

HOMEBOUND, CORRESPONDENCE, AND ALTERNATIVE MEANS OF INSTRUCTION

Homebound Instruction

The School Board shall maintain a program of homebound instruction for ~~any~~ students who are confined or in a health care facility for periods that would prevent normal school attendance based upon certification of need by a licensed physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or clinical psychologist. ~~is unable to attend school because of a temporary physical or emotional disability.~~

~~Upon request of the student's parent or guardian, and provided such request is recommended by a physician, the Board shall furnish a teacher to instruct the student at home. Any credits earned shall be considered a part of the student's regular school work and recorded as such on the cumulative record.~~ Credit for the work shall be awarded when it is done under the supervision of a licensed ~~certified~~ teacher, a person eligible to hold a Virginia license~~certificate~~, or other appropriately licensed professional; employed by the ~~local~~ School Board, and there is evidence that the instructional time requirements or alternative means of awarding credit adopted by the School Board have been met.

Correspondence Courses

Students may enroll in and receive a standard and verified unit of credit for supervised correspondence courses with prior approval of the principal. Standard units of credit will be awarded for the successful completion of such courses when the course is equivalent to that offered in the regular school program and the work is done under the supervision of a licensed teacher, or a person eligible to hold a Virginia license, approved by the local School Board. Verified units of credit may be earned when the student has passed the SOL test associated with the correspondence course completed. The division superintendent will develop regulations governing this method of instruction in accordance with the regulations of the Board of Education.

Instruction through Alternative Technological Means

Standard units of credit will be awarded for the successful completion of courses delivered through emerging technologies and other similar means when the course is equivalent to that offered in the regular school program and the work is done under the supervision of a licensed teacher, or a person eligible to hold a Virginia license, and approved by the School Board. Verified units of credit may be earned when the student has successfully completed the requirements and passed the SOL test associated with the course. The division superintendent will develop regulations governing this method of delivery of instruction in accordance with the regulations of the Board of Education.

~~Applicants for homebound instruction shall be approved by the Superintendent or his/her designee. Medical forms must be maintained on file.~~

~~During such period of instruction, the student shall be carried on the school register as present.~~

Adopted: July 1, 1993
Amended: February 22, 1999; September 9, 2004

Legal Ref.: Code of Virginia, 1950, as amended, ~~Section~~ §§ 22.1-253.13:2, 54.1-2952.2, 54.1-2957.02. -22.1-78
~~Board of Education, 8_VAC_20-, 131-180 et. seq.~~