

**Instruction**

**Parent Instruction of Children at Home**

Parents wishing to educate children in the home may do so in compliance with Connecticut General Statutes and regulations of the Connecticut State Board of Education. When parents or guardians are willing to discuss their decision for equivalent education at home with school personnel, school district staff shall explain the advantages of a public school education to such parents or guardians without any criticism of parental choices.

Any parent choosing to provide home instruction must notify the West Hartford Public Schools Pupil Services Department to complete the Letter of Intent form.

If decisions are made by parents or guardians to return children who for a time have been educated at home to local schools, school staff shall provide an appropriate return to the public schools.

Children educated at home are considered to be non-public school students and are not part of the system's educational responsibility and are not part of the school system.

Legal Reference: Connecticut General Statutes:  
10-184 Duties of parents  
10-220 Duties of Board of Education  
Regulations of the Connecticut State Board of Education

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