

Home Schooling

The Board recognizes 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 who are being taught at home..

Further, the Board is willing to assist parents in this endeavor if a request is made through the superintendent. The Board will furnish basic course descriptions, state standards for elementary and secondary education, and, when available, may furnish basic instructional materials upon deposit of a loss/damage fee.

Students may, upon parent request, be allowed to participate in school 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. Parents are responsible for transportation for students attending selected school offerings.

The Board reaffirms its prerogative not to accept home instruction course credit toward graduation requirements. The Board shall evaluate transcripts and determine the value of prior credits and number of years of school attendance or equivalent for home-schooled students on a case-by-case basis.

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

1. The student is in compliance with all rules governing home schooling and can provide acceptable documentation of compliance to the school district;
2. Students 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 students 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 Monroe School District attendance boundaries.

An interscholastic activity is defined as an activity:

- ▶ With optional student participation which complements the curriculum, encourages students' physical, academic or social development;
- ▶ Is supervised by school personnel;
- ▶ Is generally conducted outside the instructional day.

END OF POLICY

Legal References:

- ORS 326.051
- ORS 339.030
- ORS 339.035
- ORS 339.430
- ORS 339.460
- OAR 581-21-026 to -029
- OAR 581-21-033
- OAR 581-21-034
- OAR 581-022-1350