

GUIDELINES FOR DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION OF THE HOME/HOSPITAL INSTRUCTION PROGRAM

Eligibility

1. A student must be enrolled in Seattle Public Schools.
2. A written statement by a doctor of medicine, (M.D.), osteopathy, (D.O.), naturopathy (N.D.), dentistry, (D.M.D.), chiropractic, (D.C.), or physician assistant (P.A.); advanced registered nurse practitioner, (ARNP); or licensed mental health therapist indicating that the student is unable to attend school due to physical disability or illness for at least four weeks from the date of the application, but not more than eighteen weeks, must be provided.

Program Requirements

1. Tutoring is provided for students absent a minimum of four weeks but less than a semester. In some cases tutoring may be intermittent, but weeks of tutoring may not exceed eighteen weeks.
2. Home/Hospital instruction may be provided while a student is being assessed for eligibility for special education services.
3. Students enrolled in special education programs may be provided Home/Hospital tutoring for diagnoses unrelated to their qualifying condition if they meet Home/Hospital requirements.
4. Home/Hospital tutoring is not provided during school vacations unless the student is enrolled in a district summer school program.
5. Home/Hospital instruction is for the student unable to attend school due to disability or illness. It may not be used to tutor a student who is staying at home with an infant or a sick relative.

Program Provisions:

When approval is granted the student is provided with two hours of tutoring time per week. This will not provide a complete educational program but will assist a student in maintaining his/her educational status when absent from school temporarily. Please ask for the minimum number of weeks of absence from school that this student requires for recovery from illness or injury so that he/she may resume school attendance and participation in a complete educational program.