

Students**Attendance****Home Based Private Education/Students Open Enrolled to Other Districts/Private School Students**

Non-public school students (private school and home-based private educational program students) may participate in public school courses and programs in the Watertown Unified School District as follows:

1. A private school student may take up to two courses per semester at the high school provided the following conditions are met: (a) the student is eligible for high school admission and has met any established prerequisites for the course(s); (b) the student resides in the District; and (c) there is sufficient room in the classroom.
2. A home-based private educational program student, whether he/she resides in the District or not, may take up to two courses during a semester at any public school in the District provided the following conditions are met: (a) the student has met the standards for admission to the course at that grade level as required by law and as established by the Superintendent and his/her designee; (b) there is sufficient space in the classroom; and (c) the student is taking no more than two courses in any public school in the state during any semester.
3. A non-public school student who resides in the District may participate in District educational programs or services when specifically required by law. For example, summer school programs and programs for students with disabilities.
4. A non-public student, unless required by law, may not participate in District co-curricular activity programs.

Non-public school students participating in courses, activities or programs in the District shall be subject to the same school and District rules and regulations as other students attending schools in the District.

Non-public school students participating in public school courses and programs under this policy shall be responsible for their own transportation to and from the public school, except as otherwise required by law.

Resident home-based private education students wishing to take courses in Watertown High School shall apply, in writing, to the principal. Written application shall include the name(s), of the course(s), requested, and the signature of the parent/guardian and the student. Written application may be submitted beginning after the first Monday in February for the fall semester and may be submitted beginning October 1 for the Spring semester. Applications must be submitted no later than 6 weeks prior to the start of the course. Applicants will be notified of the status of their application not later than 1 week prior to the start of the course.

Approval of part-time attendance for a course only applies to the semester, year or other session in which the course is offered. The Board shall require private school or homebound education pupils to reapply for each additional semester, year or other session in which a course is offered.

In all cases, the placement decision regarding specific course prerequisites and grade level placement will be the responsibility of the school district. A decision denying a request for admission to a course or grade level may be appealed to the Superintendent. If not resolved at that level, an appeal may be made to the Board of Education.

The student must agree to abide by school district rules and regulations and may be removed from attendance if behaviors interfere with the quality of the program or the rights of others.

Legal Reference: **Section 118.04 Wisconsin Statutes**
 Section 118.13 Wisconsin Statutes
 Section 118.145(4) Wisconsin Statutes
 Section 118.53 Wisconsin Statutes
 Section 121.004(7)(e) Wisconsin Statutes
 Section 121.004(7)(em) Wisconsin Statutes
 Section 121.54(2)(c) Wisconsin Statutes
 Individuals with Disabilities Education Act

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