

BEDFORD PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Bedford, Massachusetts

Home Education Plan Proposal

The Bedford School Committee recognizes the right of parents to educate their children outside of a school setting as provided by General Laws Chapter 76, Section 1. The law requires, however, that a child being educated outside of school must also be instructed in a manner approved, in advance, by the Superintendent or designee or the School Committee. The Bedford Public Schools does not approve home education programs for anything less than a full time instructional program.

Instructions:

One must obtain approval from the Superintendent of Schools or his/her designee prior to removing their child(ren) from the public schools and beginning a home education program. Please complete this form, attach any additional information, and forward it to: Assistant Superintendent of Schools, 97 McMahan Road, Bedford, MA 01730. Submission of this proposal should be at least twenty days (20) prior to the planned start of a home education program.

A. Home School Education Plan for the academic year: 20___ - 20___

Parent Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone (Day): _____ (Evening): _____

Student Name: _____
First Middle Last

Date of Birth: _____

E-mail Address: _____

B. Academic background, life experience, and/or qualification of those who will be instructing the child(ren), as they relate to the instructional program in Section C.

C. On a separate sheet, describe the instruction program to be taught, including subjects and instructional aids to be used. Please address the fine arts and physical education needs of the child in your proposal.

D. At least one of the following shall be submitted for evaluation. If the selected method entails advanced scheduling, please include details in order that the assessment be completed in a timely fashion.

- A progress report submitted to the principal and the Superintendent of Schools. This portfolio may include such elements as a journal, or log, or other written, oral or videotaped report; or dated work samples.
- Standardized test results by June 30 of the home education year.
Name of test: _____
- An independent report made by someone acceptable to both the Superintendent of Schools (or his/her designee) and the home educator(s).
- Any other method agreed to by both the Superintendent of Schools (or his/her designee) and the home educator(s).

Signature of Parent or Guardian

Date

E. The signature of the school official indicates final confirmation of this plan. A copy of the signed form will be sent to the parents with an approval letter. A parent/administrator conference may be scheduled to discuss the plan if it is deemed necessary. Ordinarily, you will receive a reply to your proposal within twenty (20) days from receipt of your application.

F. Appeal Process:

If the parent/guardian is dissatisfied with the Superintendent's decision on this application, an appeal may be made in writing. Parents have the right to a hearing to explain their plan and answer any questions. They may be represented by counsel and shall be provided reasonable notice of the time and place of such a hearing.

Signature of Superintendent or Assistant Superintendent

Date

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Home Education Program – Textbooks and Materials

Date: _____

Student: _____

Address: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Grade Level: _____

Please list the textbooks and materials for the following: Mathematics, English (reading, writing, English language, and grammar), Social Studies (geography and history), Science, Art, Music, Physical Education, Health

Subject:	_____
Textbook:	_____
Publisher:	_____ Copyright: _____
Teaching Materials:	

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Textbook:	_____
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