

Home Schooling

Policy

The Torrington Board of Education recognizes the right of parents or others having control of a child to educate him or her in other than the public schools. Alternatives to a public school education include education taking place in the home of the child.

Any child being educated at home in accordance with this policy will not be considered to be enrolled in the public school and will therefore not be eligible to participate in any public school curricular or extracurricular offerings on either a full or part-time basis.

Administrative Regulations

1. Notice of intent to educate the child at home must be submitted in writing to the Superintendent of Schools at least annually by filing a) a completed Notice of Intent form (attached hereto) or b) by other communication in writing which provides the information indicated on the form.
2. Such form shall be filed at least ten days prior to the beginning of home instruction.
3. Any such notice shall be effective until the end of the school year during which home instruction takes place.
4. In order to determine if the child is receiving education equivalent to the public schools the child's parent or other person in control of the child and/or the school administration may request a review of the home instruction and evidence of its equivalency. This right is conditioned on a showing that any such child is receiving equivalent instruction in the studies taught in the public schools.
5. This policy shall be effective with regard to any child who is seven years and less than eighteen years of age.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes

Section 10-184 Duties of Parents

Section 10-220 Duties of Boards of Education