

Frequently Asked Questions (Home and Hospital):

- **What is Home and Hospital and who is eligible?** Home and Hospital provides education for Oakdale Joint Unified School District students who are unable to attend school for a minimum of four weeks due to a specified physical, mental or emotional condition. This program (Education Code Section 48206.3) serves students who incur a temporary disability which makes attendance in the regular day classes or alternative education program impossible or inadvisable. The student's medical condition must be re-evaluated by the physician every 3 months. Students will receive their instruction by a certificated district instructor/teacher who will come to the home or an agreed upon pre-designated location to provide instruction of lessons.
- **Does a student have to be out of school four weeks before they are eligible?** No. If the doctor anticipates that a student absence will be for a period of four weeks or longer, the referral process may begin. If the student's doctor anticipates the absence will be less than 4 weeks then the student will be provided Short-term Independent Study through his/her regular classroom teacher(s).
- **What is the difference between Home and Hospital and Home Schooling?** Home Schooling is a school program administered at home by the student's parent or guardian under the direction of an approved charter school program. Home and Hospital is a temporary service available to any student who is unable to attend his/her school due to a physical, mental or emotional crisis and such instruction is provided by a credentialed teacher.
- **Who are the teachers that teach Home and Hospital?** They are teachers that are employed with the Oakdale Joint Unified School District as full time teachers or district approved substitute teachers.
- **Do I ever get to meet my teacher?** Yes-Your teacher will visit you to bring materials and provide individualized instruction for up to 5 hours per a week. A parent or guardian, 21 years or older, must be present when your teacher visits.
- **Will I be doing the same work as my classmates while on Home and Hospital?** The work may or may not be exactly the same as your classmates. When receiving one-on-one instruction at home, your H/H teacher will contact your regular teacher(s) for materials and instruction. The goal of home and hospital instruction should be maintenance of the pupil's former level of performance while recovering.
- **Who gives the Home and Hospital student a grade?** Home and Hospital students receive a grade from their Home and Hospital teacher. The Home and Hospital teacher averages the grade earned while on Home and Hospital instruction with the latest grade given by the regular teacher during the term prior to being placed on the Home and Hospital program. If the student is on Home and Hospital until the end of a quarter or semester the Home and Hospital teacher is in charge of the final grade.
- **How do I turn in my work?** The Home and Hospital teacher is in charge of collecting, evaluating, grading, and returning the work to the teachers at the school site.
- **How much might this cost?** This service is an educational alternative for qualifying students at no cost to the parent. Attendance (scheduled meetings with the home/ hospital teacher) is essential and required. Failure to keep appointments and meet with the home/ hospital teacher could result in the Home/ Hospital assignment being suspended or terminated. The school may also consider a referral to the County Sheriffs Department's School Attendance Review Board (SARB).