

STUDENTS

Part-Time, Home-Based, or Off-Campus Students

A part-time student means:

1. A student enrolled in a course in a private school and taking courses at and/or receiving ancillary services offered by a district school that are not available in the private school; or
2. A student who is receiving home-based instruction that includes taking courses at and/or receiving ancillary services from the district; or
3. A student involved in a district approved work training program and taking courses in a district school.

An eligible part-time student who qualifies as a resident of the district is entitled to attend the schools within his or her attendance area on a part-time basis. Eligible part-time students are entitled to take any course, receive any ancillary services, and take or receive any combination of courses and ancillary services that are made available to full-time students.

Home-based instruction must consist of planned and supervised instructional and related educational activities, including a curriculum and instruction in the basic skills of occupational education, science, mathematics, language, social studies, history, health, reading, writing, spelling, and the development of an appreciation of art and music. Such instruction must be provided for a number of hours equivalent to the total annual program hours per grade level as established for approved private schools.

Home-based instruction may be provided by a parent who has filed a declaration of intent with the Superintendent or designee by September 15, or within two (2) weeks of the beginning of any quarter or semester. Parents may file their declaration of intent with the school district in which they reside or in a school district that has accepted their student pursuant to RCW 28A.225.225. All decisions relating to philosophy or doctrine, selection of books, teaching materials and curriculum, and methods, timing, and place, in the provision for the evaluation of home-based instruction is the responsibility of the parent. Failure of a parent to comply with the standards as specified in the law will constitute a violation of the compulsory attendance law.

A student may be enrolled in an off-campus instruction program provided that such experiences have been approved by the Superintendent or designee.

The Superintendent will establish procedures that define the district's responsibilities for home-based and off-campus instruction.

Cross Reference: Policy No. 2410 High School Graduation Requirements

Legal References: RCW 28A.225.220 Adults, children from other districts, agreements for attending school—Tuition
RCW 28A.225.225 Applications from school employees' children, nonresident students or students receiving home-based instruction to attend district school – School employees' children – Acceptance and rejection standards -Notification
RCW 28A.195.010 Private schools—Exemption from high school assessment requirements - Extension programs for parents to teach children in their custody
RCW 28A.225.010 Attendance Mandatory—Age—Exceptions
RCW 28A.200.010 Home-Based Instruction, Duties of parents – Exemption from high school assessment requirements
RCW 28A.200.020 Home-Based Instruction—Certain decisions responsibility of parent unless otherwise specified
RCW 28A.150.350 Part-time students—Defined—Enrollment authorized—reimbursement for costs—Funding authority recognition -Rules, regulations
WAC 392-121-182 Alternative learning experience requirements
WAC 392-134-010 Attendance rights of part-time public-school students

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