way
  - Community with like-minded homeschooling parents: events, interaction, and fun!
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## What to Expect From Your Teacher

Learnwell teachers are dedicated to your success in homeschooling and to the education of your child. Every week, you'll receive a lesson plan and a coaching video that walks you through those plans and the best way to teach new concepts.



About once a month, your teacher will reach out to you to discuss your child's progress. Our teachers go above and beyond in communicating with our parents, answering emails, asking for feedback, and celebrating every win.

Learnwell teachers want to know how your child is doing so that their lesson plans can provide you with exactly what you need. Is everyone in the class having problems with fractions? Then next week, we'll slow down. Have we all mastered the latest consonant blends? Then let's move on!

Every teacher coaches up to 10 parents homeschooling kids in the same grade, and we'll facilitate you getting to know the other parents in your "class" via social media and course site discussion boards.

Your teacher will also help you complete your state's homeschool requirements as needed. If you need to submit a plan, report on the curriculum you're using, or provide quarterly reports, you'll have all the help you need to meet the requirements.

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## What to Expect From the Collective

We place a high value on homeschooling together. Isolation leads to loneliness, insecurity, and being limited to the best ideas of only one person. Homeschooling together inspires us, allows for the exchange of great ideas, and frankly, is fun!

Here's how community happens at Learnwell:

- Discussion threads right on your course page in your myLearnwell portal;
- Private Facebook groups for the community;
- Collective-wide parent events that serve to connect and support you as you homeschool, such as webinars, book clubs, and special speakers.

Our community is better every time a new family joins us. We hope that you'll join us - we know we'll be stronger if you do!



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## Curriculum

A team which included the leading experts in homeschool curriculum got together to select a curriculum that offers the highest quality of student resources and teaching tools. Our teachers provide you with the lesson plans, giving you the margin to get as creative as you'd like in teaching your children.

**Language Arts:** We craft lesson plans using the award-winning *All About Reading* curriculum in kindergarten through fourth grade. This curriculum is based on the Orton-Gillingham approach to reading, providing a strong foundation in early reading skills. We also use the popular and effective *Easy Grammar* series for grammar lessons beginning in second grade. For writing in grades 3-6,



we rely on IEW for teaching academic writing. Our teachers provide everything else you'll need to teach literature, spelling, and creative writing.

**Math:** We use the *Math Mammoth* curriculum, which does a fantastic job of providing a solid scope and sequence, as well as additional resources for students who are struggling or who need a challenge. Our teachers provide lesson plans and opportunities for review or enrichment as needed.

**Social Studies and Science:** Social Studies and Science lesson plans are meant for the *entire family* to be able to complete together. That means you'll be studying the same topic, with appropriate assignments for every student's grade level.

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## **Support for Families Homeschooling Children with Special Needs**

After several years of offering support to homeschooling parents who have children with learning differences, we have found that each family has unique needs for support. Learnwell offers three options for special needs support.

### **Weekly Support**

At the beginning of the year, you will meet with your grade-level teacher, special needs teacher, and principal to create a learning plan for the school year. This will be a dynamic document and plan that we will adapt as needed throughout the year.

With this level of support, you will have your grade-level teacher(s) AND a special needs teacher walking with you through the school year. Your special needs teacher will provide the appropriate accommodations and modifications for every weekly lesson plan, and is available to you any time you have a question or need for further resources.

### **Monthly Support**

At the beginning of the year, you will meet with your grade-level teacher, special needs teacher, and principal to create a learning plan for the school year. This will be a dynamic document and plan that we will adapt as needed throughout the year.

You will be supported by your grade-level teacher(s) week by week, and meet with your special needs teacher once a month. At this monthly meeting, you will discuss your child's progress and strategize together to identify accommodations, modifications, routines, and incentives that will help your child to learn successfully. Your special needs teacher is available to you by email as needed at any time during the year.

### **Quarterly Support**

At the beginning of the year, you will meet with your grade-level teacher, special needs teacher, and principal to create a learning plan for the school year. This will be a dynamic document and plan that we will adapt as needed throughout the year.

You will be supported by your grade-level teacher(s) week by week, and meet with your special needs teacher about once a quarter, in August, October, January, and March. At this quarterly meeting, you will discuss your child's progress and strategize together to identify accommodations, modifications, routines, and incentives that will help your child to learn successfully. Your special needs teacher is available to you by email as needed at any time during the year.

## Costs

Membership in Learnwell means that you have the support you need for the entire school year. All that Learnwell offers is for YOU, the parent, but we charge per grade because you will receive all needed materials to homeschool for each grade level at which your children are learning.

### Details:

- You choose the right payment plan for you: annual, quarterly, or monthly
- Overseas workers receive a 50% discount in tuition and enrollment fees, but we cannot yet offer this scholarship for the special needs service fee
- Discounts for multiple children in same family:
 

Child 2 = 10% tuition discount	Child 3 = 20% tuition discount
Child 4+ = 30% tuition discount	Children in same grade (twins) = 50% tuition discount

### Special Needs Pricing

(for one student):

Support Program	Annual <i>(paid in July)</i>	Quarterly <i>(paid in July, October, and January)</i>	Monthly <i>(paid monthly July-March)</i>
Weekly	\$3,916	\$1,315	\$445
Monthly	\$2,740	\$923	\$315
Quarterly	\$2,544	\$858	\$293

### Special Needs Pricing

(for one student, overseas workers/military):

Support Program	Annual <i>(paid in July)</i>	Quarterly <i>(paid in July, October, and January)</i>	Monthly <i>(paid monthly July-March)</i>
Weekly	\$2,791	\$940	\$320.11
Monthly	\$1,615	\$548	\$190
Quarterly	\$1,419	\$483	\$168

### Regular Pricing (for siblings):

	Annual <i>(paid in July)</i>	Quarterly <i>(paid in July, October, and January)</i>	Monthly <i>(paid monthly July-March)</i>
One student	\$2,250	\$760	\$260
Two students	\$4,275	\$1,435	\$485
Three students	\$6,075	\$2,035	\$685
Four students	\$7,650	\$2,560	\$860

### Fees

Enrollment fee: \$100 per child (\$200 maximum per family)

## Early Enrollment Incentives

The earlier you enroll for the coming school year, the better we can prepare and plan. So Learnwell offers the following early enrollment incentives:

- Enroll before March 15: save \$300 per student
- Enroll between March 16 and April 15: save \$200 per student
- Enroll between April 16 and May 15: save \$100 per student

## Optional: Supplemental online math for grades 5-7

Math becomes more challenging at the late elementary and middle school level, and some homeschooling parents would rather not re-learn the intricacies of fractions, decimals, percentages, and other pre-algebra math concepts. So Learnwell offers an optional live, online math class four days a week with a Learnwell teacher who specializes in math instruction. The cost for this is only \$22 per week, or \$750 for the entire year. *At this point, we are not able to offer scholarships or discounts for this offering; however, in the future we anticipate that we will be able to do so.*

## Curriculum

Once you're enrolled, you will purchase only the reading and math curriculum materials your child needs for the year, plus support materials in grammar, handwriting (in younger grades), social studies, and science. Depending upon the grade of your child(ren), your total costs for everything needed should be under \$200 for new materials.

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## The Learnwell 3-Point Promise to Parents



### 1. Happier Homeschooling for a Healthier Family

Home education is about more than books, papers, and grades. We are committed to helping you homeschool in a way that brings more time, space, and peace for your entire family.

### 2. Fully Committed to Your Success

Our goal is for you to homeschool with confidence. If you or your child are struggling in your homeschooling, we will work with you to find the solution.

### 3. Save More Time or Your Money Back

Your time is incredibly valuable. If you don't believe that being a part of the Learnwell community is saving you valuable time, we offer a 100% money-back guarantee in the first 30 days of the school year.

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## The Process

We make joining Learnwell easy! Here's all you need to do:

1. **Request Information** - Watch the video and read this guide to get the answers you need to determine if Learnwell is a great fit for you. You've already completed this step!
2. **Chat with us** - We would like to talk together with you about your children, answer any questions you might have, and make sure that Learnwell is a great fit for your family.
3. **Enroll** - You can schedule a time to chat with a member of our staff if you'd like, or you can go ahead and enroll. You'll give us more information about you and the children you'll be supporting through Learnwell, and select the membership payment plan that's right for you.

Then you can sit back, take a deep breath, and rest in the knowledge that you have a great play in place for the 2021-2022 school year!

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## 2021-2022 Calendar

Learnwell Collective 2021-2022 Calendar			
Week #	Date	Week #	Date
1	Aug 16	16	Jan 3
2	Aug 23	17	Jan 10
3	Aug 30	18	Jan 17
4	Sept 6	19	Jan 24
5	Sept 13	20	Jan 31
6	Sept 20	21	Feb 7
7	Sept 27	22	Feb 14
FALL BREAK		WINTER BREAK	
8	Oct 11	23	Feb 28
9	Oct 20	24	Mar 7
10	Oct 25	25	Mar 14
11	Nov 1	26	Mar 21
12	Nov 8	27	Mar 28
13	Nov 15	SPRING BREAK	
THANKSGIVING BREAK		28	Apr 11
14	Nov 29	29	Apr 18
15	Dec 7	30	April 25
CHRISTMAS BREAK		31	May 2
		32	May 9
		33	May 16
		34	May 23

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## Questions?

We'd love to answer any questions you might have! Contact us at [info@learnwellcollective.org](mailto:info@learnwellcollective.org), and we'll respond immediately.

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