

# Homeschooling

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## **Arguments:**

### **Pros:**

Homeschooling prevents a big outbreak of the virus at schools.

It is a way to test if the school is ready for the digital future.

Working from home = more flexibility

### **Cons:**

Some students are too lazy and forget school.

Getting help can take longer.

Not everyone has the equipment to work from home.

No structured days.

Students and teachers might not be ready and need to learn.

Email delivery can fail or can be delayed.

Too much distraction (eg. videogames, social media, notifications on the phone)

Not everyone has a good environment to learn.

### **Comment:**

The following text is about the question if homeschooling is a good method in these times.

On the one hand there are reasons why it is useful especially during a pandemic.

First of all it slows down the spread of the virus and prevents a big outbreak in a school. A single infected student can infect many people. It's also useful to test if the school is ready for the future and to make plans. It also gives students more flexibility. We can do our work whenever we want and wherever we want.

On the other side there are downsides. Some students are lazy and forget school. They use the time for private activities and don't learn anything. And the students that do their work have a problem too. It takes longer to get help. Or the emails vanish completely. Some mails don't arrive and there is no error message. Some students and teachers don't have the equipment and / or know how to work from

home. Nearly every student has a smartphone but there are other devices we need. Not everyone has a printer or a stable and fast Internet connection. My biggest problem is that the days don't have any structure. Some people need a structure to work efficiently.

There are also many distracting things at home like video games. Last but not least I think it is important to mention one thing: not everyone has a good place to learn. Some share a room with their siblings or just don't have a good place to learn and work at home.

All in all I'm of the opinion that homeschooling is not the best thing ever and I want it to end. But it's the only way to handle school in these times.