Classes for Homeschooled Students

The Museum of Life and Science offers a variety of multi-week classes for homeschooled elementary, middle and high school students. Each class meets once a week for two or three hours.

Through these classes, we foster curiosity in the world around us, and the use of science as a tool for exploring that world. Our educators utilize the Museum’s 84-acres of indoor and outdoor learning environments as a platform for inquiry-based and project-oriented activities and carefully promote an environment of discovery using first-hand experience as our primary teacher.

All our classes employ pedagogical methods in accordance with the results of educational research. We know that students should be the center of learning and we provide cognitively appropriate instruction, assorted tools and rich materials for students to build knowledge upon their existing experience in each content area. The curricula are designed in accordance with the [North Carolina Standard Course of Study](https://www.ncpublicschools.org/docs/standards/standards/standards-course-study.pdf) and the [National Science Education Standards](https://www.nationalacademies.org/doi/10.17226/5680). We have a highly-qualified team of experienced teachers, many of whom homeschool as well.

We are familiar with the unique circumstances and challenges of home schooling and try to accommodate the specific needs that come with it. Our classes take place on the same weekday for several weeks in a row. At the middle and high school levels, we expect that the students work on assignments for reading and researching between class sessions. We maintain a Wiki site where parents and students can review the content of previous sessions and look up homework.

We are looking forward to welcoming you and your children to the Museum of Life and Science in Durham.

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