

## Part-Time Publicly Funded Homeschool Enrichment Program Requirements Guidance Chart

For more detailed information, please refer to [FAQ: Programming for Homeschool Students](#)

**Definition:** A **homeschool student** primarily receives home-based education, and the parent or guardian is considered the responsible party. **Parents who wish to begin homeschooling must provide written notification to a school district in the state. C.R.S. 22-33-104.5. Accordingly, the parent should be able to provide evidence that the student is homeschooled.**

**Funding:** If a student is receiving *some* regular education services provided by a public school, the school may be eligible for a maximum of part-time funding if the student is scheduled for a minimum of 90-hours of teacher-pupil instruction and contact time in the semester of the pupil enrollment count date.

**Requirements:** In general, it should be noted that, as a result of participating in public school options on a part-time basis, homeschool students may be subject to the same **identification, assessment, and participation requirements** as other public school students. Details about specific scenarios can be found in the chart.

Grade	Topic	Requirement upon Registration (after student is admitted)	Screening or Assessment Required	Parent May Opt Out	Identification	Services Offered by School	Parent has the right to decline services
K	Kinder School Readiness (KSR)	Share KSR Assessment dates and locations or Opt Out Form	KSR Assessment	Yes	Data from school readiness assessments informs individual learning plans	A school readiness plan	Yes
K-3	READ Act	Share BOY/EOY testing dates and locations.	READ Interim Assessment (if below cut score, then a diagnostic assessment must be given and body of evidence collected)	No	Significant Reading Deficient (SRD) if below cut score	Students with SRD receive a READ plan	"Currently there are no waivers for any portion of the READ requirements."
K-12	English Learner	Home Language Survey	WIDA Screener	No	Non-English Proficient (NEP) or Limited English Proficient (LEP) or English Proficient	Students who are NEP or LEP receive an ELD plan	Yes, but the Access test will still be required annually
K-12	FRL Eligibility	School food Authority (SFA) or Federal Economic Data Survey (FEDS)  Make every effort to include part-time families in the FRL eligibility process	N/A	Yes	FRL status	Students who qualify may attend regularly scheduled lunch at school or be provided to-go lunch at the school lunch time	Yes

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K-12	Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)	N/A	N/A	N/A	Schools are expected to <i>identify</i> all students, which includes, but is not limited to, areas such as English Learner, Special Education, 504 plan, Gifted Education, and Military Connected	Homeschool students are not entitled to special education and related services, even if they participate in programming and are counted as part-time students (must be formally homeschool)	N/A
K-12	Admission	N/A	N/A	N/A	A school cannot deny admission to a student with disabilities in any program, whether the student seeks to enroll in a core course, enrichment course, or extracurricular or interscholastic activity.	The school should have policies in place which clarify that the school is not required to provide special education services to students with disabilities who are not enrolled in the school on a full-time basis.	N/A
K-12	Child Find	Permission to Test if the school suspects a disability  School has the obligation to identify and evaluate for suspected disabilities	Parent may waive evaluation	Yes	If evaluated, share results of evaluation with parents.	School does not have to offer special education and related services	N/A
PK-12	Section 504	Question about prior 504 Plan in registration materials	If accommodations are needed and there is not a 504 Plan, consider evaluating for one.	Yes	504 Plan	If the student requires specific accommodations related to a disability in order to access the course, activity, or part-time program, the school must allow the accommodation(s) and follow any 504 Plan already in place or develop a 504 Plan	Yes
PK-12	Gifted Education	Question about prior Gifted Education Services or Advanced Learning Plan in registration materials	Accept referrals and follow school identification procedures.  If the school offers universal screening, share testing date and location	Yes	Advanced Learning Plan	ALP developed for qualifying students.	Yes. The school should document this on the ALP plan in lieu of goals and programming.

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K-12	Immunization Records	Proof of Immunizations or Exemption Form	N/A	Parent may complete Exemption Form	N/A	Same student health duties as any other general education student	Yes
K-12	Health Screenings	Health Questionnaire Medication Administration Form	Vision Hearing	Yes	Health Care Plan	Provide the same student-health duties as any other student.	Yes
K-12	Extracurriculars	At the high school level CHSAA eligibility compliance. Any applicable physicals, as required for full time students.	N/A	N/A	N/A	Must allow homeschool students to participate on an equal basis in any extracurricular or interscholastic activity offered by the school that is not available through the homeschool program.	N/A
K-12	Tuition	Do not charge tuition. Fees for participating in activity or participation fee not to exceed 150% of the fee amount the school would charge to its full-time students.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
K-12	Attendance	Must take attendance for students participating in homeschool programming and that this attendance data must be submitted as part of the End of Year and October Count collections for students participating in a school's homeschool programming.	N/A	No	N/A	N/A	N/A
K-12	State Reporting	Include students in the school's student information system and data must be reported.	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

For More Information:

CDE Student October Count Audit Resource Guide [https://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/auditunit\\_pupilcount](https://www.cde.state.co.us/cdefinance/auditunit_pupilcount) for more details regarding appropriate documentation to be eligible for funding.

Student Fees Policy <http://go.boarddocs.com/co/csi/Board.nsf/goto?open&id=AV6N3W5B41F8> C.R.S. 22- 32-116.5(6). Students participating only in an extracurricular or interscholastic activity cannot be counted for part-time per pupil funding. C.R.S. 22-32-104.5(6)(c).

#### Free or Reduced Lunch

More details on both federal and state methods, including information that may impact the current year are available on the resource site, [CSI Free and Reduced Lunch Eligibility](#)

C.R.S. 22-32-116.5 Extracurricular and interscholastic activities - definitions

C.R.S. 22-33-104. Compulsory school attendance

C.R.S. 22-33-104.5. Home-based education - legislative declaration - definitions – guidelines

Rules for the Administration of the Exceptional Children’s Educational Act, 1 CCR 301-8

Rules for the Administration of the Public School Finance Act, 1 CCR 301-39, Rule 5