

Parent's Guide to Homeschooling

Nevada Revised Statutes allows for compulsory attendance of a child in a public school to be excused if the parent chooses to provide education to the child and files a notice of intent to home school (NRS 392.040).

The following links can be used to find out more information about homeschooling in Nevada:

http://www.doe.nv.gov/Topic/Homeschooling_page/

<http://www.ccsd.net/divisions/education-services-division>

<http://nevadahomeschoolnetwork.com>

Withdrawing a Student to Homeschooling

Starting with the 2007-08 school year, parents who elect to home school their children must file a notice of intent for each child to be homeschooled. This notice remains in effect (up to 15 years) unless there is a change of name or address of either the parent or the child, or if the child returns to home schooling after being enrolled in a public school. The notice may be downloaded from either of the websites listed above.

The notice of intent must be filed before beginning to home school or no later than 10 days after formally withdrawing the student from public school. Families that are new to Nevada have 30 days to file a notice of intent after establishing residency.

The notice of intent must be submitted to:

**Office for Home Schooling and Work Exemptions
2701 East St. Louis Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89104**

The notice may be hand delivered or sent via US Mail. Please do not fax.

The Clark County School District will provide a written acknowledgement to the parent who files a notice of intent to home school. Parents need to present this acknowledgement to the public school and formally withdraw the child. Parents who withdrew their child before receiving the written acknowledgement should present it to the public school that the child was attending as soon as possible.

Testing

Home school students are eligible to participate in district testing that includes:

- Nevada State High School Proficiency Exams
- SAT/ACT
- PSAT/NMSQT

Homeschooled students are eligible for both the National Merit and Millennium scholarships.

Parents may find specific test dates and testing information on the Nevada Department of Education website:

http://www.doe.nv.gov/Topic/Homeschooling_page/

Participation in classes at CCSD schools

Homeschool students may request to participate in up to three courses at their zoned CCSD school for no credit, provided there is space available and the student meets any requirements. Parents should present a ***State of Nevada Notice of Intent of Homeschool Child to Participate in Programs and Activities*** to the public school principal prior to the start of the semester. The principal and the *Instruction Unit Superintendent* or designee will make the determination if the homeschooled child is eligible to participate in the course(s). Parents can download the required form from the following websites:

http://www.doe.nv.gov/Topic/Homeschooling_page/

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Enrolling a Child Who Was Homeschooled into a Public School

Parents enrolling student(s) need to provide the appropriate enrollment documentation; this will include an official birth certificate, immunization record, proof of address and registration form. At the elementary level, schools will consider commonly used practices to determine the academic placement of the student. Secondary schools will evaluate a student's course of study and units of credit to determine grade level placement (NAC 389.680). A student shall be granted credit toward graduation/promotion to high school for successful completion of courses accredited by one of the following:

- (1) Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools
- (2) New England Association of Schools and Colleges
- (3) North Central Association of Colleges and Schools
- (4) Northwest Accreditation Association
- (5) Southern Association of Schools and Colleges
- (6) Western Association of Schools and Colleges
- (7) Commission on International and Trans-Regional Accreditation

The parent/institution must provide the school with a copy of the accreditation for verification purposes.

Education Services Division
Department of Pupil Personnel Services
Office for Home Schooling and Work Exemptions
(702) 799-8630 extension 5359

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