



Chilliwack School District
"Partners In Learning"

ADMINISTRATIVE REGULATION 530.1

HOME SCHOOL GUIDELINES

To facilitate a positive and supportive response to home school parents and their children the following guidelines have been established. The guidelines are intended as reference for school administrators and staff. For registered home school parents it is hoped the guidelines will clarify what might reasonably be expected from the school where their home school child is registered in terms of resources and services.

1. While parents may register their child for home school at any school of their choice in the district, it is recommended that parents register their child at the Fraser Valley Distance Education School rather than their neighbourhood school. In this way services to home school children provided at the Fraser Valley Distance Education School may be supplemented by services provided in the neighbourhood school if so desired by parents.
2. Home school students must be registered before September 30 of each year to allow the school district to be eligible for funding. Registration does not constitute enrolment in the school.
3. Schools with registered home school children are required to provide free of charge:
 - Copies of Performance Standards and IRPs. Principals shall inform home school parents of the district testing program, FSA and provincial examination schedule (where applicable).
4. Home school students may have access to in-school examinations and will be subject to all school rules.

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- the loan of educational resource materials as are loaned to the schools' enrolled students shall be provided to home school students subject to the completion of a loan contract, the collection of a deposit and availability. Consumable materials will not be provided. Equipment specified in curriculum guides may be loaned subject to availability.
 - educational resource materials subject to loan shall be related to required course work as listed in the IRP's.
 - any loaned materials that are lost are to be replaced at parent expense.
4. Subject to principal approval a registered home school child may attend educational programs offered by the Board under terms and conditions set by the Board. Principals' decisions should be guided by:
- the impact on the class/students
 - dependence of the requested program on previous learning and experience
 - the impact of the requested program on the home school student
 - the impact on the teacher
5. The Board may charge fees for goods and services provided by the Board. All or part of any deposit may be refunded to the home school parent on the return of the educational resource materials.
6. Information on fees to be charged and deposits required shall be available from the respective school for parents of students registered for home school.
7. Participation of home school students in curricular activities shall be approved at the school level. A fee may be levied and parent supervision may be requested.
8. Access to the school for on-site educational resources to support required course work shall be provided at school discretion and include:
- supervision by the parent or school authorized responsible adult with demonstrated competence to work with any equipment to be used
 - scheduling that does not disrupt the regular school program
 - reimbursement to the school for any consumable materials used
9. Home school student participation in extra-curricular activities shall be subject to school rules, regulations and fees and include school approval, payment of any fees and completion of permission forms. Home school student involvement should not deny participation to any student enrolled and regularly in attendance.

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10. Should a home school parent request support services beyond the terms of the School Act and Regulations, such requests will normally be directed to non-school district professionals.
11. Adults involved with home school children on school premises and school related functions must comply with school district regulations regarding criminal records searches (CRS).

Legal Refs:

Cross Refs:

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