

COVID-19 Information for At-Home Learning Educational Opportunities for Kids Birth to Age 5

With schools, preschools and childcare centers currently closed, parents and guardians may be looking for ways to help enhance their children's learning during this time at home. The following resources* provide learning opportunities for preschool-age children:

- [Bookflix](#) – This website pairs fiction and nonfiction popular books that will engage young readers and support literacy. It helps children build foundational skills through making connections, building background knowledge and vocabulary. It includes a read-aloud feature.
- [Caring for Each Other](#) (Sesame Street) provides resources designed to provide comfort, manage anxiety, and foster learning at home, including activities for daily routines, videos, printable resources, and interactive games.
- [Center on the Social and Emotional Foundations for Early Learning](#) – This site provides a list of resources and practical strategies for families, including books that support social-emotional learning and guides designed around popular children's books.
- [Day by Day Ohio Family Literacy Calendar](#) – Day by Day Ohio is a tool families, caregivers, educators and librarians can use at home, on the go, and in the classroom.
- [Early Childhood CATCH.org](#) – This site includes health, nutrition, and physical education resources for families, including activities and materials for things to do at home. \
- [Good Housekeeping](#) – Find a long list of virtual field trips to zoos, museums, theme parks, and aquariums, just to name a few.
- [HOMER Reading and HOMER Stories](#) – HOMER Reading's Personalized Learning Pathway allows educators and families to customize a learning plan that's just right for every child, based on his or her reading stage and interests. Learning games provide instruction in print knowledge, phonological awareness, letter sounds, and more. Always free for educators; free trial for families, then \$7.99 per month.

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- INFOhio's [Early Learning Portal](#) – Free apps for preschool-age children aligned to Ohio's Early Learning and Development Standards.
- [Ohio Family Engagement Center](#) – Information for families, schools, and communities to work together to launch student success. Resources include a variety of topics to help support families, including family mealtime, academics, child well-being, transitions, and communication. It also includes a list of organizations to help support families, learning at home, and financial management.
- [Ohio Governor's Imagination Library](#) – The Ohio Governor's Imagination Library provides books to children ages 0-5 across Ohio.
- [PBS Learn & Grow](#) – This website provides a variety of activities, videos, literature, and games to promote personal growth and learning for children ages 2-8 years.
- [Reading Tips for Families](#) – This site was designed to support Ohio families with reading by providing activities and helpful tips to encourage children to become successful readers. Reading research and resources are included for those looking for more detailed information.
- [Scholastic Learn at Home](#) – Scholastic is providing 20 days of learning projects for children to do independently or with family members.
- [Sit Together and Read \(STAR\) and STAR@Home](#) – This resource provides educators and families with book suggestions and targeted questions to ask children when reading aloud.
- [Storynory](#) – This site provides free audio stories for all age levels, including fairytales, classic authors, and myths.
- [Switch Zoo](#) – Children watch, listen, and play games to learn all about amazing animals.
- [Vroom](#) – This free app provides opportunities that support the development of literacy through life skills that promote executive function, positive adult-child relationships, and back and forth interactions supported by science.
- [World Book Early Learning](#) – Children engage in an interactive and playful environment of topical content. A read-aloud option promotes a personalized learning experience.

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For answers to your COVID-19 questions, call 1-833-4-ASK-ODH (1-833-427-5634).

If you or a loved one are experiencing anxiety related to the coronavirus pandemic, help is available. Call the Disaster Distress Helpline at 1-800-985-5990 (1-800-846-8517 TTY); connect with a trained counselor through the Ohio Crisis Text Line by texting the keyword "4HOPE" to 741 741; or call the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services help line at 1-877-275-6364 to find resources in your community.

Additional Resources:

Medium.com: The Best 20 Websites Where You Can Learn Science For Free: <https://medium.com/@mashster/the-best-20-websites-where-you-can-learn-science-for-free-715c4e7db79d>.

Ohio Department of Education: Family and Community Support Toolbox:

<http://education.ohio.gov/Topics/Learning-in-Ohio/Literacy/Ohio-s-Literacy-Toolkits/Family-and-Community-Support-Toolbox>.

Over 30 Virtual Field Trips with Links:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1SvldgTx9djKO6SjyvPDsoGlkqE3iExmi3qh2KRRku_w/preview?fbclid=IwAR3gpqIMy-ZT_C-AHMKluL45Rak8QH2UBt7wUXTrynhgXM08salOwJMyzpw&pru=AAABcQi6hgw*N71SBHujaJhjXNM3goD7-A.

Open Culture: 200 Free Kids Educational Resources: Video Lessons, Apps, Books, Websites & More:

http://www.openculture.com/free_k-12_educational_resources.

Travel + Leisure: Stuck at Home? These 12 Famous Museums Offer Virtual Tours You Can Take on Your Couch:

<https://www.travelandleisure.com/attractions/museums-galleries/museums-with-virtual-tours>.

Today.com: How to Homeschool During the Coronavirus Crisis with Free Resources:

<https://www.today.com/parents/how-homeschool-during-coronavirus-crisis-t176020>.

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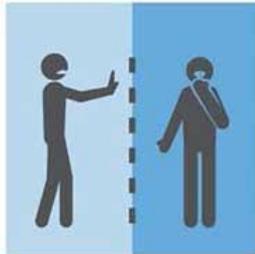
Protect yourself and others from
COVID-19 by taking these precautions.

PREVENTION

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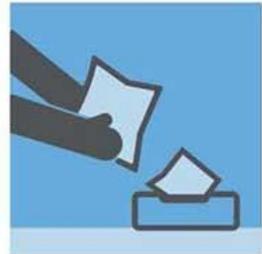
PRACTICE
SOCIAL
DISTANCING



GET ADEQUATE SLEEP
AND EAT WELL-
BALANCED
MEALS



WASH HANDS OFTEN
WITH WATER AND SOAP
(20 SECONDS
OR LONGER)



DRY HANDS WITH
A CLEAN TOWEL
OR AIR DRY
YOUR HANDS



COVER YOUR MOUTH
WITH A TISSUE OR
SLEEVE WHEN
COUGHING OR SNEEZING



AVOID TOUCHING
YOUR EYES, NOSE,
OR MOUTH WITH
UNWASHED HANDS
OR AFTER
TOUCHING SURFACES



CLEAN AND DISINFECT
"HIGH-TOUCH"
SURFACES OFTEN



CALL BEFORE VISITING
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