

# Calvert County Public Schools

## Student Services Department

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# Parental Instruction Orientation

## (Home Schooling)

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# Questions ... Questions

... and we have answers!



How am I approved for home schooling?

Does CCPS provide curriculum and materials?

Can CCPS recommend programs or support groups?

What is an umbrella school?

Can parents use a tutor?

How many hours a day/weeks per year?

Are Special Education services available?

Can my child participate in band, athletics?

Can 4 year olds be on home schooling?

What about Common Core?

Do I have to re-register every year?

Can online programs be used?

What happens if my child won't cooperate?

Can I still review with CCPS if I move?

What age can my child stop home schooling?

Can home schoolers attend college?

Will my child graduate with a diploma?

How long does CCPS keep home schooler's student record?

Who is the CCPS Home Schooling Coordinator?

# Just the Basics

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## Home Schooling in Maryland

- Three (3) informative videos (9-10 minutes each) on our website detail the process. Go to: [Calvert County Public Schools / Departments / Student Services / Services / Parental Instruction](#). Scroll down, videos are at the bottom/right of the page.

## Portfolio Reviews

- **January & June**
  - BOE Multi-Purpose Room
  - Approximately 30 minutes
    - First review a little longer
  - Child may attend, but not required
- **Profile form helpful, not mandatory**
  - Mail completed form before review or bring with you
- **Compulsory attendance law**
  - Reviews not required after age 18





# Preparation for Your Review

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- **Show evidence of regular, planned schedule of instruction**
- **Date all work**
  - Arrange chronologically by subject.
- **Use tabbed notebook or pocket portfolio.**
  - Arrange subjects in same order as on review form.
- **Bring examples of instructional materials**
  - Don't need to bring enough to fill a U-Haul truck.
- **Bring samples of student work**
  - Writing, workbooks, creative materials, tests.
  - Reading lists, photos, journals, awards, certificates, programs.
  - Materials remain the property of the family.
  - OK to bring laptop if using an online program.



# Portfolio Review Ratings

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## **Acceptable / Clear Evidence**

- Sufficient evidence of planning as well as physical evidence of student work to show that regular, thorough instruction has taken place on a regular basis during the school year and is of sufficient duration to implement the program.

## **Needs Better Evidence**

- Insufficient evidence of instruction. Weaknesses will be addressed at the next portfolio review.

## **Unacceptable**

- Portfolio does not comply with COMAR 13A.10.01.D. Revise and resubmit within 30 days.
- May need to re-enroll in public or private school if out of compliance.

# Odds & Ends

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**Please be on time for your appointment**

**Appointment rescheduling**

- Might need to be with a different reviewer

**No Show's = out of compliance**

- Call to reschedule ASAP
- May result in home visit by PPW

**Post reminder card on fridge or bulletin board**

**Emergencies happen, but do try to make it**

**Closures / Delays – refer to hot pink flyer**

**GED**

- Must be at least 16 years of age
- Contact CSM at 443-550-6000
- [www.ged.com](http://www.ged.com) – official website



# More Odds & Ends

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## **Service Learning**

- Independent project
- Info on CCPS website

## **Dual Enrollment at CSM**

- Must be age 16
- Form requires signature of CCPS Coordinator of Home Schooling.

## **MVA Learner's Permit Form**

- Student and parent complete their portion.
- Bring form to Student Services, and we will sign/stamp/seal in envelope

## **Process to re-enroll in school**

- Submit Change of Status form
- Enroll at home school
  - Temporary Admission Slip
  - Elementary level - grade placement / testing determined at the school
  - Secondary level – grade placement / testing done by BOE/Dept of Instruction



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Director of Student Services  
Director of Human Resources  
443-550-8000

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Ms. Kimberly Roof  
Director of Student Services  
Calvert County Public Schools  
1305 Dares Beach Road  
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

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Ms. Laveeta Hutchins  
Director of Human Resources  
Calvert County Public Schools  
1305 Dares Beach Road  
Prince Frederick, MD 20678

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