

# BURRILLVILLE SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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## HOME EDUCATION PROCEDURES

The Burrillville School Committee recognizes and respects the right of parents or guardians to educate their child(ren) at home. The School Committee appreciates the personal and cultural uniqueness of each family and desires to ensure that the process by which school officials approve and review home education programs is both lawful and equitable. Therefore, the following home education procedures have been established.

Parent(s) or guardian(s) planning to undertake a home education program for their child(ren) between their sixth and eighteenth birthday shall inform the Superintendent.

Home education programs shall be considered in an equitable and timely manner. Factors that may be considered by the Superintendent in deciding whether or not to approve a home education proposal are:

1. An overview of the educational program that is to include subjects and instructional materials. In order to meet the specific educational needs of their child(ren), the parent(s) or guardian(s) may adjust the material to achieve the goals of the educational program without further notification to the Superintendent's office.
2. A plan that meets the State's requirements for Length of School Day and establishes the instructional hours (Elementary - 5 hours/300 minutes; Secondary - 5 <sup>1/2</sup> hours/330 minutes) that will be provided.
3. A proposal regarding a format for an end-of-year progress review.

A student being educated in a home-based program within the District shall be informed of, and have access to, public school activities of either a curricular or extracurricular nature. Arrangements for such participation are to be in accordance with the generally accepted scheduling procedures of the schools.

The Burrillville School Department does not discriminate on the basis of age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, race, religion, national origin, color, creed, political affiliation or disability in any of its educational programs and activities, and in employment and application for employment, as required by Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972, the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, Title VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1965, the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and other federal and state laws that prohibit discrimination. Inquiries regarding non-discrimination policies will be handled by: Director of Pupil Personnel Services(DPPS), 2300 Broncos Highway, Harrisville, RI 02830. Telephone: (401) 568-1301; Email: [nondiscriminationinquiries@bsd-ri.net](mailto:nondiscriminationinquiries@bsd-ri.net). Inquiries may also be made directly to: Office for Civil Rights (Boston Office), U.S. Dept. of Education, 8<sup>th</sup> Floor, 5 Post Office Square, Boston, MA 02109-3921, Telephone: (617) 289-0111; Fax: (617) 289-0150; Email: [OCR.Boston@ed.gov](mailto:OCR.Boston@ed.gov). If you require an accommodation to attend a meeting or program at a school, call the DPPS at least two business days in advance of the meeting or program.

Whenever possible, if requested by the parent(s) or guardian(s), school personnel shall provide materials to students registered by the District, such as sample curricula and/or textbooks and other available educational support equipment and/or supplies.

Administrators are encouraged to give all assistance to home education families in their effort to provide appropriate information concerning their home education program. Parent(s) or guardian(s) are entitled to all due process rights with regard to this policy and with regard to any procedures followed and actions taken. During any resolution process, the parent(s) or guardian(s) may continue, but not commence, the education of their child(ren) at home.

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