

PARTICIPATION OF NON-PUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS IN DISTRICT COURSES/ACTIVITIES

The purpose of this policy is:

1. To recognize the right of parents to teach their children at home.
2. To acknowledge the role of the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction in registering and monitoring students who are being taught at home.
3. To establish procedures for the utilization of District resources and facilities by parents who are teaching their children at home.

The South Shore School District recognizes that parents have a right to teach their children at home, and is willing to assist parents in this endeavor whenever possible. The District may furnish basic and supplementary materials, provided these materials are in surplus supply, are used for legitimate purposes to enhance home school instructional activities, and are returned undamaged to the school.

Parents teaching their children at home may borrow library materials, and may check out materials in accordance with the same rules and regulations as enrolled students.

The District reserves the right to require a damage deposit on all materials loaned to parents for home schooling purposes.

Non-public school students may, upon written request from parents, be allowed to participate in school district programs such as vocal or instrumental programs, field trips, and other special events, provided space and materials are available. Such students must then adhere to the same rules and regulations as enrolled students. Parents are responsible for transportation for students attending or participating in these special activities or events.

Non-public school students may also request to participate in co-curricular and sporting activities according to the following criteria.

1. The student is in compliance with all state laws rules governing home schooling.
2. The student can meet all district eligibility requirements, except for attendance in class.
3. Students must meet the same standards of behavior expected of enrolled students, and abide by all school rules and regulations.
4. The student must reside within the attendance boundaries of the District.
5. WIAA does not allow non-public school students to participate in WIAA activities.

Non-public school students may enroll for specific non-basic courses not exempt for enrollment by state law or regulations (elective courses, drivers education, etc.), under the following conditions:

1. The student is in compliance with all state laws rules governing home schooling.
2. There is adequate space available in the class after all students enrolled in the District have first been registered.
3. Parents agree to be fully responsible for transportation to and from school for any class-related activities.
4. Students must meet the same standards of behavior expected of enrolled students, and abide by all school rules and regulations.
5. The student must reside within the attendance boundaries of the District.
6. The student agrees to be present on school premises only for the time necessary to meet class requirements.
7. Written permission to attend any class must be submitted in a timely manner according to procedures established by the administration.

Non-public school students will be eligible to participate in any Summer School courses offered, provided space is available after all students enrolled during the regular school year have first been registered.

Non-Public school students shall be permitted to take up to two courses per semester at the high school under the following conditions:

1. The student satisfies district high school admission standards.
2. The student resides in the district; and
3. There is sufficient space available in the classroom.

LEGAL REF.: Section 118.145 (4) Wisconsin Statutes

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