

North Providence School Department Temporary Homebound Instruction Policy	Approved: 4/29/2020

I. PURPOSE

The North Providence School Committee is committed to providing every child with access to an education, consistent with the district’s strategic plan, policies, and applicable federal and state requirements.

The purpose of this policy is to ensure that students enrolled in the North Providence School Department but temporarily unable to attend a public school due to a documented medical condition, are provided with appropriate academic support, including tutoring, if necessary.

This policy does not apply to students who receive tutoring under a 504 Plan or Individualized Educational Plan.

II. POLICY

Eligibility for temporary homebound instruction is determined based on medical evidence submitted by a licensed physician. A student must have a physical or mental health condition, injury, or illness that will require the student to be homebound or hospitalized as diagnosed and confirmed by a licensed physician. Families that do have access to health care should contact the School Department and a referral will be made to the appropriate community agencies.

The North Providence School Department shall thereafter provide temporary homebound instruction (including access to all school district academic resources) at a rate of five (5) hours per school week at the elementary level and (6) hours per school week at the secondary level, including tutoring if necessary, in accordance with the Temporary Homebound Instruction Protocol. When necessary, tutoring will be provided at no cost to the parent/guardian or adult student.

The goal of short-term homebound instruction is to facilitate the student’s return to school within a specific time period.

The Superintendent is directed to develop protocols regulation and facilitate this policy and further the Superintendent or his/her designee will oversee the implementation of such

requirements consistent with this policy.

Legal Reference:

CFR § 300.115(C)

RIGL § 16-38-6(a)

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