

St. Clair County Schools Homebound Services

Homebound services are *temporary educational services* offered for students in St. Clair County Schools who cannot attend school due to a medical issue, documented by a physician or psychologist. These students require services either in their home or at a site-based location separate from general education population in order to access an appropriate education. Confidentiality of students' status of services, medical condition, etc. are to be kept confidential.

Homebound instruction is not provided in the same way instruction is provided in general education classrooms. Accommodations and/or modifications, abbreviated assignments, and accommodated/modified grading systems are generally implemented. Students requiring homebound services receive instruction in the core subject areas of reading, math, science and social studies.

Homebound services are essential for some students to have access to general education services. However, these services are intended to be *temporary* and are only to be used when absolutely necessary. When extracurricular activities, employment, and/or students' social lives resume to their pre-homebound activity level or to a level similar to their peers and the student no longer exhibits a medical condition that interferes with the ability of a student to attend school, homebound services should be discontinued and the student should return to school.

Expectations for Students:

- **Cooperate and be respectful of the homebound teacher.**
- **Complete assignments in a timely manner.**
- **Ask for clarification when expectations are not clear.**
- **When homebound appointments must be cancelled for known reasons (doctor appointment), notify the homebound teacher 24 hours prior to scheduled time.**
- **Study/work on assignments at times other than when the homebound teacher is present.**
- **Inform homebound teacher when medical condition is interfering with ability to perform academic tasks.**
- **Inform homebound teacher when disability no longer interferes with the ability to attend school and provide medical documentation to the school.**

Expectations for Parents:

- **Provide directions to home for homebound teacher and information regarding the adult that will be present during the instructional sessions.**
- **Someone over the age of 18 must be in the home at all times when the homebound teacher is present.**
- **Call the homebound teacher when student is unavailable to keep appointment at least 2 hours in advance.**
- **Be accessible in the home when homebound teacher is present.**
- **Assist student in organizing time for assignment completion.**
- **Encourage student to complete assignments on time.**
- **Contact the homebound teacher with concerns.**
- **When student no longer requires homebound services, contact the homebound teacher.**

Homebound services are only provided when absolutely necessary for a child to receive an

appropriate education. If the child is employed, attending other types of classes, etc. then they most likely do not need homebound services.