Pennsylvania Homeschool Portfolio Checklist

Work down this list once a term and the annual review stops being an event.

Student: _____

School year: _____

- [ ] **A dated log of educational activities**
  What you covered and which subject it served, written as you go. Reconstructing a year of this in the week before a review is the single most common portfolio scramble.
- [ ] **A reading list, by title**
  Every book and material named. This is the piece families most often rebuild from memory, and the piece a reviewer can check fastest.
- [ ] **Samples of your student's work**
  Writings, worksheets, workbooks, and creative work. A few pieces per subject spread across the year reads as evidence; a stack from one good week does not.
- [ ] **The assessment or evaluation record**
  Pennsylvania requires a professional evaluation. Keep the result filed with the portfolio rather than loose, since the two get asked for together.
- [ ] **Your hours record**
  Pennsylvania sets an hours requirement, and the portfolio is where the evidence that you met it usually gets shown.
- [ ] **A copy of anything you filed**
  Your notice of intent and any correspondence with the district, dated. If a question ever comes up, dated proof that you filed on time closes it.

What Pennsylvania requires

Under 24 P.S. § 13-1327.1(e), families keep a contemporaneous log of reading materials by title plus samples of the student's writings, worksheets, workbooks, and creative materials. Standardized tests in math and reading/language arts are included in the portfolio in grades 3, 5, and 8.

Building this by hand every spring? Homeschool Fox keeps your samples, reading list, and hours together as you go. Start free at homeschoolfox.com.