

Homebound Instruction

~~Home or hospital instruction shall be provided:—~~

~~1. To any child with a health or physical impairment which, in the opinion of a licensed medical examiner, will cause him/her to be absent from school for more than two consecutive weeks— and who school personnel determine can educationally benefit from such a program, or—~~

~~2. To any child whose educational needs, as determined by a case study and reviewed in a multidisciplinary staff conference, are most appropriately and effectively met by such a program.—~~

~~The amount of instructional or supportive service provided through the home and hospital program shall be determined in relation to each child's educational needs and his physical and mental health.—~~

Homebound instruction may be provided to a student who is experiencing extended absences due to physician-documented physical or emotional concerns. The purpose of homebound instruction is to expose the eligible student to curriculum being taught in class so that she/he does not fall significantly behind while absent. Homebound instruction is not intended to replace instruction that occurs within the classroom of RSU #22 schools.

The availability and nature of homebound instruction will be at the discretion of the school principal and/or superintendent of schools.

The superintendent of schools may develop regulations to accompany this policy.

Maine Regional School Unit #22

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