

2412 HOME INSTRUCTION DUE TO HEALTH CONDITION

~~The Board of Education will provide instruction in lieu of classroom instruction to:~~

- ~~1. Pupils who are determined by the school medical inspector to need confinement at their residence for at least two weeks;~~
- ~~2. Pupils classified as disabled when it can be documented that no other program option is appropriate at that time;~~
- ~~3. Pupils confined to a hospital, convalescent home, or other medical institution for at least a two-week period of time and determined by the school medical inspector to need home instruction or classified by the Child Study Team as disabled; and~~
- ~~4. Pupils suspended from school for more than ten (10) school days.~~

~~Applications for home instruction shall state the reason for which such instruction is requested and state the probable duration of the pupil's absence.~~

~~Home instruction shall commence as soon as a pupil's eligibility has been established and will be offered by teachers appropriately certified as teachers of the disabled or for the subject or level in which the instruction is given. Pupils on home instruction will receive a program that meets the Board's requirements for promotion and graduation or, in the case of disabled pupils, the pupil's individualized education program, and conforms to rules of the State Board of Education. Home instruction for disabled pupils will conform to N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.8 and 4.9 and Policy and Regulation No. 2460.2.~~

~~In the event home instruction to a single pupil may exceed sixty calendar days in a school year, the Superintendent shall refer the pupil to the Child Study Team for a determination of the pupil's eligibility for Special Services and/or related services.~~

~~The Board reserves the right to withhold home instruction when the reason for the pupil's confinement is such as to expose a teacher to a health hazard or dangerous home situation, a parent or legal guardian, or other responsible adult is not present during the hours of instruction, or the condition of the pupil is such as to preclude benefit from such instruction.~~

~~Pupils on home instruction will be carried on an individual home instruction register. The name of a pupil on home instruction will not be released at a public Board meeting or placed in a public record.~~

~~N.J.S.A. 18A:46-10~~

~~N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.8 and 4.9.~~

The Board of Education will provide instructional services to an enrolled pupil whether a general education pupil in Kindergarten through grade twelve or a special education pupil age three to twenty-one at the pupil's home or another suitable out-of-school setting when the pupil is confined to the home or another out-of-school setting due to a temporary or chronic health condition or has a need for treatment which precludes participation in their usual education setting. These services will be provided when a pupil is determined by the school physician to need confinement at their residence or other suitable out-of-school setting and the projected need for confinement is for ten consecutive school days or fifteen cumulative school days or more during the school year.

Requests for home instruction shall include a written determination from the pupil's physician documenting the projected need for the pupil's confinement to their residence or other treatment setting for ten consecutive school days or fifteen or more cumulative school days during the school year. The written determination from the pupil's physician shall be forwarded to the school physician, who shall verify the need for home instruction. The parent(s) or legal guardian(s) shall be notified concerning the school physician's verification or reason(s) for denial within five school days after receipt of the written determination by the pupil's physician.

The school district shall provide instructional services within five school days after receipt of the school physician's verification or, if verification is made prior to the pupil's confinement, during the first week of the pupil's confinement to the home or out-of-school setting.

The home or out-of-school instruction shall meet the minimum standards as required in N.J.A.C. 6A:16-10.1(c). The school district will maintain a written plan for the delivery of instruction and the teacher providing instruction shall be appropriately certified for the subject, grade level, and special needs of the pupil pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:9. The teacher shall provide one-on-one instruction in accordance with the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:16-10.1(c)3.

For a pupil with disabilities, the home instruction shall be consistent with the pupil's IEP to the extent appropriate and shall meet the Core Curriculum Content Standards pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:8. When the provision for home instruction for a pupil with disabilities will exceed thirty consecutive school days in a school year, the IEP team shall convene a meeting to review and, if appropriate, revise the pupil's IEP.

For a pupil without disabilities, the home instruction shall meet the Core Curriculum Content Standards pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:8 and the district's requirements for promotion at that grade level. When the provision for home instruction for a pupil without disabilities will exceed sixty calendar days, the school physician will refer the pupil to the Child Study Team for evaluation according to the requirements of N.J.A.C. 6A:14.

The school district shall be responsible for the costs of providing instruction for pupils as required by N.J.A.C. 6A:16-10.1(b).

The Board reserves the right to withhold home instruction when the reason for the pupil's confinement is such as to expose a teacher to a health hazard or dangerous home situation, a parent(s) or legal guardian(s), or other responsible adult is not present during the hours of instruction, or the condition of the pupil is such as to preclude benefit from such instruction.

Pupils on home instruction will be accounted for on the attendance register as required by the Department of Education. The name of a pupil on home instruction will not be released at a public Board meeting or placed in a public record.

N.J.S.A. 18A:46-10
N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.8; 6A:14-4.9; 6A:16-10.1

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