

Ordinance 2025/26-78

Section 8-42.2. Declaration of Policy; requirements for home instruction. — A. The School Board recognizes that when the requirements of Virginia Code §22.1-254.1 ~~are complied with,~~ have been satisfied instruction of children by their parents is an acceptable form of education under the policy of the Commonwealth of Virginia.

B. Any parent of any child who is five years old ~~or older~~ on or before September 30 of any school year and who is not yet eighteen years old may elect to provide home instruction in lieu of school attendance if the parent:

- (i) holds a high school diploma;
- (ii) is a teacher of qualifications prescribed by the Board of Education;
- (iii) provides the child with a program of study or curriculum which, may be delivered through a correspondence course or distance learning program or in any other manner; or
- (iv) provides evidence that the parent is able to provide adequate education for the child.

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Legal authority – Virginia Code § 22.1-254.1.