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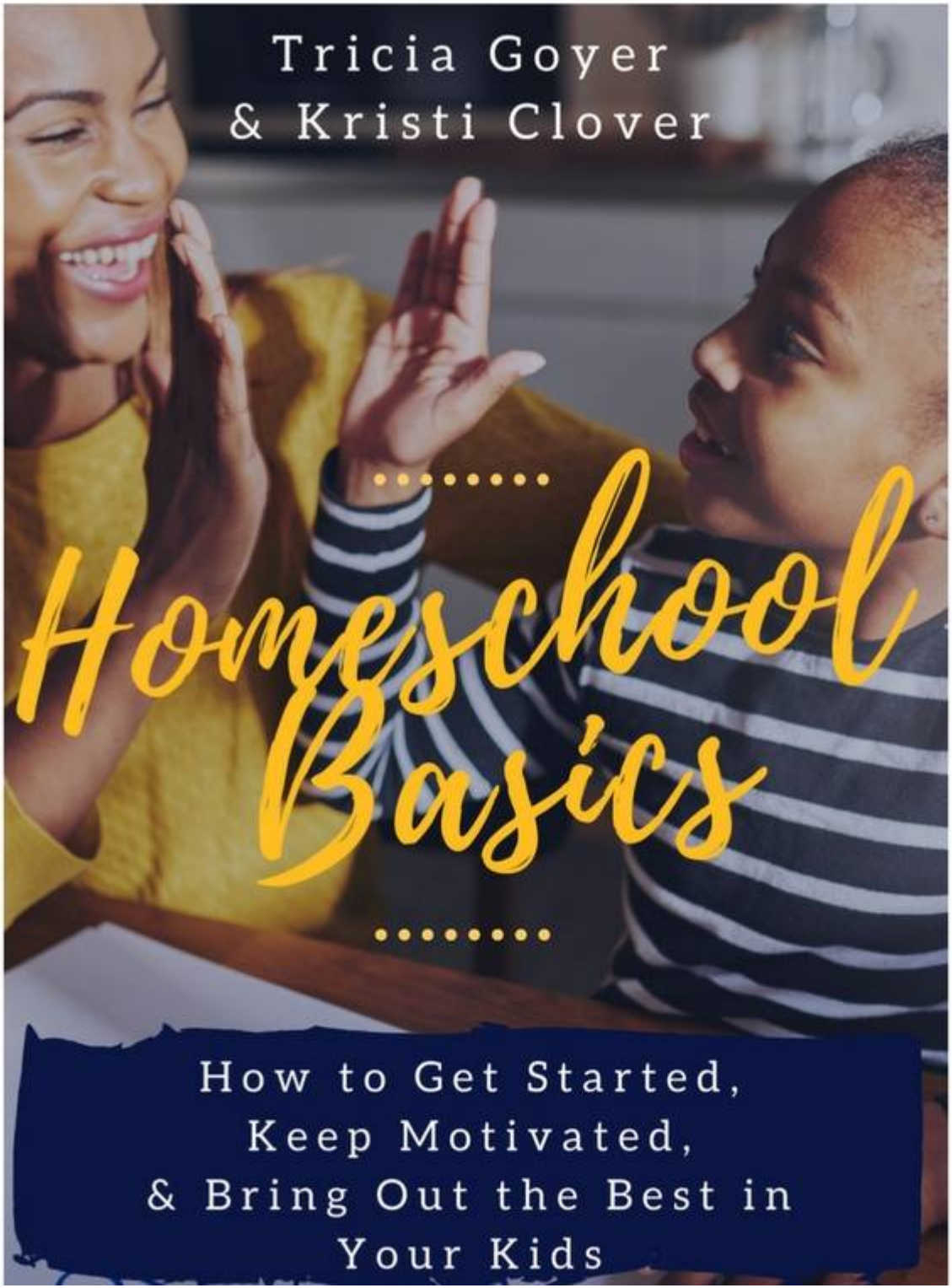
HOMESCHOOL BASICS

Everyone needs:
A good foundation ...
The right motivation ...
And a desire to bring out the best in our kids!



ONCE UPON A TIME... OUR HOMESCHOOL STORIES BEGAN

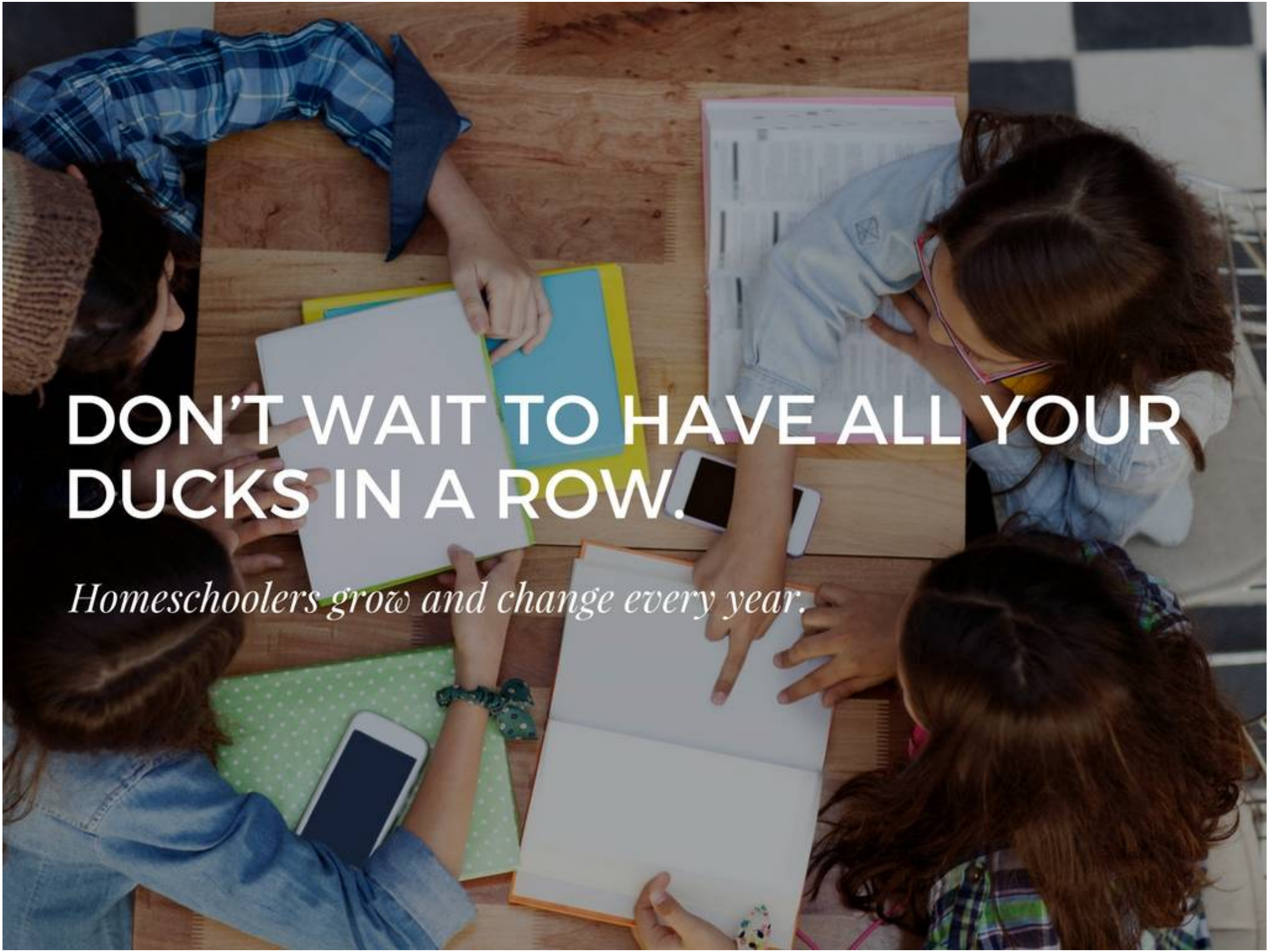
STATE REGULATIONS.

Homeschool Legal Defense Association www.hslda.org

DON'T COMPARE YOURSELF TO OTHERS.

Don't compare your weaknesses with someone else's strengths.

DON'T DO SOMETHING
JUST BECAUSE
SOMEONE ELSE IS
DOING IT.
Follow what gives life to you and your child as
you teach


DON'T WAIT TO HAVE ALL YOUR DUCKS IN A ROW.
Homeschoolers grow and change every year.

DON'T COMPARE YOUR HOMESCHOOL TO PUBLIC SCHOOL.

Rejoice in all the opportunities open to our kids as homeschoolers. Make learning an adventure.

Give your kids (and yourself!) lots of grace.

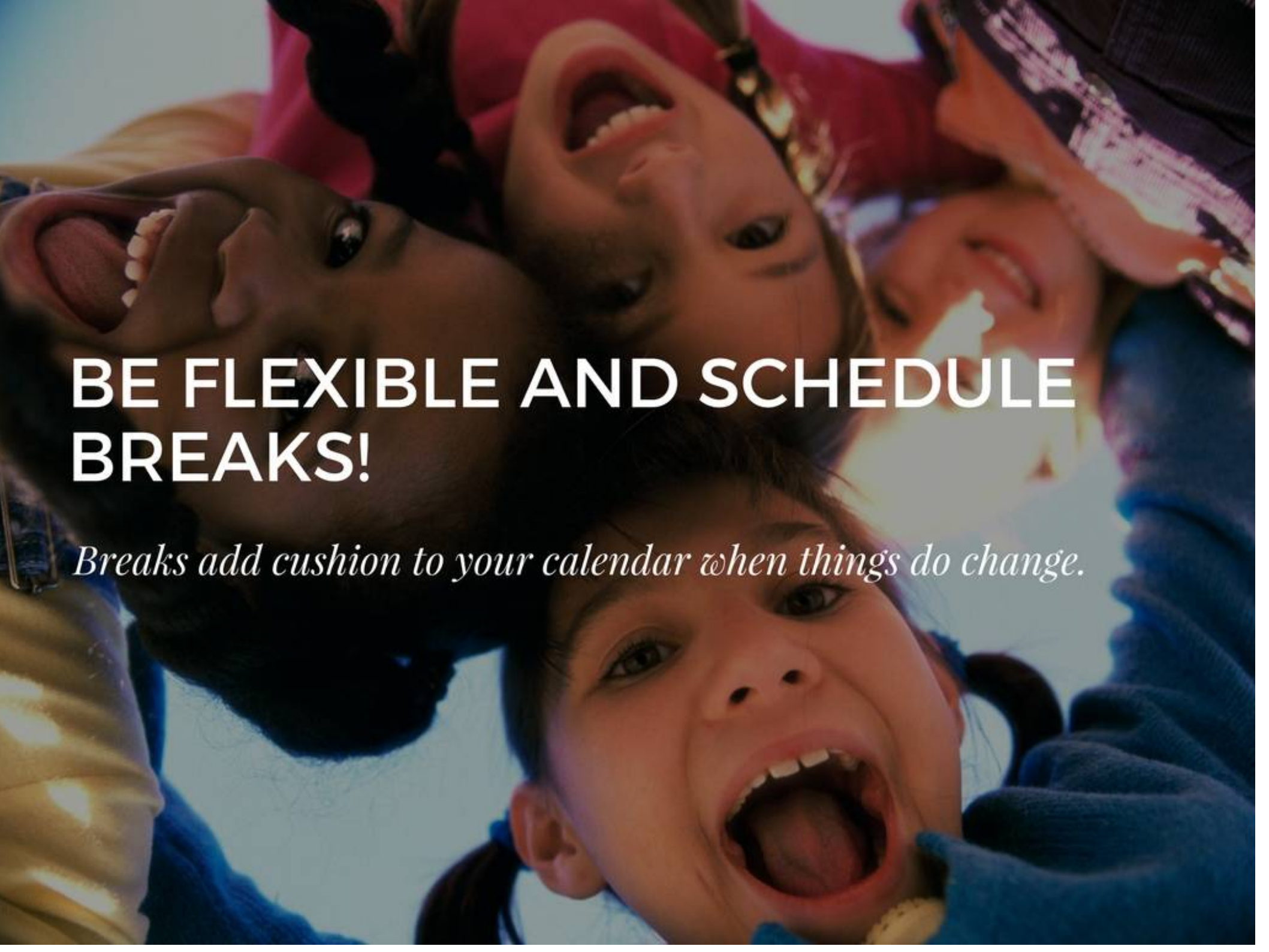
SLOW DOWN.

There is no rush.

This is your school.

KNOW THERE WILL TO BE HARD DAYS.

Don't let one bad week (or bad month) discourage you.


BE FLEXIBLE AND SCHEDULE BREAKS!
Breaks add cushion to your calendar when things do change.

KNOW IT'S OKAY TO SKIP THINGS!

No one ever finishes the complete curriculum.

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KEEP YOUR FOCUS ON YOUR "WHY"

Remember why you started and write it down.

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength. These commandments that I give you today are to be on your hearts. Impress them on your children. Talk about them when you sit at home and when you walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up. Tie them as symbols on your hands and bind them on your foreheads. Write them on the doorframes of your houses and on your gates."

DEUTERONOMY. 6:5-9

God has good plans
for our children's future

OUR CHILDREN CAN IMPACT THE WORLD IN WAYS WE CAN'T IMAGINE.
Go ye into all the world ...

WHAT KEEPS US MOTIVATED?

SOCIALIZATION

Through homeschooling, they interact with siblings, neighbors, kids on community sports teams, and friends of all ages in our ethnically-diverse church.

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INFLUENCE
I want my thoughts, opinions and values to matter more to my children than those of other kids, teachers, and society.

FAMILY BONDING

Friends will come and go through life, but our children will have their family forever.

CONFIDENCE
I want their confidence to come from their skills, character, and talents and not because they dress or behave in a way deemed cool or popular according to the trends of the moment.

REAL LIFE EXPERIENCES

My children aren't confined to one room all day, they experience the real life in the real world around them.

FAITH
It's trusting in the good future for my kids that I can't see.

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BRING OUT THE BEST IN YOUR KIDS

Character Starts with You

- The only way I can be faithful is to be filled with Christ.
- Before I can expect exceptional character in my kids, I need to look in the mirror.
- Homeschooling gives our kids an up-close look at our lives

HELPING YOUR KIDS DEVELOP A LIFELONG LOVE FOR LEARNING

TAKING ADVANTAGE
OF TEACHABLE
MOMENTS