

Home Instruction (Home Schooling)

The school district will communicate with parents/guardians who wish to provide home instruction for their children. The child who is educated at home should receive an education in a manner consistent with an educational plan and at least substantially equivalent to that given to students of like age and attainments in the local public schools. The required subjects should be taught in a competent, systematic, and sequential manner, specifically in relation to the required courses as enumerated in Commissioner's Regulation Section 100.10.

Primary responsibility for determining compliance with Commissioner's Regulations addressing home instruction rests with the Superintendent of Schools or designee of the school district in which a home-instructed student resides.

Provision of Services to Home-Instructed Students

They are not awarded a high school diploma. A high school diploma may only be awarded to a student enrolled in a registered secondary school who has completed all program requirements set by the Board of Regents, the school or the district.

a) Extracurricular Participation

Students instructed at home are not eligible to participate in interscholastic sports. Commissioner's Regulations mandate that only students enrolled in the public school are allowed to participate in interscholastic sports. Further, the district does not permit home-instructed students to participate in any extracurricular activities.

b) Textbooks and Materials

The district is not required to loan available textbooks and other materials (e.g., library materials, microscopes, computer software, movie projectors) to home-instructed students. The district shall not provide home-instructed students with such textbooks and materials.

c) Health Services

The district is not required to furnish health services.

d) Remedial Programs

The district is not responsible for providing remedial programs.

e) Career and Technical/Gifted Education

The district is not authorized to provide occupational and vocational education programs (career and technical education) nor programs for the gifted to home-instructed students.

Education Law Sections 3204, 3205, 3210(2), 3212(2), 3240-42, 3602-c, 3602-c(2-c), and 4402
8 New York Code of Rules and Regulations (NYCRR) Sections 100.10, 135.4(c)(7)(ii)(b)(2) and 200.2(a)