

## **SCHOOL-COMMUNITY RELATIONS**

### ***Series 1000***

**Policy Title:       Competent Private Instruction/Home School Assistance Program**

**Code Number:     AR1581**

#### A. General Provisions

Participation in the Home School Assistance Program is a parental choice for families choosing to home school. The Iowa Code allows parents options for complying with the compulsory attendance law.

The Sioux City Community School District supports a Home School Assistance Program for families choosing to educate their children of compulsory attendance age at home (age five on or before September 15 of the current year through twenty years of age).

The Sioux City Community School District provides the Home School Assistance Program staff.

#### B. Requirements

Families participating in the Home School Assistance Program must comply with the reporting requirements of the competent private instruction law:

- Filing competent Private Instruction Report, Form A-96, for each child in accordance with the reporting requirements of the competent private instruction law.

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- Provide evidence of required immunizations, or a doctor's statement, or affidavit of religious exemption as outlined in Section 139.9 of the Code of Iowa.
  - Provide course of study information.
  - Indicate number of days of instruction during the academic year, which must include at least 148 days.
- C. When a child has been identified as currently requiring special education, the child is eligible to receive competent private instruction with the written approval of the director of special education of the area education agency of the child's district or residence.

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