

UPSTATE SOUTH CAROLINA, GREENVILLE/SPARTANBURG, JUNE 3, 2022 --

Today, an estimated 30,000 children in South Carolina and over 4 million children nationwide are homeschooled students according to recent data. With frustration abundant by traditional learning systems, paired with recent Covid-19 measures and precautions, a growing number of parents are seeking other opportunities for their children. Parents are doing everything it takes to provide their child a first-rate, in-home or cooperative, education. This is not always an easy paradigm shift for parents, even in an area where homeschooling is an actively sought after method of education. Guidance, support, tools, and resources are both important and essential to this growing homeschool community. This is exactly why The Homeschool Community of the Upstate is hosting the return of the Upstate Homeschool Expo! Join us for an evening of connection and community, The Upstate Homeschool Expo will be held, July 21, 2021, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m., at the Children's Museum of the Upstate in Greenville, SC, advanced registration is required to attend.

"We are so ecstatic to bring The Upstate Homeschool Expo back to our homeschooling parents in Greenville and Spartanburg Counties! With a wide variety of homeschool camps, co-ops, associations, classes, activities, sports,

community groups, and more - this is a great opportunity for parents to come see what is offered. The number of resources we have in our area is second to none!" says Amanda Sanford, Event Manager for the Expo. "This is the perfect event for seasoned homeschoolers, newcomers, or curious parents alike. This event will have a plethora of important and inspiring information for all!"

This revival of the Upstate Homeschool expo will be packed with local educational resources, homeschool Q&A opportunities, demonstrations, and the added bonus of activities for children to enjoy while you are busy. With value in all the local homeschool opportunities, there will be a variety of programs, associations, and co-ops there to answer questions, provide information, and help any parent in the homeschooling process.

The Expo is family-friendly and affordable. Parents can attend Q&A sessions and roam from booth to booth to discover all there is to offer. While mom and dad are busy learning, kids alike, will also be busy - and having tons of fun! Art projects, interactive museum exhibits, activities, performances, robotics demonstrations, and more will be available for kids in attendance - of all ages!

"Our group has a strong belief in the homeschool process," says Carrie Knepper, founder of the Homeschool Community of the Upstate. "We love to help families find their stride in homeschooling, socially and educationally. The Upstate Homeschool Expo is here to celebrate the value in homeschooling, and provide parents with an opportunity to come together

and learn, build relationships, and discover all that the local community has to offer in support for their homeschool journey. Taking charge of our children's education can be both scary and daunting, and we are working to bridge the gap, and make the process simple and attainable.”

Helping to make all this possible, is sponsorships by both Grace School Associations and Abner Creek Family & Sports Chiropractic, as well as a wide variety of Exhibit Hall exhibitors who have signed up to support and participate in the Upstate Homeschool Expo. It's not too late to register to attend OR participate as a vendor. For more information and sign-up, visit upstatehomeschoolexpo2022.com.

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Homeschool Expo

All the best
resources
for homeschooling
in the upstate,
in 1 place,
on 1 night.

Gather Resources for Your Homeschool

DISCOVER

Discover the best resources
for homeschooling in the
upstate!

CONNECT

Find your tribe! Explore
the homeschooling options
that best meet your
family's style.

PLAY FOR LESS

Exclusive, after hours, at
The Children's Museum -
Greenville, for half of normal
admission + the expo!

TIME

July 21 • 6pm - 8pm

More details & to register:

upstatehomeschoolexpo2022.com

Co-ops
Associations
Activities
Classes
Communities
Resources
Field Trips

And, a welcome area
for recent transplants!



WELCOME AREA

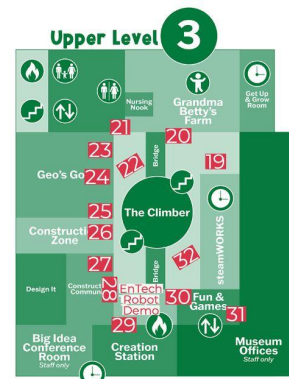
- Hub City Farmacy**
The upstate's 1st organic meal delivery service. We opened so we could both homeschool our kids. We are grateful to serve the community!
- The Grove**
Welcome to South Carolina team.
- Body Works Women's Health & Wellness**
specializes in helping active women be fit, strong, and pain-free through total body health and wellness.
- Tinkergarten**
a learning community for the early years, ages 18 months to 8 years, that focuses on outdoor play & nature connection. Live weekly sessions, as well as an at-home curriculum.
- Kazoku Karate**
located in Greenville, SC, offers karate classes for youth ages 3 and up, teaching traditional martial art values—building confidence, self-awareness, & self-defense for every child.
- Upstate Homeschool Physical Education**
offers classes for students ages 6-13 with locations in Boiling Springs and Greer, SC. Students will learn sports and classic games, make friends, and stay active.
- Melody Arts**
offers homeschool art classes, as well as group and private music lessons—a one-stop shop for your enrichment needs.

Welcome to the Upstate Homeschool Expo!

Visit the "Welcome Home" area on the main floor, if you've just moved here (& even if you're local), watch the robotics demonstration on the 3rd floor, & explore local homeschool resources throughout!

- CHILL Art Studios**
A new studio offering camps & classes for students of all ages, & moms. Run by an artist, teacher, and mother, who is passionate to share her love of art with her students.
- Not Consumed Ministries**
homeschool planners record keepers, curriculum, prompted journals for students, & devotionals, all created by a fellow homeschooling family!
- Positive Learning Coach and Homeschool Education Consulting**
provides individual instruction and tutoring for students and home education support for home educators.
- Roots and Wings Nature School (co-op)**
is an early learning community that facilitates a child's engagement with nature, outdoor play, and developmentally appropriate learning.
- Usborne Books & More**
Shop Usborne's wonderful collection of educational, & engaging, books & toys.
- Barefoot Acres**
is a unique learning farm. Through field trips & camps students learn farming, conservation, exploration, human studies, wildlife identification, cultivation, & experience adventure.
- Academic Advantage Association**
is a minimally intrusive, cost-effective third-option accountability association, since 1990. Year round enrollment, and readily available for questions when you have them.
- Lifelong Learning Resource**
carries many of the popular homeschool curriculum. Staffed by fellow homeschool parents, & homeschool graduates, who are knowledgeable and happy to help.
- Homeschooling the Special Needs Child**
consulting for parents of children with special needs, from curricula to accommodation strategies.
- North Greenville University**
A thriving private university offering online, & on campus degrees. They are eager to connect with homeschool families, & make the college admissions process a little less daunting.
- Upstate Cake Pops**
Created by a homeschool mom, stop by for sweet treats!
- A to Z**
works with ages 2+ to improve articulation, language, stuttering, and social skills.
- Rustic Wildflower**
Shop homeschool mom shirts, & accessories.
- We Are Mom Friends**
Montessori, & imagination inspiring, handmade wooden toys.
- Bob Jones University Press Homeschool**
Homeschool curriculum.
- Classical Conversations (co-op)**
K-1 through college credit. A consistent roadmap to follow at your own pace, & within a local homeschool community group.
- Katia Karkkainen**
A new piano studio in Easley, SC; piano lessons for kids 4+ and adults. Fun and efficient learning!

• Answering homeschool questions in the Q&A! •



- German School Upstate**
The Upstate of SC hosts over 140 German Companies. Add German to your Child's curriculum while they are young, and let them grow into this language.
- Lupia & Associates LLC**
Homeschool curriculum, & local classes, in weather education, and related sciences.
- Greenville Zoo**
Discover all that the Greenville Zoo has for homeschoolers: programs, field trips, & more! And, talk to an educational instructor about the animals!
- EnTech Robotics**
"EnTech Robotics provides students of all ages the opportunity to participate in robotics programs offered through FIRST. This program provides a hands on approach to learning science, technology, engineering, and mathematics."
- Imagine Music Studios**
Piano and vocal lessons, as well as music theory, audition preparation, and more. Students get to show off their skills in Seasonal Recitals and the Greenville Parade.



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Lower Level

The 1st floor has a huge range of things to experience!
 Ask all your homeschooling questions from the experts in the Q&A!
 Journey into a whimsical art world with a Yellowbobbypins art class
 for the kids! Watch performances on the stage, and visit with co-ops,
 communities, & other wonderful resources.

Upcountry Homeschool Association
 Third-option accountability association. They give parents the freedom to educate their children under the law without unnecessary oversight.
 • Answering homeschool questions in the Q&A! •

Palmetto Homeschool Association
 Providing the integrity and support you need with all the freedom you deserve. We are available by phone and email when you have questions, and we offer ranked transcripts, diplomas, and graduation for high school students.
 • Answering homeschool questions in the Q&A! •

Grace Schools Association
 "Serving homeschoolers in SC, as well as military & missionary families, for 30 years! We offer transcripts, class ranking, graduation, bookstore, consultation & more!"
 • Answering homeschool questions in the Q&A! •

Greenville County 4-H
 Homeschool 4-H, various locations in the upstate.

Upstate Forest School and Outdoor Learning Community
 nature-based, emergent curriculum.

Velos Collective
 An a la carte co-op including sports, arts, & life skills options.

Firm Foundation Academy (co-op)
 Full-time, part-time, or hourly options.

The Laughing Falcon
 Classes & camps for homeschoolers in leather working, theatre, wood burning, historical European martial arts, & historical crafts made modern, utilizing classic stories, & history to teach time-honored skills.
 • Performing on stage! •

Echo Theater
 Started by a homeschool mom of over 23 years, the goal of Echo Theatre is to provide stage production opportunities to the home education community in a God honoring way.

Homeschooling One Child
 resources and courses for parents homeschooling one child, or multiples, because each child is an individual.

The Classroom864 (co-op)
 Camps, consulting, flexible instruction in 3 core subjects.

Fledged Arrows Academy (co-op)
 Faith-based enrichment co-op.

Grounding Roots Homeschool Co-op
 Reggio Emilia Micro-School.

Faith Montessori Co-op
 Drop-off, Montessori co-op.

Bethlehem Co-op
 A relaxed enrichment co-op, with classes for students from pre-K through high school.

Spartanburg History
 History programs, & field trips, centered around local historical sites.

Emmanuel Arts
 Emmanuel has been a HUGE supporter of the local homeschool community for decades. They offer a large variety of dance classes, theater, martial arts, meet & greets with favorite characters, arts & crafts days... the list goes on!
 • Performing on stage! •

Rossi Kennedy: Kinderbeat, Piano, & Accordion
 Music education starting with a Kinderbeat program for the little ones, & progressing through private piano, or accordion, lessons.
 • Performing on stage! •

Hearts of Clay
 Homeschool art classes and art camps. Our motto is, "Where Everyone is an Artist," we strive to make our art affordable for everyone.

Carolina Homeschool Cougars
 Homeschool cross country, & track & field team.

The South Carolina Homeschool Accountability Association
 TSCCHAA offers affordable membership for legal accountability for the entire family, field trips, book clubs, and more.
 • Answering homeschool questions in the Q&A! •

Yellowbobbypins Art Camp
 art classes for preschool & elementary students. Develop fine motor skills through weekly projects with technical instruction, creative exploration, and a historical connection.

South Carolina Association of Independent Home Schools
 Educational counseling & encouragement to homeschooling parents as they shepherd their children through their educational journey.
 • Answering homeschool questions in the Q&A! •

Upstate Homeschool Hybrid (co-op)
 Drop-off, with focus on creative thinking & leadership



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