

Colorado Homeschool Evaluation Portfolio

Quick Start Guide

1. The "Rule of Three"

For each core subject, aim to provide three samples: one from the beginning, one from the middle, and one from the end of your school year. This tells the story of your child's progress.

2. Core Subject Checklist

Reading:

- A simple book list (titles/authors)
- A sample of a reading response
- A short video of them reading aloud
- Written responses to reading
- Comprehension exercise
- Book project

Writing:

- Writing samples (narrative, informational, persuasive)
- Journal entries
- Essays or reports
- Grammar exercises

Mathematics:

- Three samples showing different concepts (e.g., addition, fractions, and a word problem)
- Screenshots of online curriculum progress reports are excellent!

Speaking:

- A photo of a presentation
- A video of them explaining a topic
- Brief note about a discussion they led

3. The "Narrative Snapshot" (Science, History, Civics & Constitution)

Colorado requires these subjects, but I believe they are best captured through the story of your child's curiosity. Instead of worksheets, feel free to send a "**Learning Snapshot**" for each:

- **The Spark:** A 2-3 sentence note about a topic that really lit them up this year.
- **The Experience:** A photo of a project, an experiment, or a field trip.
- **The Resources:** A list of documentaries watched or books read together.
- **Civics/Constitution:** A brief mention of a conversation you had about community, history, or how our government works.

4. What NOT to Include

- Every single worksheet completed this year.
- Standardized test scores (unless you want to).
- Perfect, error-free work only. *Growth is found in the mistakes, too!*



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