

ADMISSION OF NONPUBLIC STUDENTS FOR PART-TIME ENROLLMENT

The Waynesboro School Board acknowledges the provisions for equivalent instruction under Virginia law. The Board further observes that equivalent or "acceptable alternative" home or private school instruction is not the same as the education delivered in the public school system.

The parents of students attending private school or being home schooled pursuant to Va. Code § 22.1-254.1 who wish to enroll their students on a part-time basis in Waynesboro Public Schools for participation in academic and/or extracurricular/club activities shall, along with the students, conform with the following provisions:

I. Admission

Waynesboro Public Schools will permit part-time enrollment only to nonpublic middle or high school students in grades 6 – 12.

The parents shall identify their children as private school or home school students who desire part-time enrollment in academic courses of study. Students admitted under this policy shall be designated as part-time students. At the time of applying for admission, students shall designate the academic course(s) they want to attend and each extracurricular or club activity in which they wish to participate. Students enrolled on a part-time basis will be counted in the division's average daily membership (ADM). Part-time students who are either enrolled in a nonpublic school or are receiving home instruction pursuant to Va. Code § 22.1-254.1 and are enrolled in any mathematics, science, English, history, social science, career and technical education, fine arts, foreign language, health education or physical education course in the BLANK public schools shall be counted in the division's ADM on a pro rata basis. Each such course enrollment by such students will be counted as 0.25 in the ADM. However, no such nonpublic or home school student will be counted as more than one-half a student for purposes of such pro rata calculation. The pro rata calculation will not include enrollments of such student in any other public school courses.

II. Enrollment

Students must enroll in two classes, one of which must be a core academic class. Students may not enroll in more than two courses per semester in high school or two courses per school year in middle school. Students wishing to participate in an academic class shall have completed all prerequisite course work or the equivalent required of full-time public school students wishing to enroll in the course. For enrollment in programs or courses which require application, all students must meet the same requirements and criteria for selection or eligibility. Any allotted slots in regional programs, not filled by full-time students, may be available for part-time students meeting eligibility requirements.

If part-time enrollment causes total enrollment in a class or grade level to exceed the maximum allowed by state or local policy (e.g. resulting in the need to employ another teacher) admission will be denied.

Extracurricular or club activities will be limited to one per course taken and must be related to that course.

Once enrolled, the student shall comply with behavioral, disciplinary, attendance and other rules applicable to all students, including rules governing the use of the division's computer systems. If a student fails to comply, the school may withhold credit and/or terminate the student's participation in addition to taking any disciplinary action that would be taken against a full-time student for similar conduct.

III. Activities

Students wishing to participate in a Virginia High School League (VHSL) governed extracurricular or club activity shall satisfy the same or equivalent criteria for such activities that full-time students must satisfy, such as the VHSL "take five pass five" requirement. Students admitted under this policy shall participate in any try-out or selection process required of full-time students. The try-out and selection process is open to only those students who are currently enrolled on the try-out date.

IV. Transportation

The parents of the children for whom part-time admission is sought shall be responsible for the transportation of the child to and from school, including any expenses incident thereto.

V. Academic Credit

Class ranking and grade-point-average shall not be computed for part-time private/home school students.

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Legal Refs.: Code of Virginia, as amended, §§ 22.1-254.1; 22.1-253.13:2.C.

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Cross Refs.: JECA
JHCB
IGDA
IHB
IIBEA

School Admission
Student Immunizations
Student Organizations
Class Size
Acceptable Computer System Use