

# Extended Studies

## PROCEDURE FOR ENROLLMENT OF HOMESCHOOL STUDENTS IN A WCSD CLASS OR PROGRAM

Homeschooling is a means by which students are exempted from compulsory public education while they receive alternative equivalent instruction. Periodically, parents of home school students request the enrollment of their child in:

- A selected course of study, such as band or choir; or
- An academic course; or
- An extra-curricular activity, including sports.

With the permission of the zoned Washoe County School District principal, a home school student may be enrolled in one class or participate in one extracurricular activity, including sports, that is not otherwise available to them through their home-schooling program. Home schooled students are not eligible for part-time enrollment in North Star Online Learning.

- Home school students wishing to participate in one of the areas listed above must provide proof of current enrollment in home school by providing a copy of the receipt for "Notice of Intent to Homeschool." (A receipt is issued by the WCSD Extended Studies Office to all families upon initial enrollment in homeschool)
- The home school student must meet the same enrollment prerequisites or guidelines that exist for all other students seeking to participate in the course, activity program or sport. Proof of meeting the prerequisites or guidelines must be provided at the time the student requests to participate in the WCSD course or program, including verification the student resides in the proper zone of the school of interest.
- The request for participation from the home school student must be made to the school principal on or before the fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) day of the beginning of each semester. On or before the eleventh (11<sup>th</sup>) day of the beginning of the semester, the principal or their designee shall inform the home school student and parent/guardian whether the request will be accepted or denied. Requests made after the 5<sup>th</sup> day may be considered for the subsequent semester only, except at the discretion of the principal or their designee.
- The home school student may be enrolled in a course or accepted for participation in an activity program only if the space is available and only if their enrollment will not displace a WCSD student. "Space available" means the student space which does not exceed the predetermined maximum class size for a particular course and does not eliminate potential space for transfer of full-time WCSD students.
- Once enrolled in a course or accepted in an activity program, the home school student must abide by all WCSD rules and regulations regarding attendance, behavior, grading, and program-specific requirements, such as attendance at performances and special rehearsals and athletic

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clearances. It is the student/parent responsibility to be aware of school schedules, which may rotate or change daily.

- All transportation must be provided by the parent/student.
- For band or orchestra, the student must provide their own instrument. The home school student may not participate in honor band, honor orchestra, or honor choir, as participation would displace a WCSD student.
- If the teacher and/or school administrative staff determine that the home school student is not adhering to any one of the above-mentioned criteria, said student will be removed from the program.
- Home schooled students who are beyond the compulsory age of attendance (17), are not eligible to enroll in a course or activity at the zoned high school.