

Pickett County Board of Education

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1 **REMEDIAL INSTRUCTION**

2 The remedial program will concentrate mainly on improvement of reading and math skills for the most
3 educationally needy students. Various materials will be used to supplement the work being done in the
4 classroom.

5 Instructional assistants will assist students in reading and math, working under the direction of the regular
6 classroom teacher.

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8 **HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION**

9 The Homebound Instruction Program is for students who, because of health impairments are unable to
10 attend the regular instructional program. The program consists of three (3) hours of instruction per week¹
11 provided by a certified and properly endorsed teacher.

12 To qualify for the Homebound Program, a student must have a health impairment of sufficient
13 seriousness to anticipate that the student will be absent for a minimum of five (5) consecutive school
14 days. The student must be certified by an appropriate health care provider as being health-impaired and
15 unable to attend the regular instructional program. The homebound teacher will conduct the M-Team
16 meeting and will develop an IEP for the student.

17 **Application Process:** The parent is responsible for the completion and submission of the homebound
18 application to the board of education office. Parents should not expect the physician to send the
19 application from his/her office. All sections of the homebound form must be completed before a decision
20 regarding homebound will be made. Upon receipt of all required documentation, a determination will
21 be made regarding the student's eligibility for homebound services. Decisions regarding a student's
22 eligibility for homebound services are made at the Pickett County Board of Education office. A
23 physician's statement is never utilized as the sole criterion for determining homebound services.

24 The medical documentation section must be completed and signed by the appropriately license specialist
25 (i.e. M.D., Pediatric M.D., OB/GYN M.D., Orthopedic Surgeon M.D., Psychiatrist, etc.) Application
26 signed by physician's assistants, nurses, nurse practitioners, chiropractors, etc. will not be accepted.
27 Students who are seeking homebound services for emotional or psychological disorders (bipolar
28 disorder, depression, anxiety, phobias, etc.) must have the form completed by a licensed clinical
29 psychologist, neurologist, or psychiatrist. Family physicians not licensed in treating psychological
30 disorders may not be the doctor of record in these cases.

1 If a student's condition required homebound services for a period to exceed thirty (30) days, the parent
2 is responsible for submitting a recertification form prior to the end of the initial homebound period. The
3 recertification form must be obtained from the board of education office.

4 **Guidelines and Procedures**

- 5 1. The parent/guardian (or other responsible adult authorized by parent/guardian) **MUST** be present
6 in the home during the entire homebound instructional period.
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- 8 2. A regular program of study and preparation of lessons is required for each student. In addition to
9 the instruction provided by the homebound teacher, the student will be expected to complete
10 assignments on his/her own time. Assignments must be completed prior to the homebound
11 teacher's next scheduled visit.
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- 13 3. The homebound program adheres to the school board policy on attendance. Three absences
14 (cancellation of homebound visits) will result in a review by the homebound director and may
15 result termination of the homebound services.
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- 17 4. Homebound students will take state assessments at school in a location separate from their peers.
18 It is the responsibility of the parent to make arrangements for providing transportation for student
19 to be brought to school and picked up after testing is complete.
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- 21 5. If a student's condition requires homebound services for a period to exceed thirty (30) days, parent
22 is responsible for submitting recertification form prior to the end of the initial homebound period.
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- 24 6. A student may not be employed while receiving homebound services.
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- 26 7. A student who is receiving homebound services may not visit his/her school campus without prior
27 authorization by the school principal. Additionally, students assigned to homebound are not
28 allowed to attend extracurricular activities such as school dances or sporting events unless
29 specifically authorized by the principal of the student's school. Attendance at such activities
30 without prior written authorization may result in the student's removal from the homebound
31 program.
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- 33 8. Due to the nature of the coursework, state requirements and the student's current status in each
34 course, some courses may be determined by administration as inappropriate for homebound
35 services. Homebound instruction will not be available for those courses.
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- 37 9. The homebound instruction program for pregnant students shall consist of three (3) hours of
38 instruction per week for a period of six (6) weeks.² The student's physician shall recommend, in
39 writing, the six-week period for which the student shall be eligible for homebound instruction. A
40 homebound instruction program for longer than the six (6) week period shall only be provided to

- 1 a student who is certified in writing by her physician as having health complications arising from
- 2 the pregnancy that prevent her from returning to regular classes.

Legal References

1. TCA 49-10-1102
2. TRR/MS 0520-1-2-.10