

Policy IGBI: HOME SCHOOLING

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The district recognizes the right of parents/guardians to choose to educate their children outside the public school system but encourages parents/guardians who homeschool their children to meet with district staff and explore educational opportunities within the district. District staff are directed to conduct outreach to homeschooling families to ensure that they have knowledge of all the district's programs.

For the purposes of this policy, the term "home schooling" will include both formal education of a student in their home or other private setting by parents/guardians or a tutor as well as Family Paced Education (FPE), where the student is home schooled but also participates in the state's tax credit voucher program, the Missouri Empowerment Scholarship Accounts Program.

Written Declaration

To minimize unnecessary truancy investigations, parents/guardians or others who home school a child living in the district may provide the district with a written and signed declaration of enrollment. Such declaration should state their intent for the child to attend a home school, be provided to the district within 30 days of establishing the home school, and be resubmitted annually by September 1. District staff who receive a declaration of enrollment must forward it to the district's central office.

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Policy Reference Disclaimer:

These references are not intended to be part of the policy itself, nor do they indicate the basis or authority for the board to enact this policy. Instead, they are provided as additional resources for those interested in the subject matter of the policy.

State	Description
§ 167.031, RSMo.	State Statute
§ 167.042, RSMo.	State Statute
§ 210.167, RSMo.	State Statute

Cross References

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