

University Schools

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The homebound instruction program is for students who because of a medical condition are unable to attend the regular instructional program.¹ The homebound instruction program shall consist of three (3) hours of instruction per week while school is in session for a period of time determined, on a case-by-case basis, by the district.

To qualify for this program, a student shall have a medical condition that will require the student to be absent for a minimum of ten (10) consecutive instructional days, or for an aggregate of at least ten (10) instructional days for a student who has a chronic medical condition. The student shall be certified by his/her treating physician as having a medical condition that prevents him/her from attending regular classes. The services provided to the homebound student shall reflect the student's capabilities and be determined by the homebound instructor, after consultation with appropriate professional staff of the student's assigned school.

Recertification shall be obtained after the expiration of each period of homebound instruction if the student's treating physician certifies, in writing, that the student has a medical condition that prevents him/her from returning to regular classes.

It is the procedure of University Schools to give the same weight to grades awarded by a teacher of students on a hospital/homebound program as to the grades given by the regular teacher in the school. The grades reported by the hospital/homebound teacher are to be averaged with the grades the student has received while attending school. This would also include any tests, including both mid-term and final examinations. In the event the child was on the homebound program for less than two weeks, individual grades will be given. Otherwise, weekly averages will be given for a student on a hospital/homebound program for an extended period of time.

Legal References

1. TCA 49-10-1101;
2. TRR/MS 0520-01-02-.10