

SECTION: PROGRAMS

TITLE: IN-HOME INSTRUCTION

CATASAUQUA AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Purpose	The board shall approve a program of home instruction, pursuant to the School Code, permitting students to study at home in accordance with the Public School Code.	1 2 3 4 5
Definition SC 1327.1	Home Education Program – a program conducted in compliance with this section, by the parent or guardian or such person having legal custody of the child or children. A Home Education Program shall not be considered a nonpublic school under the provisions of this act.	6 7 8 9 10
	Supervisor – the parent or guardian or such person having legal custody of the child or children who shall be responsible for the provision of instruction, provided that such person has a high school diploma or its equivalent.	11 12 13 14
Eligibility	<p>Appropriate Education – a program consisting of instruction in the required subjects for the time required by the Pennsylvania School Code and in which the student demonstrates sustained progress.</p> <p>A notarized affidavit of the parent or guardian or other person having legal custody of the child or children, shall be filed prior to the commencement of the Home Education Program and annually thereafter on August 1 with the Superintendent of the school district and which sets forth:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the name of the supervisor of the home education program who shall be responsible for the provision of instruction; • the name and age of each child who shall participate in the Home Education Program; • the address and telephone number of the Home Education Program site; • that such subjects as required by law are offered in the English language, including an outline of proposed education objectives by subject area; and • evidence that the child has been immunized and has received the health and medical services required for students of the child’s age or grade level. 	15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31 32 33 34 35 36 37 38

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The affidavit shall contain a certification to be signed by the supervisor which indicates the supervisor and all adults in the home and persons having legal custody of a child or children in the Home Education Program has not been convicted of criminal offenses as enumerated in Sec. 111 of the School Code.

In the event of the Home Education Program relocating to another school district, the supervisor must apply, by registered mail, to the Superintendent of the district in which she/he currently resides, requesting a letter of transfer for the Home Education Program to the district to which the Home Education Program is relocating. The letter of transfer must be filed by the supervisor of the Home Education Program with the Superintendent of the new district of residence. The letter of transfer shall be issued not later than thirty (30) days after receipt of the registered mail request of the Home Education Program supervisor.

The Superintendent will develop guidelines for the in-home instructional program.

That the district shall not grant “credit” for course completed by private instruction and shall not “promote”, “advance”, or “graduate” a child who completes a series of courses through private instruction. In the event of the termination of a child’s private instruction for any reason, the subsequent grade level placement of the child shall be at the sole discretion of the appropriate school principal, based upon the achievement, capabilities and demonstrated knowledge of appropriate subject matter as determined by testing of the child and the curriculum guides of the district.

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