

McDowell County Schools

Homebound Services-Overview for Parents and Students

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child has been approved for homebound instruction. Generally, the student will be served once or twice a week, totaling up to three hours per student. In order to make this instruction as much like the classroom program and as beneficial to the student as possible, we are asking your cooperation in the following:

1. When services are provided in the home, an adult 18 years or older must be present during the instructional period.
2. Encourage your child to dress in day clothes, if possible.
3. Provide an area where the student and teacher can work uninterrupted. In addition, pets need to be constrained to prevent distractions to the instructional environment.
4. It may be necessary for you to provide certain instructional materials, which may be recommended by the teacher. (e.g. paper, pencil, etc.)
5. Homework will be expected between the homebound teacher's visits. Please make arrangements for your child to have an opportunity to study.
6. Please provide the homebound teacher with phone number(s) so that he/she may reach you if necessary. The homebound teacher will make every effort to be on time and will notify you if he/she will be late or unable to attend. Your child's teacher will also readily discuss your child's progress. Please feel free to contact the assigned homebound teacher in the event you have any questions or concerns.
7. A smoke and alcohol free environment is expected in order to establish a positive instructional atmosphere for both student and teacher. If these conditions are not met, then arrangements will be made for instruction to occur at a public location, such as the public library, school, etc.
8. If the instruction occurs at a public location, the student is expected to be in attendance and on time. He/she will need to bring instructional materials with him/her. Expectations in #4, #5, #6 also apply to this situation.
9. Work needs to be completed in a timely manner between visits with the homebound teacher unless special circumstances exist.

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