

Billings School District

INSTRUCTION

Supervised Correspondence Study, Hospital Instruction and Homebound Instruction

Pursuant to Montana law, the District may provide supervised correspondence study for a student when it is impossible for the student to attend a school due to the isolation of the student's residence or the student's mental or physical incapacity.

The District recognizes that hospital instruction and homebound instruction may be appropriate for a student who is unable to attend school because of a medical condition or disability. Under these circumstances, the District may provide temporary hospital or home instruction until appropriate placement may be arranged.

The District also recognizes that home instruction may be appropriate for a student who presents a clear and present danger to the student and to others. Under these circumstances and except as provided for in special education law, the District may provide temporary home instruction until appropriate placement may be arranged or until the student may be safely returned to a school.

The District may provide supervised correspondence study, hospital instruction or homebound instruction if such instruction is approved by the Superintendent and is provided by a certified teacher.

The District may grant credit for correspondence courses that such students choose to take provided the following requirements are met:

1. prior permission has been granted by a principal;
2. a course fits the education plan submitted by the regularly enrolled student;
3. a course THAT is offered by AN ACCREDITED schools, INCLUDING:
 - a. schools approved by the National University Extension Association or through one of the schools approved by the National Home Study Council;
 - b. community colleges, vocational-technical institutes, four-year colleges and universities and state-approved private schools in the state of Montana; and
 - c. other schools or institutions that are approved by the District after evaluation for a particular course offering.

The District will not pay or be obligated to pay for a student's correspondence courses.

Cross References: 2410 High School Graduation Requirements
 2410-P1 High School Graduation Requirements Procedure

Legal References: § 20-7-116, MCA Supervised correspondence study

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