## Build Homeschool Traffic with a Link from HOMESCHOOL WORLD®

- >> You have a web site
- > You want people to visit it
- ▶ Getting listed in search engines is okay, but you need to do more

Add some traffic from the world's most popular homeschool site\*,

# www.home-school.com

Your most inexpensive option is our **Reciprocal Link**. In exchange for you adding a link to us from your home page or links page—perhaps under the heading "Other sites of interest"—you can save \$100 or more off the cost of your link. We will check to see if the reciprocal link is up after we have received payment and put up your link. For exactly how to do this, see the Links Insertion form.

If you want the traffic to be one-way, people coming from our site to yours but not leaving your site once they get there, you can pay a little extra for our **Non-Reciprocal Link**. With this option, you don't have to do any extra HTML programming on your site. Just fill out the form and send us payment.

Your Reciprocal or Non-Reciprocal link will be placed on the relevant page of our Mall area, as follows:

- **1. A visitor clicks on the word "Mall"** on our homepage. This takes them to the main page of our Mall.
- 2. On that page, they select one of the Mall Areas (Halls). (These also are listed at the top left of each Mall page.)
- **3. That brings up a list of categories**, e.g., General Curriculum, Art, Bible... Visitors can easily browse through all these categories by clicking "Previous" or "Next" at the top of each page.
- 4. Your link will be placed in the relevant Category page inside the relevant Hall. Your link will have your site title as a "hot link" that links directly to your site, plus 15 words of "teaser" ad copy provided by you. This copy is best used not to describe your site in depth, but rather to intrigue the visitor and make him or her curious enough to visit your site.

That's all there is to it!

\*Compared to general-purpose homeschool sites, using popularity tools such as those cited in this report

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| Homeschool Mall<br>• A world of homeschool<br>resources! | Hore Articles Added!<br>Check out the new articles in our<br>articles.area! | Homeschool World Poll<br>What is the greatest                          | Big Book of Home<br>Learning: Shop here<br>for your educational<br>goodies and help<br>support this site! |

## IF YOU WANT EVEN MORE TRAFFIC...

The Official

Web Site of

Practical

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Try one of our banners or buttons! They're available on a selection of our most-visited pages.

**What Is a Banner?** A banner is a large 240 x 60 pixels in size, and placed in the upper right blue area of our page. It can be animated, meaning it changes messages every so often. To see an example of an animated banner,

demonstrating how it shows up against a section of our page header, visit one of these URLs:

- http://www.home-school.com
- http://www.home-

school.com/mall/curriculum/

http://www.home-school.com/groups/AL.html

**What Is a Button?** We have recently upgraded ALL our buttons to be the same size as Home Page buttons: 139 pixels wide by 69 pixels high. And, buttons can now be animated! Buttons will be placed in the left- or right-hand margin, depending on the page.



Visit the Homeschool Mall<sup>™</sup>!

Easy-to-use links

to sites you should see

Not to scale. Banner is area inside white box. This example of an animated banner switches actively from the text above, to the text below, plus two additional more rollover boxes!

Curriculum Hall

Software Hall

Events Hall

To see a Home Page button, look on the left-hand side of this page:

• http://www.home-school.com

**Only One Banner Per Page.** The big advantage of a banner is there is only one per page. It's like owning the corner lot downtown - once you have that space, no competitor can have it. It's bigger than a button as well. A button is smaller and costs less, but there can be multiple buttons per page.

**No Hidden Charges.** We charge a flat rate for each banner or button placement, based on how much traffic the particular page gets, so you'll always know in advance exactly how much you'll be spending. Also, since we don't rotate buttons or banners from different suppliers in the same spot, as many sites do that offer "pay per view" pricing, people are far more likely to view your banner.

**Your Banner or Button Loads Faster On Our Site.** Our pages are hand-coded for speed and include no off-site files, so your banner appears much sooner than it would on most other sites. Bottom line: our pages load faster, meaning more visitors and happier visitors!

**Your Cancellation Privileges.** Cancel anytime, and get a pro-rated refund, less the \$50 setup fee. This means that if you sign up for a year, but cancel after 3 months, you'll get back <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> of your ad payment, minus \$50. You are never "locked in."

Thank you for your interest, and we look forward to seeing you on our site!

Yours truly, Mary Pride, Publisher

# **Check Our Popularity for Yourself...**

Other sites may tell you they reach lots of homeschoolers. But can they prove it?

Go to http://www.yahoo.com, then follow this sequence: Education . . . K-12 . . . Homeschooling. You'll bring up a screen like this one.

Notice that our site, Homeschool World, is the most popular in this category.

Want more?

If you'd like to check your web popularity v. other sites, or for that matter the popularity of any site where you're considering advertising, here is a link you can use. Check us out for yourself!



Go to **http://marketleap.com/publinkpop/default.htm** (You might want to enter this URL into your browser. It's a really cool tool!)

It will bring up a screen into which you can enter your URL (or any other site address you choose) and up to three more.

On 9/10/04, I selected our site (<u>home-school.com</u>) and three of our foremost competitors: <u>homeschool.com</u>, <u>homeschool.crosswalk.com</u>, and <u>theoldschoolhouse.com</u>.

Note that we are the site with the hyphen in its name, about 1/2 as popular as Coke.com, and 1/3 as popular as Macys.com.

Limited Presence - 0 to 1,000 references Average Presence - 1,001 to 5,000 Above Avg. Presence - 5,001 to 20,000 Contender - 20.001 to 100.000 Player - 100,001 to 500,000 900 lb Gorilla - 500,001 and up Current Benchmark: General Category NEW! Click here for your trend/history report. **→** GENERATE NEW REPORT General Category Google URL Lis HetBei MSN 13 3 6 2 2 164 <u>33</u> <u>34</u> <u>45</u> 44 8 alaca com 206 45 113 8 19 21 215 44 40 ertailing o 48 62 21 264 1,354 265 497 58 280 3,273 <u>818</u> <u>834</u> 65 <u>799</u> <u>757</u> 3.285 704 1,200 150 629 602 4.628 867 1,700 278 896 887 5,514 698 812 79 1,981 1,944 7,438 1,385 2,040 2,050 539 1.424 7,558 1,914 2,560 297 1,400 1,387 9,422 2,266 2,980 2,115 2,061 15,611 1,404 8,740 2,642 2,629 chool.com 🚽 17,912 4,290 5,810 424 3,705 3,683 38.021 7,332 21,000 874 4,386 4,429

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As you can see, we far outweigh even our nearest homeschool competitor in link popularity.

So if you want to reach homeschoolers . . . you've come to the right place!

Last updated 5/15/03 Supersedes all previous forms.

## HOMESCHOOL WORLD® LINK INSERTION FORM

All links are placed in our Homeschool Mall<sup>™</sup> area, or (by special arrangement) on our State pages. For example, if you have a store for local homeschoolers in Florida, you might wish to advertise on our Florida page.

If you want us to link to you, but DO NOT wish to link back to us, that is a **Nonreciprocal Link**. If you are willing to link back to us, that is a **Reciprocal Link**.

To create an acceptable reciprocal link to Homeschool World, place the following HTML text (or similar) on your home page or links page (not buried deep within your site). Feel free to change the descriptive wording slightly as necessary to suit your site's tone:

Other Sites of Interest<br><a href="http://www.home-school.com">Homeschool World</a><br/>Lots of good articles about homeschooling, plus access to the<br/>latest products, groups, and events, a forum / experts area, and<br/>much, much more!

#### Bring the world of homeschoolers to your door. Fill out this form and fax it in today!

| YES! Sign me up for a link from H    | omeschool World! |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Name                                 | Title            |
| Product Advertised                   |                  |
| Company Name                         |                  |
| Address                              |                  |
| City                                 |                  |
| Phone Fax                            | Email            |
| Category Desired: #1 Preference      | #2 Preference    |
| Your URL (web site address):         |                  |
| 15 words or less describing your sit | e:               |

| want a Reciprocal Link for      | I want a Non-Reciprocal Link for      |
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| MC/VISA/AmX/Discover #          | Exp. Date/                            |
| I have read and agree to Homeso | hool World's terms and conditions.    |
| Signature                       | Date/                                 |
| R                               | eturn with payment to:                |
|                                 | Rd., Fenton MO 63026-2635. Fax: (636) |

Subsequent payments will be billed or charged at current rates as the old payment expires. Cancel anytime and receive a pro-rated refund, less \$50 set-up fee

# HOMESCHOOL WORLD® BUTTON INSERTION FORM

Only a few buttons can appear on a page make one of them yours!

Your LOGO, NAME, or OFFER can be your button!

## IT'S AS EASY AS 1-2-3!

- 1. Send us a check or your credit card information
- 2. Fill out and mail or fax the form below
- 3. Email your button to bill@home-school.com.

#### Bring the world of homeschoolers to your door. Fill out this form and fax it in today!

| YES! Sign me up for a button | om Homeschool World (www.home-school.com)! |  |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| Name                         | Title                                      |  |
| Product Advertised           |  |  |
| Company Name                 |  |  |
| Address                      |  |  |
| City                         | State Zip                                  |  |
| Phone                        | ax Email                                   |  |

The web site address to which we will link your button:\_

| Page                                       | Year      | Six Months | <b>Three Months</b> |
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| Home Page Ask about monthly payment plan   | □\$10,000 | □ \$5,500  | □ \$2,750           |
| Events Page ONLY 2 AVAILABLE               | □ \$4,000 | □ \$2,500  | □ \$1,500           |
| Contests Page ONLY 2 AVAILABLE             | □ \$3,000 | □ \$1,750  | 900                 |
| Mall Main Page ONLY 4 AVAILABLE            | □ \$2,500 | □ \$1,500  | □ \$850             |
| Articles Main Page ONLY 4 AVAILABLE        | □ \$2,500 | □ \$1,500  | □ \$850             |
| Groups Main Page ONLY 2 AVAILABLE          | □ \$2,000 | □\$1,200   | □ \$750             |
| Curriculum Hall Page ONLY 4 AVAILABLE      | □ \$1,500 | □ \$850    | □ \$500             |
| Other Hall Page (specify) ONLY 4 AVAILABLE | □ \$1,000 | □ \$650    | □ \$400             |
| Experts Main Page ONLY 4 AVAILABLE         | □ \$750   | □ \$400    | □ \$250             |
| Forum Main Page ONLY 4 AVAILABLE           | □ \$750   | □ \$400    | □ \$250             |
| Category Page (specify category)           | □ \$700   | □ \$375    | n/a                 |
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| Signature   | Date        | / |

**Return with payment to:** 

Home Life, Inc., 1731 Smizer Mill Rd., Fenton MO 63026-2635. Fax: (636) 225-0743 Subsequent payments will be billed or charged at current rates as the old payment expires.

together your graphics into an animated button! and fax it in today! hool.com)!

5Last updated 6/9/04. Supersedes all previous forms.

Button must be,

139 pixels wide

x 69 pixels high.

Maximum file

size: 15K. Multiple frames

allowed! Send as

animated .gif, or let us "stitch"

## Last updated 6/9/04. **HOMESCHOOL WORLD® BANNER INSERTION FORM**

**Only one** banner can appear at the top of a page make it yours!

Your banner can include **TEX**. graphics **Secret ()**, even

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240 pixels wide **60 pixels** high

Supersedes all previous forms.

## IT'S AS EASY AS 1-2-3!

- 1. Send us a check or your credit card information
- 2. Fill out and mail or fax the form below
- 3. Email your banner to bill@home-school.com.

### Bring the world of homeschoolers to your door. Fill out this form and fax it in today!

| YES! Sign me up for a banner from Homeschool World   | l (www.home-school.com)! |
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| Name   | _ Title                  |
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| Company Name   |                          |
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| Phone Fax  | _ Email                  |
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The web site address to which we will link your banner:

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| □ \$5,500 | □ \$3,000  | Other Hall Page (specify)  | □ \$1,500   | □\$850  |
| □ \$4,000 | □ \$2,500  | Experts Main Page  | □ \$1,000   | □ \$600   |
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I have read and agree to Homeschool World's terms and conditions.

Signature

I want this Category

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# HOMESCHOOL WORLD® TERMS & CONDITIONS

- Ad prices are locked in for the term of this contract. Otherwise, prices and conditions are subject to change without notice.
- We reserve the right to refuse or cancel any ad at any time. Ads that we cancel will receive pro-rated refunds less \$50 setup fee.
- The advertiser and the agency (if any) agree to assume all legal liability, losses, and legal fees related to their links placed on our web site. These include but are not limited to claims and suits for plagiarism, libel, copyright infringement, trademark violations, harm to minors, or invasion of privacy. They indemnify and hold harmless this company and its owners and workers from any such charges or suits.
- We reserve the right to select the most appropriate category for your link, although we welcome suggestions as to your desired category. Upon acceptance, banners & buttons will be placed on the page you selected.
- If you pay for a reciprocal link, and then fail to put up a link from your home page or links page to our site within a two-week period as agreed, you agree to pay us for the difference between the reciprocal and nonreciprocal link price for the service period. If you paid by credit card, you agree we are authorized to charge your card the difference in that event.
- We will not be responsible for events beyond our control which cause our site to go down in full or in part. We also will not be liable for any losses due to the site being inaccessible.
- If we make a typo in your link description or URL, our liability is limited to fixing it. Although we double-check all our work, it is your responsibility to visit our Homeschool Mall area and check that your link is functioning correctly.
- If you change your URL, or remove your site from the web, it is your responsibility to tell us right away. We are not responsible to refund any amounts for a link to a nonviable URL unless we are notified and a refund is requested in writing. There will be no retroactive refunds, regardless of how long a link has been inactive; refunds are calculated based on the date we are notified of the cancellation.
- If you paid by credit card, you hereby authorize Home Life, Inc., to charge your credit card for each web link, banner, or button you have signed up for when each term of service expires, unless you have previously canceled that link, banner, or button.
- You may cancel your ad any time and receive a pro-rated refund of the amount already paid, less the nonrefundable \$50 set-up fee.
- Cancellations must be sent by fax or mail on your letterhead, with an authorized signature.
- No conditions other than those set forth in this rate sheet shall be binding on us unless specifically agreed to in writing by Bill or Mary Pride.