

**Notice of Intent to Pursue a Program of Home Education**

**Instructions:** Please complete this form, attach any additional information and forward it to Mary D. Colombo, Assistant Superintendent, Hopkinton Public Schools, 89 Hayden Rowe Street, Hopkinton, Massachusetts 01748 at least 14 days prior to the intended start date of the home education program. Schedule an appointment with the Assistant Superintendent at or before the application is submitted. If this process is initiated during the school year, the student must remain in school until the school district and the parents agree jointly to the home education plan.

A.

Parent Name		
Address		
Phone (days)		
E-mail		
Student(s)		D.O.B
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- B. On a separate sheet, describe the instructional program to be taught, including subjects and instructional aids to be used.
- C. Academic background, life experience and/or qualifications of those who will be instructing child(ren), as they relate to the instructional program described in Section B. This information will not be used to deny an application.
- D. Check the method of assessment to be used, followed by a brief description.
- Daily logs, journals, progress reports, portfolios, or dated work samples.
  - An independent report made by someone acceptable to both the Superintendent and parent(s) or guardian(s).
  - Standardized test results.
  - Consultation with the Superintendent or appropriate school principal.
  - Any other method agreed to by both the Superintendent and home educator(s).

**The following signature confirms the intent to provide a minimum of 900 (grades 1-8) or 990 (grades 9-12) hours of instruction.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Submitted

Date of home educator/ administrative meeting \_\_\_\_\_

The signature of the school official indicates final approval of this plan. A parent/administrative conference may be scheduled.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Superintendent or Designee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Attached to this application is a packet that included the following information:

- Hopkinton School Committee Home Education Policy
- School addresses/telephone numbers to contact for information about ongoing opportunities for participation within the school.

Failure of a home educator to abide in good faith by the procedures outlined above may result in the School Committee taking action under Massachusetts General Law Chapter 76, sections 2 and/or 4, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent. CHINS proceedings pursuant to Massachusetts General Law Chapter 119, Section 21, will NOT be invoked for any child pursuing a home education program.

REF: M.G.L. Chapter 76, Sections 1,2 and 4  
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For more information contact:

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N.B. A different form is used to provide notice of intent to *continue* a home education plan.  
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