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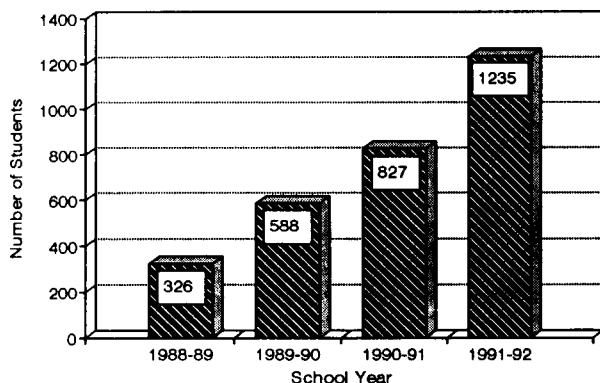
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## High School at Home Growing Fast!

from Howard Richman

Every measure of the numbers of students in home education at the high school level in Pennsylvania shows fast growth. For example, statistics from the Department of Education, show that the number of students in Pennsylvania Home Education Programs who were 14 years old or older grew by 49% from 1990-91 to 1991-92 as shown in the graph below:

Students in Home Education  
14 years of age and older



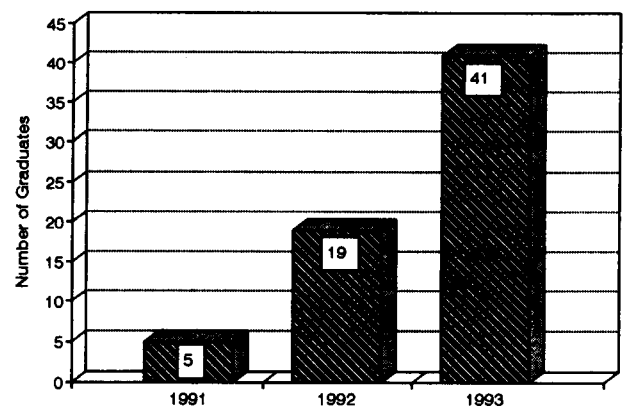
There are several reasons for this rapid growth:

1. Homeschooling in general has been growing fast, though not quite as fast. From 1990-91 to 1991-92 the number of homeschooled students in general grew by 33% while the number of students 14 and older grew by 49%.
2. Homeschooled students have been getting older.
3. Recognition of home education program diplomas by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency has encouraged many families to continue or begin homeschooling at the high school level.

• Masthead by Jesse Richman - age 16 •

The growth in homeschooling at the high school level can also be seen in the number of students graduating with diplomas accredited by the PA Homeschoolers Accreditation Agency as shown in the graph below:

PA Homeschoolers Graduates



Our graduates have not been having any trouble getting admitted to college, and by all reports have been doing very well in college. We will periodically survey our graduates to see how well they are doing. If they do as well as homeschooled adults surveyed by University of Michigan Professor J. Gary Knowles, as reported on page 2, we will have good reason to be proud of them.

### Attention High School Students

If you plan to graduate with a PA Homeschoolers diploma, be sure to put our school code number on the forms when you register for the SAT's. Our school code number is 392-057. We may have enough students taking the SAT's this year for the College Board to publicly report our average scores. These scores could be the first report of how well homeschoolers do on their college boards.