

Richmond School District
Participation of Non-Public School Students in District Courses,
Programs and Activities

Policy #: 424

Participation in Public School Courses and Programs

Non-public school students (private school and home-based private educational program students) may participate in public school courses and programs in the Richmond School District as follows:

1. A home-based private educational program student, whether he/she resides in the District or not, may take up to two courses during a semester at any public school in the District provided the following conditions are met: (a) the student has met the standards for admission at that grade level as required by law and as established by the District Administrator or designee; (b) there is sufficient space in the classroom; and (c) the student is taking no more than two courses in any public school in the state during any semester.
2. A non-public school student who resides in the District may participate in District educational programs or services when specifically required by law. For example, summer school programs and programs for students with disabilities.

Non-public school students attending any course pursuant to this policy are generally subject to the same course requirements, attendance policies, and behavior expectations as are applicable to the District's public school students. Similarly, to the extent permitted by law, non-public school students will be required to meet the same mandatory prerequisites or alternative demonstrations of competency that apply to public school students seeking to take a particular course.

Non-public school students participating in public school courses and programs under this policy shall be responsible for their own transportation to and from the public school, except as otherwise required by law.

Participation in Interscholastic Athletics and Extracurricular Activities

A home-based private educational program student who resides in the District may participate in interscholastic athletics and extracurricular activities in the District on the same basis and to the same extent that students enrolled in the District are allowed to participate. The home-based private educational program in which the student is enrolled shall provide the District with a written statement that the student meets the District's requirements for participation in interscholastic athletics or extracurricular activities based on age and academic and disciplinary records.

Legal References:

Wisconsin Statutes

[Section 118.04](#) [resident students attending summer school]

[Section 118.13](#) [student nondiscrimination]

[Section 118.133](#) [home-based private educational program student participation in interscholastic athletics and extracurricular activities]

- [Section 118.145\(4\)](#) [resident students enrolled in private and tribal schools taking courses in public high school]
- [Section 118.53](#) [home-based private educational program students taking courses in public schools]
- [Section 121.004\(7\)\(e\)](#) [aid formula for counting private school students who are taking courses in public schools]
- [Section 121.004\(7\)\(em\)](#) [aid formula for counting home-based private educational program students who are taking courses in public schools]
- [Section 121.54\(2\)\(c\)](#) [[authority to transport students not required to be transported, including private school and home-based private educational program students](#)]

Federal Laws

- [Individuals with Disabilities Education Act](#) [programs for students with disabilities; participation by students enrolled in private schools]

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