



## REGULATIONS

**SUBJECT: HOME SCHOOLING**

When parents/guardians choose to have their child(ren) of compulsory school age withdrawn from school to be home schooled,

- 1.1 The parents/guardians should:
  - 1.2 provide written notification to the Director of Education, in whose jurisdiction their child(ren) last attended school, of their intent to provide home schooling for their child(ren) prior to September 1<sup>st</sup> each year;
  - 1.3 provide the name, and date of birth of each child who is receiving home schooling.
  - 1.4 provide the telephone number and address of the current home, and notify the school board of any change of address.
  - 1.5 have a plan for educating the child(ren).
  - 1.6 provide literacy and numeracy instruction that is at a developmentally appropriate level.
  - 1.7 have a plan for assessing the child(ren)'s achievement.
- 2.1 Parents/guardians providing home schooling may wish for their child(ren) to participate in assessments administered by the Education Quality and Accountability Offices (EQAO) for Grades 3, 6 and 9 and/or the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT).  
If they choose to have their child(ren) participate, they must:
  - 2.2 provide written notification by September 30<sup>th</sup> of each school year to the Superintendent responsible or designate of their intention to have their child(ren) participate in the EQAO assessments /tests in Grades 3,6, 9 and/or the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) – normally administered to students in their grade 10 year.
  - 2.3 provide transportation to their child/children to and from the school where the EQAO assessment /test is being administered.
- 3.1 The Board shall:
  - 3.2 accept the written notification of the parents/guardians each year as evidence that the parents are providing instruction at home.
  - 3.3 send a letter each year to the parent/guardians, acknowledging the notification and informing the parent/guardians that;
    - they may visit the designated school within the LKDSB for consultation,
    - the child may participate in the EQAO assessments in Grades 3, 6, and 9 and/or in the Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (normally given to students in Grade 10),
    - the child will not be allowed to participate or attend classes on a part-time basis,
    - a student enrolled in any e-learning course(s) offered by the board or in partnership with the board is not considered home schooling,
    - secondary school credits cannot be granted to students who are on home schooling.

4. The principal shall delete the student from the school register.
5. When a parent/guardian decides to enroll a child(ren) in the regular school program after a child has been on home schooling, the child shall be assessed for appropriate placement in the regular day school program.

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