

FAMILY TREE HOMESCHOOL

ORIENTATION DAY

(Example of a *First-Day-of-School* Plan)

Plan the aspects of this "orientation" day ahead of time. Print a schedule out like this one, and review it together at the beginning of the day explaining this is an "orientation day". This way, the next day when school work begins in earnest, you will not need to introduce or review these important points below. Your schedule can be any time frame that best fits your family.

8:00 - 9:00	WAKE UP/BREAKFAST/BIBLE VERSES
9:00 - 9:20	INTRODUCE THE "ORIENTATION DAY" SCHEDULE AND CHORE LIST
	DO CHORES (dishes, clean room, walk dog, get school supplies/area ready, etc.)
9:20 - 9:30	Transition Time: Prepare for school work
9:30 - 10:20	1ST SESSION (SESSIONS usually would be school work time. On "orientation day" do this:
	O PICK AND ARRANGE OFFICE
	CHECK SUPPLIES & BOOKS OR PLACE ORDERS
	 If using "Pace" booklets, don't forget to pull the "tests" out of the middle of the workbook before giving the workbook to your student!
10:20 - 10:30	BREAK
10:30 - 11:20	2ND SESSION:
	REVIEW SUBJECTS/SCHOOL BOOKS CLOSELY
	 FILL OUT STUDENT "GOAL CHART" (see example) FOR NEXT DAY
11:20 - 12:30	LUNCH AND RECESS
12:30 - 1:20	3RD SESSION:
	o DISCUSS AND DESCRIBE <u>PORTFOLIO</u> , <u>MAKE FILES FOR CATEGORIES</u>
	 DISCUSS THE <u>MONTHLY REPORT</u> YOU WILL BE USING
	o discuss <u>Book report</u> outline, <u>Grading Scale & Assignment Quality</u>
1:20-1:30	BREAK
1:30-2:20	4TH SESSION:
	 DISCUSS <u>BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS</u>
	 DISCUSS ANY <u>BEHAVIORAL CHART</u> PARENT WILL USE
	 DISCUSS PRIVILEGES/DEMERITS/ HOMEWORK/SCHEDULE CHANGES
2:20-3:00	CLEAN UP AND COMPLETE UNFINISHED WORK
3:00	STUDENT IS TO PUT GOAL CHART AND WORK AWAY.

REPORT (Homework for unfinished scheduled for the evening.)