



THE HOUSTON INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Item Text Report

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Office of the Superintendent of Schools

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Approval To Obtain A Waiver To Provide Remote Homebound Services

Homebound general education may be provided for a student at home or at a hospital bedside and must be provided by a certified general education teacher. Over the period of home or hospital confinement, the student must be provided instruction in all core academic subject area courses in which the student is enrolled. In addition, and if possible, over the period of confinement, the student should be provided instruction in all other courses in which the student is enrolled.

Remote homebound instruction is a limited option available for students in extremely severe medical circumstances when face-to-face instruction is not possible. Per the Texas Education Agency (TEA) *Student Attendance Accounting Handbook*, which was included by reference in 19 Texas Administrative Code 129.1025, a school district must obtain board approval to submit a TEA *Application for Remote Conferencing and Remote Homebound Waiver* for each student who meets the criteria. This agenda item requests that approval so the district may provide remote, rather than in-person, homebound services.

COST/FUNDING SOURCE(S): None

STAFFING IMPLICATIONS: None

THIS ITEM DOES NOT ESTABLISH, MODIFY, OR DELETE BOARD POLICY.

RECOMMENDED: That the School Board approves submitting a TEA waiver application to provide remote homebound services, effective September 13, 2024.