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Home Instruction Due to Health Condition

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[See POLICY ALERT Nos. 96, 108, 147, 177 and 203]

2412 HOME INSTRUCTION DUE TO HEALTH CONDITION

The Board of Education ~~will~~ **shall** provide instructional services to an enrolled ~~student, pupil~~ **student** whether a general education ~~student pupil~~ **student** in Kindergarten through grade twelve or a special education ~~student pupil~~ **student** age three to twenty-one, ~~at the pupil's home or another suitable out of school setting~~ when the ~~student pupil~~ **student** is confined to the home or another out-of-school setting due to a temporary or chronic health condition or ~~has~~ **has** a need for treatment ~~that which~~ **that** precludes participation in their usual education setting, ~~whether general or special education. 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.~~ **whether general or special education.**

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

The school district shall be responsible for the costs of providing instruction in the home or out-of-school setting either directly, or through online services, including any needed equipment, or through contract with another district Board of Education, Educational Services Commission, Jointure Commission, or approved clinic or agency. 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 ~~student's pupil's~~ **student's** confinement, during the first week of the ~~student's pupil's~~ **student's** confinement to the home or out-of-school setting.



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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 ~~shall will~~ **establish maintain** a written plan for the delivery of instruction and **maintain a record of delivery of instructional services and student progress**. ~~The~~ teacher providing instruction shall be ~~a appropriately~~ certified **teacher** 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.~~ **The teacher shall provide instruction for the number of days and length of time sufficient to continue the student's academic progress and dependent upon the student's ability to participate.**

For a ~~student pupil~~ with disabilities, the home instruction shall be consistent with the ~~student's pupil's~~ **Individualized Education Plan (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 ~~student 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 ~~student's pupil's~~ IEP.

For a ~~student pupil~~ without ~~disability~~ disabilities, the home instruction shall meet the Core Curriculum Content Standards, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 6A:8 and the district's requirements **of the Board** for promotion **to the next** at that grade level. When the provision for home instruction for a ~~student pupil~~ without ~~disability~~ disabilities will exceed sixty calendar days, the school physician ~~shall will~~ refer the ~~student pupil~~ to the Child Study Team for evaluation, ~~pursuant 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 ~~student's pupil's~~ confinement is such as to expose a teacher to a health hazard or dangerous home situation;; **when** a parent(s) ~~or legal guardian(s)~~, or other responsible adult **twenty-one years of age or older, who has been designated by the parent**, is not present during the hours of instruction;; or **when** the condition of the ~~student pupil~~ is such as to preclude benefit from such instruction.



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Students ~~Pupils~~ on home instruction will be accounted for on the attendance register as required by the Department of Education. The name of a **student 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~~ **18A:38-1 through 18A:38-25**

N.J.A.C. 6A:14-4.8; 6A:14-4.9; 6A:16-10.1

Adopted:

