

Suggested policy (handbook or board)

STUDENTS CONFINED TO HOSPITAL OR HOME

The Michigan School Code makes provisions for seriously ill students to satisfy Michigan's compulsory attendance law by receiving instruction away from the school building. Prior to a student receiving off-site instructional services the student's attending licensed physician must first certify that the student has a medical condition that is serious enough to require hospitalization or strict confinement to his/her home during regular school hours for a period longer than 5 school days.

These instructional services are not designed to replace classroom programs but are designed to help students keep pace with class work for the temporary period they are confined to home or hospital. While receiving homebound services it is understood that the student is also unable to participate in any extracurricular activities including part-time employment. If the student is able to participate in such activities; it is reasonable to expect him/her to attend school. These services shall discontinue if the student is no longer confined to a hospital or their home for a serious medical condition

Homebound services are not designed for short-term illness. Homebound teaching is for children who, for a minimum of one full week, cannot possibly attend the regular classroom. The intent of this service is to provide an opportunity for students to keep the student up-to-date with assignments and tests. This is to be done with the cooperation of the Regular Education Teacher, Homebound Teacher, and participating student. The Homebound Teacher will coordinate all work including tests and assignments with the Regular Education Teacher. The student who applies him/her self will then be able to return to a regular classroom situation after his/her illness.