

WELD COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT RE-5J
110 SOUTH CENTENNIAL DRIVE, SUITE A, MILLIKEN, CO 80543

Dear Parent:

Attached to this letter you will find information referring to several sections of Colorado School Law concerning home schooling. Please be sure to carefully read this information so that you will have a better understanding of the rules and regulations of the State of Colorado that must be observed in homeschooling.

Also attached to this letter is a form entitled NOTIFICATION OF HOME-BASED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM. Please return this form to Weld County School District RE-5J, 110 S. Centennial Drive, Suite A, Milliken, CO 80543, if you are planning to homeschool your child(ren). **Please note that this same form must be completed and returned to the school district each year you plan to homeschool your child(ren).**

We hope this information will help you to meet all the criteria for homeschooling your child. If you have questions, you may contact the principal of your child's school.

Parents who homeschool their high school aged children, need to know that in some cases credit may not be transferred to Roosevelt High School for graduation. If you want your child to graduate from Roosevelt High School, he or she needs to meet all of our district's graduation requirements. Any home school credit accepted by Roosevelt High School must be approved by the principal. In most cases this should be done in advance of the course work being completed.

If you plan to move your child back into Roosevelt High School from homeschooling, you should arrange to meet with a counselor from that school to discuss your plan and then have the plan approved by the school. You may also be asked to provide documentation concerning the amount of instruction time provided to the student, the content of the curriculum used for each class, and documentation that the student has completed assignments and testing for the course, in order to determine if credit should be granted.

Sincerely,

Superintendent of Schools

Revised: 7/28/2020

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HOME SCHOOL INFORMATION

1. A non-public, home based educational program means the sequential program of instruction for the education of a child which takes place in a home, which is provided by the child's parent or by an adult relative of the child, and which is not under the supervision and control of a school district.

22-33-104.5(2) (a)

2. A non-public, home based educational program shall include no less than one hundred seventy-two days of instruction averaging four instructional contact hours per day.

22-33-104.5(3) (c)

3. A non-public, home based educational program shall include, but is not limited to:

- a. Communication skills of reading, writing and speaking
- b. Mathematics
- c. History
- d. Civics
- e. Science
- f. Regular courses of instruction in the Constitution of the United States

22-33-104.5(3) (d)

4. Any parent establishing a non-public, home based educational program shall provide written notification of said program to the local district of residence fourteen days prior to the establishment of the program and each year thereafter, if the program is maintained.

The parent in charge of the program shall certify, in writing, only a statement containing the name, age, place of residence and number of hours of attendance of each child in the program.

22-33-104.5(3) (e)

5. Each child participating in a non-public, home based educational program shall be evaluated when each child reaches grades three, five, seven, nine and eleven.

Each child shall be given a nationally standardized achievement test to evaluate their progress OR a qualified person shall evaluate the child's academic progress. The test or evaluation results shall be submitted to the local school of residence or an independent or parochial school within the State of Colorado. The name of the independent or parochial school shall be given to the local school district of residence. The purpose of such tests or evaluations shall be to evaluate the progress of the child.

22-33-104.5(3) (f)

6. The records of each child participating in a non-public, home based educational program shall be maintained by the parent in charge and in control of the program. The records shall include, but not limited to, attendance data, test and evaluation results, and immunization records as required by sections 25-4-901, 25-4-902, and 25-4-903. All of these records shall be produced to the local school of residence upon fourteen days written notice if the superintendent has probable cause to believe that the said program is not in compliance with all of the guidelines for home-schooling set forth in the information on these pages.

22-33-104.5(3) (g)

7. The procedures for a home-school student either entering or reentering Weld County School District RE-5J Schools are:

- a. A meeting with the parent(s) and child(ren)
- b. A review of the student records submitted by the parents in charge of the homeschooling
- c. A review of the standardized tests or evaluations given the child
- d. If no tests or evaluations have been given, the school may test the child for the purpose of placement at the appropriate grade level as deemed most appropriate by the local school district of residence.
- e. The district will accept transcripts for credit from a home-based program; except transcripts may be rejected if the school administers testing to the child and the testing does not verify the accuracy of the transcripts.
- f. The opportunity to review and provide feedback on the District Consolidated Application for federal funds.
- g. The opportunity to participate in services provided with federal funds.

**NOTIFICATION OF HOME-BASED EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM
2022-2023 School Year**

Be advised that _____
Parent(s) Name(s)

Intends to provide a program of Home-Bases Educational Study for:

Student(s) Name(s): _____

For the **2022-2023** school year, and that all requirements for Colorado Statute 22-33-104.5 will be met and/or adhered to.

Parent(s) Signature _____
Date

Student's Name(s) and Age(s) and grade entering:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Address/Place of Residence: _____

City/Town: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Number of scheduled hours of attendance: _____

Please return this form to: Superintendent of Schools
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110 S. Centennial Drive, Suite A
Milliken, CO 80543

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Date:

Dear:

This is to confirm that we have received your letter notifying us that you will be homeschooling your child(ren) for the **2022-2023** school year.

On the reverse side of this letter you will find home school information. The number at the end of each of the seven categories is a reference to a particular section of Colorado School Law concerning home schooling.

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Our best wishes to you and your family.

Sincerely,

Superintendent of Schools