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HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION

Hull Public Schools may provide homebound instruction to those students who are unable to attend classes for at least fourteen school days due to a physical injury, medical situation, or a severe emotional problem. The instruction is designed to provide maintenance in the basic academic courses so that when a student returns to school he/she will not be at a disadvantage because of the illness or the hospitalization.

To qualify for the program the student needs a written statement from a medical doctor requesting the homebound instruction, stating the reason why, and estimating the time the student will be out of school. This statement needs to be sent to the student services office.

Homebound instruction is offered in basic elementary subjects and in secondary subjects which do not require laboratories and special equipment, subject in all cases to the availability of qualified teachers. The Hull Public Schools will determine the number of instructional hours per day or per week based on the educational and medical needs of the individual student. The amount of instructional time deemed necessary may be guided by the instructional approach used in one-to-one settings as compared to the instructional approach normally implemented for the student in their regular setting. Reduction of instructional time must be based on educational benefit received by the student given the reduced teacher-student ratio. Homebound instruction is authorized by the Superintendent or designee.

LEGAL REFS: 603 CMR 28.303(3)(C) and 28.04(4)

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