

HOMESCHOOLING ON A BUDGET



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INTRODUCTION

Why Budgeting Matters

Homeschooling is one of the most rewarding and flexible ways to educate your children, but it often comes with a big misconception:

It costs a lot of money.

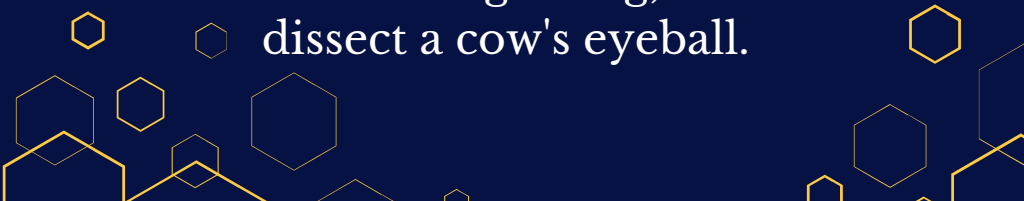
The truth is, **homeschooling can be done on almost any budget**, as long as you approach it with creativity, resourcefulness, and a willingness to think outside the box.



While I was being homeschooled, my mom found a LOT of ways to stretch a dollar. From using library resources to building science experiments out of everyday household items. I learned firsthand that a quality education doesn't have to come with a hefty price tag.

In fact, some of my favorite learning experiences cost next to nothing, like field trips to local parks or creating art projects with supplies we already had at home. **A funny memory comes to mind:** I heard from some friends in public school that they'd just dissected a frog. My sister thought it was gross but being me, I wanted to do it too.

I told my mom and the next week we weren't dissecting a frog, but we did dissect a cow's eyeball.




It was in fact gross.

But the thing that stood out to me the most was how easy it was to BUY them!! I guess in rural Missouri farmers have "extra parts" for sale and while I don't know if I recommend it, you can pick up a pack of 6 life-changing cow eyeballs for around \$7 bucks.

(No more gross stories, I promise.)

I feel it's necessary for me to note that there could be (and probably should be) a book on this subject for each grade from PK through 12th. With that in mind, I want you to think of this book is a holistic guide to homeschooling on a budget for parents who are thinking of homeschooling, just starting your homeschooling journey or looking for ways to trim costs.



Hopefully you'll find some practical tips and strategies in the pages ahead. From finding free resources to earning money as a homeschooling family, I'll try to cover it all.

By the end of this book, I hope you see that homeschooling isn't about how much money you spend—it's about the time, energy, and the love you put into it.

Let's dive in and discover how you can give your kids a fantastic education without breaking the bank.

