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Home-based Instruction

Home-based instruction may be provided by a parent who has filed a declaration of intent with the superintendent by September 15 or within two weeks of the beginning of any quarter, trimester, 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, Choice. All decisions relating to philosophy or doctrine, selection of books, teaching materials and curriculum, and methods, timing, place, and provision for the evaluation of home-based instruction shall be the responsibility of the parent. Failure of a parent to comply with the standards as specified in the law shall constitute a violation of the compulsory attendance law.

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

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1Cross-reference: Policy 2411 Certificate of Educational Competency

Legal reference: RCW 28A.200.010 Home-based instruction--Duties of parents
28A.200.020 Home-based instruction--Certain decisions responsibility of parents
28A.225.010 Attendance mandatory--Age--Persons having custody shall cause child to attend public school--Exceptions
28A.225.225 Choice
WAC 392-121-180 Enrollment time credit off-campus--Alternative Learning Experiences--Study time