

Relations with Home-Schooled Students and Private School Students

The district recognizes the rights of parents to either educate students at home or at a private school and acknowledges the education service district's role in registering and monitoring test results for students who are being taught at home. Further, the Board is willing to assist parents of home schooled students in this endeavor if a request is made through the superintendent.

Upon parental request to the superintendent, the district will provide for both home schooled and private school students:

1. A list of instructional materials used to carry out required instructional programs, a list of required graduation requirements and other reasonable information relating to the curriculum;
2. Standardized testing services upon request on the same schedule that such tests are regularly administered;
3. Use of building libraries subject to:
 - a. All rules and regulations of the building library;
 - b. A \$25 yearly refundable deposit subject to any assessment of fees.
4. Participation in selected special interest group activities, such as math or science clubs, chess clubs, etc. Such participation to be with the approval of and with the guidelines determined by the principal and other responsible persons.

Students may, upon parent request, be allowed to participate in district programs such as physical education programs, instrumental and vocal music programs, or other selected options if space and materials are available. Such students must then adhere to regular attendance procedures as established by the school and must avoid disruption of said programs.

Only courses recognized by the State of Oregon will earn credits toward a diploma. The Board reaffirms its prerogative not to accept home instruction course credit toward graduation requirements.

Home schooled students may participate in interscholastic activities if the following criteria are met:

1. The student can meet the district eligibility requirements except the district or class attendance requirements;
2. The student need not meet class requirements of the voluntary association administering the interscholastic activities;

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 parent shall submit the examination results to the district; or the district may adopt alternative requirements, in consultation with the parent, that a student must meet to participate in interscholastic activities, including, but not limited to, a requirement that a student submit a portfolio of work samples to the district for review to determine whether a student is eligible to participate in interscholastic activities;
5. The student must fulfill the same responsibilities and standards of behavior and performance including related class or practice requirements of other students participating in the interscholastic activity. The student must meet the same standards for acceptance on the team or squad. The student must also comply with all public school requirements during the time of participation.
6. The student must reside in the attendance boundaries of the school for which the student participates.

A private school student may participate in interscholastic activities if the following criteria are met:

1. Class attendance as required by the school where the athletic team is represented.
2. Academic standards as required by the school where the athletic team is represented.
3. Disciplinary standards, to include tobacco, alcohol and drug standards, as required by the school where the athletic team is represented and district policy.

An interscholastic activity is defined as an activity:

1. With optional student participation which complements the curriculum, encourages students' physical, academic or social development;
2. Supervised by school personnel;
3. Generally conducted outside the instructional day.

The district will not provide:

1. Current adopted text and/or supplemental materials. However, district officials may allow use of available copies of past adoptions or sample copies of publishers' materials;
2. Lesson plans or curriculum guides, except those related to the available materials in subsection 1, above;
3. Equipment, or use of during the school day. However, mutually agreeable arrangements may be made through the school principal to make use of selected equipment items at school during other hours;

4. Parents of a home schooled or private school student may request partial enrollment in district schools through the superintendent. Such may be allowed, provided that enrollment is for a continuous block of time. Students on partial enrollment are subject to the same rules, regulations and consequences as all other students.

Parents of a student on partial enrollment shall be responsible for the student at all times the student is not in class. The district assumes no obligation, nor will it be responsible for keeping track of or providing space, such as a study hall or library seat, to a student on partial enrollment when not in class. The student is not to loiter on school grounds and the parent is expected to pick up the student immediately following class or authorized library study time;

5. High school credits will not be awarded for courses through home instruction. Students who come under the provision of this section will not receive a Scappoose High School diploma;
6. Parents who elect home-schooling options are encouraged to pursue GED or community college diploma alternatives;
7. Notwithstanding the provisions of this section, the district will provide part-time instruction and related services (at the district's convenience) to identified, eligible (IDEA), disabled, home-schooled students with an Individualized Education Program as provided by law.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 326.051](#)
[ORS 339.030](#)
[ORS 339.035](#)
[ORS 339.430](#)

[ORS 339.460](#)
[OAR 581-021-0026 to-0029](#)
[OAR 581-021-0033](#)

[OAR 581-021-0071](#)
[OAR 581-021-0210](#)
[OAR 581-022-1350](#)