Ashland School District 5

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Relations with Home-Schooled Students**

The district affirms the rights of parents to educate students at home, and acknowledges the education service district's role in registering and monitoring test results for students being instructed at home.

The Board recognizes the potential for some home-schooled students to benefit from the formal school program as well as from home-based instruction. Opportunity for partial enrollment will be extended to any student who requests attendance. Home-schooled students who receive instruction from district schools or programs will participate in statewide assessments appropriate to the courses in which they are enrolled.

The Board wishes to assist parents in the education of their children if a request is made through the superintendent. The district will provide basic course descriptions, state standards for elementary or secondary education, and, when available, may furnish textbooks with deposit of a loss/damage fee.

Families that are home-schooling their children may elect to participate in district programs on a part-time basis including, the part-time alternative program, Willow Wind Community Learning Center.

For the purposes of participating in district programs, a "home-schooled student" is defined as the following:

- 1. The student is not enrolled as a full-time public school student;
- 2. The student is registered with the Southern Oregon Educational Service District as a home-schooled student;
- 3. The student is participating in no more than eight hours of privately paid education programs per week. Activities excluded from these eight hours include sports, athletics, physical movement and religious instruction.

Only courses recognized by the state of Oregon will earn credits toward a diploma. The Board does not accept home-based instruction course credit toward graduation requirements.

Home-schooled students will be considered eligible for participation in district extracurricular activities if they meet the following criteria:

- 1. The student is in compliance with all the rules governing home schooling;
- 2. The student can meet the district's eligibility requirements with the exception of attendance;

- 3. The student can achieve the minimum score on an examination from the list adopted by the State Board of Education. The minimum composite test score that a student must achieve shall place the student at or above the 23rd percentile based on national norms. The examination shall be taken at the end of each school year. Students may participate while awaiting test results;
- 4. The student must fulfill the same responsibilities, standards of behavior and performance as other students participating in the activity;
- 5. The student must reside in the attendance boundaries of the school for which the student participates.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

ORS 326.051	ORS 339.460	OAR 581-021-0071
ORS 339.030		OAR 581-021-0210
ORS 339.035	OAR 581-021-0026 to-0029	OAR 581-022-1350
ORS 339.430	OAR 581-021-0033	