

## Certified Evaluators Serving Central PA

Evaluator Name	Telephone	E-mail Address	Typical Fee	HAHA Mbr.
<a href="#">Betty Allen</a>	717-896-2648	<a href="mailto:sballen01@comcast.net">sballen01@comcast.net</a>	\$30-\$35 Additional students \$15	No
<a href="#">Linda Blocker</a>	717-545-6039	<a href="mailto:cablocker@verizon.net">cablocker@verizon.net</a> <a href="http://mysite.verizon.net/cablocker">http://mysite.verizon.net/cablocker</a>	\$35 - \$60	Yes
<a href="#">Donna Botterbusch</a>	717-292-5379	<a href="mailto:DonnaBotterbusch@gmail.com">DonnaBotterbusch@gmail.com</a>	\$35, Additional fee for letters & transcripts	No
<a href="#">Gail Brubaker</a>	717-432-4890	<a href="mailto:info@applied-grammar.com">info@applied-grammar.com</a>	\$30.00	No
<a href="#">Maryann Diedwardo</a>	610-349-1573	<a href="mailto:diedwardo7@rcn.com">diedwardo7@rcn.com</a>	\$50.00	No
<a href="#">Sandra L. Elliott</a>	717-582-7527	<a href="mailto:Elliott8@pa.net">Elliott8@pa.net</a> 717-580-5206 (cell)	\$25 one student/\$50 per family	No
<a href="#">Shellie R. Glass</a>	None	<a href="mailto:hsstagemom@msn.com">hsstagemom@msn.com</a>	Varies	No
<a href="#">Patti Hunt</a>	717-465-9838	<a href="mailto:homeschoolmarm@yahoo.com">homeschoolmarm@yahoo.com</a>	\$20-\$50, Sibling discounts	No

Karen Keitel	717-697-6016	<a href="mailto:keitel93@verizon.net">keitel93@verizon.net</a>	\$45 1 <sup>st</sup> child \$5 less ea. child after that	Yes
Cindy King	717-458-3642	<a href="mailto:kingzoo@comcast.net">kingzoo@comcast.net</a>	\$35 - \$40	Yes
Kathy O'Donnell	717-245-2938	<a href="mailto:odonnelk@dickinson.edu">odonnelk@dickinson.edu</a> <a href="http://pianomom7.blogspot.com">pianomom7.blogspot.com</a>	Varies	No
Alicia K. Shaffer, M.Ed.	717-578-2750	<a href="mailto:Aliciak17@comcast.net">Aliciak17@comcast.net</a>	Varies \$30 - \$50	In Process
Shelly Taylor	717-938-1135	<a href="mailto:info@iTestEval.com">info@iTestEval.com</a> <a href="http://www.iTestEval.com">www.iTestEval.com</a>	\$38 and up see website for details	Yes

## Certified Evaluators Credentials & Qualifications

Name	Years Home schooling	Years Evaluating	Personal Home schooling Style	Elementary Secondary Special Needs	Additional Services
Betty Allen	13	8	Varies but includes Traditional homeschooling as well as cyber-schooling	E Some S	Erie diploma program, Reading Specialist
Linda Blocker	14	18	Variety of unit studies, literature based studies, textbooks, and DVD courses	E S SN	Testing, Consultations, Transcript for PHAA, Erie, Mason/Dixon, Susq. Valley & Parent Issued Diplomas
Donna Botterbusch	20	5	"Relaxed" with both traditional & hands-on	E S	Consultations, high school transcripts, high school advice
Gail Brubaker	1 17/public	4	Independent & hands-on	E S SN (Elem)	Consultation
Maryann Diedwardo	10	2	Combination	E S SN	Tutoring, Consultation
Sandra L. Elliott	20+	20+	Unschooler	E S SN	Standardized Testing (SAT only 3,5,8)
Shellie R. Glass	12+	13+		E S SN	Testing, consultation
Patti Hunt	12+ 6/public 1/private	7	Charlotte Mason	E S	

Karen Keitel	7	9	Varies	E S SN	Testing, new consultations, advocate, Certified for PHAA, Susq. Valley, & Mason/Dixon diploma programs
Cindy King	5	5		E	n/a
Kathy O'Donnell	22	12	Varies. Textbooks, unit studies, living books	E S	n/a
Alicia K. Shaffer, M.Ed.	1	First year	Real-life experiences, Various teaching methods (purchased and created)	E S-reading SN – reading ESL	Reading specialist including focus on primary literacy skills & writing, tutoring, cyberschool coach (PA Cyber), PHAA, ESL, Consulting for ideas & tools as well as organization, behavior mgm, and other personalized services
Shelly Taylor	23 years 7 children	14	Balanced between published curriculum and life experiences	E S SN	Testing, consultations, workshops, Website: <a href="http://www.iTesteval.com">www.iTesteval.com</a> Approved for PHAA, Mason/Dixon, Erie, Susq. Valley, & Buxmont Diploma Programs

## Certified Evaluators Personal Messages

Evaluator Name	What makes you unique?	Personal Message
Betty Allen	I do not "quiz" students during our interview. I praise them for their work and gently mention areas of weakness if necessary, along with suggestions for improvement.	Evaluations are a necessary task; I try to make them as painless and positive as possible.
Linda Blocker	I am a very flexible evaluator who believes that parents know what works best for their children. I evaluate all styles of homeschooling. I do give advice and assistance when needed.	Having personally homeschooled 1 <sup>st</sup> through 12 <sup>th</sup> grades, I have experimented with many curriculums. My five children are very different in learning styles which has given me the challenges that many families have and are experiencing. It has given me a personal perspective on those difficult homeschooling years.
Donna Botterbusch	I am unique in that all my experience is in the homeschooling community, with extensive knowledge of homeschool materials	Homeschool mom, children graduated 2004 and 2009. Evaluating for 5 years with approval/Act 169 -"At the request of the supervisor, persons with other qualifications may conduct the evaluation with the prior consent of the district of residence superintendent."
Gail Brubaker	I bring with me a great understanding of how children think, along with years of experience dealing with gifted, average & special needs children	Helping children to find success is my calling.

<p>Maryann Diedwardo</p>	<p>Professional educator, homeschool mom, evaluator, Christian world view, Adjunct Professor Lehigh University, writer, artist</p>	
<p>Sandra L. Elliott</p>	<p>I love what I'm doing...it's a walk of Faith</p>	<p>Watch your thoughts...they become your words. Watch your words... they become your actions. Watch your actions... they become your habits. Watch your habits... they become your character. Watch your character...it becomes your destiny.</p>
<p>Shellie R. Glass</p>	<p>My philosophy is to only give the state exactly what the state homeschooling law requires</p>	<p>I've learned....That a smile is an inexpensive way to improve your looks</p>
<p>Patti Hunt</p>	<p>I work with families throughout the school year to be sure they are meeting state requirements. I do not believe that all learning comes from a textbook and that we should embrace teachable moments.</p>	<p>For the 2009-2010 school year, I will not do evaluations for families in Gettysburg School District unless the family is a member of HSLDA. I will reconsider my position yearly. I'm happy to discuss and explain my position with anyone who wishes.</p>
<p>Karen Keitel</p>	<p>One of the most important things for me as an evaluator is to determine the family's goals and try and evaluate along those lines. I do not impose my own ideas or make the students follow my personal standards. Also, as an ex-English teacher, I am often asked to edit or help set deadlines for long papers or help with writing in general, which I love to do. In addition, I also will negotiate if money is a hardship or will trade evaluation services for something you have to offer (i.e.: sewing, cleaning, babysitting, etc.)</p>	<p>Homeschooling is hard enough without being in fear of what the evaluator might say. My goal is to erase that fear and help encourage parents and students that they're doing well. 99% of families are doing incredible jobs, are too hard on themselves, and should not walk away feeling like they didn't do enough. If there is a real lack, I strategize with the parents to remedy it.</p>

Cindy King		Your evaluation is a chance for you and your child to “show and tell” what you have accomplished, learned, and created this year. It should be an enjoyable opportunity to showcase your accomplishments in a non-threatening environment.
Kathy O’Donnell	God has given me gifts of empathy, kindness, friendliness, and musical ability. I love to encourage homeschooling mothers. There are lots of ways to homeschool – every parent has the wisdom they need to teach their own offspring!	My husband and I have seven children ages 8 – 22. Our oldest is a senior at Messiah College. Homeschooling the children has been a wonderful experience for our family. Homeschooling has been a lifestyle for us – and a perfect way for us as Christians to teach our children what is most important for them to learn – who God is, what God has done, and what God requires.
Alicia K. Shaffer, M.Ed.	I enjoy sharing by background, educ. & love of teaching. Experience in helping families with literacy. I enjoy the creativity and flexibility of the hsing community as well as the warm & welcoming feeling of hsing families. Background includes: homeschooling mom, elementary teacher, reading specialist (K-12), freelance writer (parenting & educ. Publications), cyber school coach, early literacy/educ. Consultant for pre-schools & families	This is the first year that I have the wonderful privilege of homeschooling my daughter. Through this experience, I have learned about a new world that exists within education. Being able to watch your child grow and learn is something so special and being part of the education experience on that level is amazingly rewarding.
Shelly J. Taylor	My website. Experience as a mom homeschooling seven children, an evaluator and testing administrator and a working knowledge of the homeschool law. Also offering evaluations and testing from my home and five convenient locations.	I love working with homeschooling families regardless of their homeschool philosophy, curriculum, or experience. (It’s reassuring to realize the concerns and fears we face are common to all homeschooling families.) I enjoy relating to those who are just starting their homeschooling journey all the way through to those who are about to graduate. Evaluations to me are not only about certifying if “an appropriate education” took place, but also about encouraging and sharing.