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Home Education Program

The Home Education Program is one of five options allowed by the State of Florida for a parent/guardian to educate his/her child(ren).

- (1) The Superintendent or designee is responsible for the following procedures:
 - (a) Direct parent/guardian to the Student Services Department if he/she expresses an intent to home school his/her child(ren).
 - (b) Provide the parent/guardian with the opportunity to register the student in the Home Education Program at the school. A copy of the Home Education Program (HEP) registration form is supplied to each school with the District Enrollment Procedures.
 - (c) Fax the registration form to 337-8652 and send the original registration form to the Department of Student Welfare and Attendance.
 - (d) Withdraw the student with the W24 code after notification from the Department of Student Welfare and Attendance that the registration form has been received.
 - (e) Give referral to the school social worker to track and ensure the immediate enrollment of a student in the event the Superintendent or designee does not hear from the Home Education Office within five business days of the parent's/guardian's intent to home school.
 - (f) Supply parent/guardian with Home Education Letter of Termination upon entry or reentry into the public school. This notice must be collected at enrollment and sent to the Department of Student Welfare and Attendance by the school registrar so that the Home Education Program can be properly closed.
 - (g) Enroll home education students in a Lee County public school interscholastic activity when they meet the criteria.
 - (h) Permit students with identified disabilities who qualify for Exceptional Student Education classes to participate in such classes offered by District schools.

- 44 (2) The Teacher-on-Assignment (Superintendent's designee) for Home Education is
45 responsible for the following procedures:
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- 47 (a) Answer legal questions concerning the Home Education Program.
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 - 49 (b) Send out packets of information regarding the program.
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 - 51 (c) Register families into the Home Education Program.
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 - 53 (d) Conduct portfolio reviews for a first year parent/guardian.
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 - 55 (e) Act as a liaison between the Testing and Evaluation Department and the
56 parent/guardian of a home schooled child(ren).
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 - 58 (f) Work with school social workers regarding a parent/guardian who has not
59 followed the responsibilities of the Home Education Program.
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 - 61 (g) Record annual educational evaluations for each student and file in his/her
62 Home Education Program folder.
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