

## **Dexter Mosley Act**

Under the Dexter Mosley Act (GA Senate Bill 51), home study students in grades 6 through 12 are eligible to participate in extracurricular and interscholastic activities in the Muscogee County School District. In order to participate, home study students shall complete at least one qualifying course during any semester the student participates in an extracurricular or interscholastic activity. A "qualifying course" means an on-site course, an online course facilitated by MCSD or a dual enrollment course. Participation is only available at the public school in which a home study student would be enrolled based on his or her residence.

To enroll a home study student in at least one MCSD course in order to participate in extracurricular and interscholastic activities, please complete the online registration form found on the MCSD website. Once you have completed the online registration, a school-level representative will contact you with additional information.

*Please note: Families interested in enrolling under the Dexter Mosely Act must complete the same online enrollment application as full-time MCSD students. When completing the Student Demographics Section of the application, please check the box labeled "Is this student enrolling under the Dexter Mosley Act (For Homeschool Students)?"*

### **Deadlines to Apply**

- 30 days before the beginning of the semester

### **Items Needed for Registration**

- Certified Birth Certificate
- Shot Record on Department of Human Resources Form 3231
- Certificate of Ear, Eye and Dental Examinations - Department of Human Resources Form 3300
- Proof of Residency
- A copy of the student's social security card or signed waiver
- A copy of the student's most recent annual progress assessment report
- Written statement by the home study program instructor that verifies the student is currently receiving a passing grade in each home study course, is maintaining satisfactory progress toward advancement and meets the requirements for participation in the specified activity

### ***GHSA Guideline for participating in Athletics***

- The student must meet the same eligibility requirements as the public school students (accumulated units, units passed the previous semester, etc.)
- The student must live in the service area in which he/she participates, residence information must be provided. By this rule, no home-school student will be able to compete for Columbus High School or Rainey McCullers School of the Arts as they do not have a service area, but are full magnet.
- Beginning and ending dates attended beginning with the 9th grade
- Additionally, the bill specifies that a student that withdraws from a public school to home school will be ineligible for one calendar year. Home school students must meet all requirements public school students meet in order for enrollment including a current physical examination. They must try out, pay participation fees and meet any other requirements all students must meet.