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**Board Governance Policy Cross Reference:** [1](#), [12](#), [13](#)

**Administrative Procedures Cross Reference:**

[Student Registration](#)

**Form Cross Reference:**

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**Legal/Regulatory Reference:**

[Manitoba Regulation 468/88R](#), sections 13 & 16 (Education Administration Miscellaneous Provisions Regulation)

[The Public Schools Act](#), sections 260.1, 262(b)

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Schooling children at home is an option parents and/or legal guardians have in Manitoba as an alternative to compulsory attendance at a public or independent school, providing certain policy requirements are met. The Public Schools Act requires parents/guardians to notify the Minister of their intention to home school their child(ren). This is done through the [Manitoba Education Home Schooling Office](#). Parent(s)/legal guardian(s) must also provide the Home Schooling Office with a comprehensive education plan and submit two annual progress reports. The Home Schooling Office asks that the parent(s)/legal guardian(s) notify the school division in which they reside that their children will be home schooled.

**Guidelines for Schools**

1. When schools are approached by parents with questions on home-schooling, they should be referred to the Manitoba Education Homeschooling Office.
2. Home-schooling attendance lists issued by Manitoba Education will be shared with school principals to ensure that all legal school-aged children residing in the Interlake School Division boundaries are compliant with the Public Schools Act.
3. Home-school parents may approach and borrow resources from the school, providing the school has extra supplies to share. A caution fee may be required by the school.
4. School divisions are required to accommodate resident home-school students who wish to write provincial examinations or standards tests. This should be arranged at the local school. Provincial examinations or standards tests form only a percentage of a student's final mark. Therefore, a

student otherwise home schooled in a subject, who writes a provincial examination or standards test, remains ineligible to receive Manitoba Senior Years credits for that course.

5. At no time will home-school registered students be enrolled in any Interlake School Division courses, school activities or extra-curricular programs.
6. If a student ceases enrolment in the home school program, they may register in their designated school within their catchment area. Schools are responsible for setting assessment and evaluation criteria to determine grade placement or senior years credit standing for resident home school students wishing to enter the school system.