



# Creighton School Division No. 111

<b>Policy Name:</b>	<b>Home-Based Education</b>
<b>Policy Type:</b>	<b>Students</b>
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The Board of Education recognizes the right of parents to register in a home-based education program with the school division. The Board also recognizes that the costs of a home-base education program rest with parents who choose this form of education for their children.

## **Guidelines:**

1. The Director of Education will ensure that:
  - Home-based education programs are registered, administered and monitored in accordance with *The Education Act, 1995* and Home-Based Education regulations and policy guidelines of the Ministry of Education.
  - A permanent record for each home-based education program is maintained.
  - A special education plan addresses services for special needs students enrolled in a registered home-based education program.
2. The Board will provide funds to each home-based learner who is registered with the school division by September 30<sup>th</sup> and continues their home-based education through to June 30<sup>th</sup> of each school year. This funding will be payable to the student's parents/guardians following the receipt of an approved Education Plan in September of each school year and an Annual Report on or before June 30<sup>th</sup> of each school year. This funding is intended to defer some of the cost of a home-based education program. The level of funding is set at a rate determined by the Board. Changes in this rate are proportionate to the changes in the decentralized school budgets.
3. The following services will be made available to registered home-based learners:
  - The school division will provide funds to each registered home-based learner to help defer some of the cost of a home-based education program.
  - The school division will provide a standardized test once each school year for a home-based learner if it is requested by the home-based educator. The school division will provide the home-based educator with the results of the standardized test and an interpretation of the results.

- Instructional resources may be borrowed by home-based educators from school library pursuant to the borrowing and usage policy of the Creighton Community School library;
  - Textbooks surplus to the school program may be borrowed from the school;
  - Driver training for high school aged students will be made available upon request;
4. In the case of a disagreement between the school division and the home-based educator relating to a home-based education program, the matter can be referred to the home-based education dispute resolution process. This dispute resolution process is described in the regulations of *The Education Act, 1995*.