Parent Responsibilities for Home School Education

1. Complete a letter of intent form 14 days prior to establishing a home based education program. Parents must fill out this form each year they are planning to provide home based education. The completed form must be signed and delivered (mail, email or walk-in) to the Student Enrollment.

2. Include a copy of the curriculum to be used if child has been habitually truant any time in the last six months.

3. Provide 172 days of instruction, averaging four contact hours per day.

4. Provide instruction that includes, but is not limited to, communication skills of reading, writing and speaking; mathematics; history; civics, literature, science; and regular courses of instruction in the Constitution of the United States as provided in CRS 22-1-108.

5. For students in grade levels 3, 5, 7, 9, and 11, provide BVSD with either scores for a national assessment test (like California Achievement Test, Comprehensive Test of Basic Skills, Iowa Test of Basic Skills or ACT) or an evaluation by a “qualified professional” (licensed teacher, a private school teacher, a licensed psychologist, or someone with a graduate degree in education) that indicate your child(ren) is/are making academic progress in their education. Alternatively, upon request, home based education students may participate in any standardized assessment that is administered to others in the student’s grade level; and a district “qualified professional” would be available to determine whether your child(ren) is/are demonstrating academic progress in the tested content area(s) based on the results of that assessment.

6. Create and keep educational records as defined in CRS 22-33-104.5(3)(g) including, but not limited to: immunization records, attendance data, test and evaluation results and deliver them within 14 days of a written request from the district.

7. Your student must attend school and attendance will be recorded while the home school program is being established.

8. Failure to follow this process can result in a truancy filing in District Court.

9. For general information call Boulder Valley Schools at (720) 561-6081 or visit the Colorado Department of Education website: http://www.cde.state.co.us/choice/homeschool.htm