

The School Board will furnish educational programs or services to Private, Parochial, or Home-based Educational Schools within the school district on an annual basis when the following conditions have been met.

1. A private school student who is a resident of the District may take up to two courses per semester in 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
  - (c) there is sufficient space in the classroom.
2. A private school student who is a resident of the District may request to take up to two courses during the school year in an elementary or middle 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 established by the Superintendent or designee,
  - (b) the course is not available in or required to be provided by the private school
  - (c) there is sufficient space in the classroom.
3. 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 or designee
  - (b) the student is taking no more than two courses in any public school in the state during any semester.
  - (c) there is sufficient space in the classroom.
4. The administration of the Portage Community Schools will analyze the request and on the impact of the requests on staff, facilities, budget, and probably future implications.
5. Students from a Private, Parochial Schools or home-based educational program who participate in shared programs shall be subject to the Policies and Rules and Regulations of the Portage Community Schools and if an educational program is involved the students shall be evaluated and graded on their achievements on the same basis as public school students.
6. The Portage Community Schools will not be required to provide transportation for student attendance in shared programs.
7. Non-resident students who are members of a school receiving shared services may participate in Board approved shared group or class programs upon the payment of same fees or deposits full time students pay at the appropriate level or class, and such other fees as may be charged to resident students. Nonresident pupils who desire to receive individual and handicapped educational programs and who are members of a private or parochial school located within the Portage Community Schools District may receive such services upon approval of the School Board and upon payment of the appropriate tuition charges.
8. A non-public school student who is a resident of the District may participate in District co-curricular activity programs where space is available and the District would not incur any additional cost for such participation. The rules of the Wisconsin Interscholastic Athletic Association (WIAA) and other co-curricular activity regulatory entities will be followed where applicable when making decisions regarding private school or home-based private educational program student participation in a co-curricular activity program.

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