

## **Research Study Project: Literacy and Writing Skills in Homeschooled vs. Public-Schooled Students**

### **Intro:**

Writing and literacy skills are one of the key elements in one's education and upbringing. I would like to research and analyze the differences between those who are raised in a public school setting and those who are homeschooled. The reason I would like to conduct this study is because there is a lack of research studying the literacy and writing outcomes of those who are homeschooled. Previous studies from research I have completed showed that homeschooled students had a lower literacy level and writing skills than those enrolled in a public school. Studying the skills and methods of those who are homeschooled and public-schooled will be necessary for this research. This study will explore the skills and methodologies of both groups to provide a clearer picture of their educational outcomes.

### **Methods:**

Most research studies I have previously reviewed regarding this topic involved about 50-100 students per classification. In total, this study will be composed of 400 participants. I would like to involve 80 students from a public school in a wealthier area and 80 from a more city and lower income area. In addition to those 160 students, 80 homeschooled students from a wealthier area and 80 from a lower-income setting are what should be a part of this study. Students' education levels will range from third grade through seventh. Additionally, contacts will be made with the parents or guardians of the homeschooled participants to discuss and understand their educational curriculums. An interview-like conversation will be conducted with