

July 2023

## **HOME SCHOOL REGISTRATION 2023-24**

# Dear Parents/Guardians:

Our records indicate that you either home schooled your child(ren) this past school year or requested home school information for the 2023-2024 school year. To assist us in meeting the legal reporting requirements, we ask that you review the information that is available on our district website <a href="www.farmington.k12.mn.us">www.farmington.k12.mn.us</a>. If you are unable to access this information, please contact me to receive the forms you would like. Due to changes in home school legislation, please find the appropriate instructions below.

Minnesota Statutes 120A.22-120A.26 and 121A.15 requires the person in charge of providing instruction to a child must submit the following information to the superintendent of the district in which the child resides:

- 1. by October 1 of each school year, any current home schools that are reenrolling students will need to submit one of the following:
  - a. Minnesota Home School Full Report; or
  - b. A Letter of Intent to Continue Home Schooling, which must include any changes to last year's information.
- 2. By October 1 of each school year, if you are a new home school or enrolling new students, you will need to submit all of the following:
  - a. Minnesota Home School Full Report
  - b. Documentation of immunizations

## The following forms are optional:

<u>Form</u>	<u>Due Date</u>
Student Report for Aids to Nonpublic Students	October 1
Request for Textbooks, Standardized Test & Individual Instr. Materials	Sept.15
District Secondary Guidance/Counseling Services	Sept.15
District Pupil Health Services	Sept.15
Shared Time for the 2024-25 school year	Jan. 15, 2024
Application for Educational Benefits	

## **Special Education Services**

State and federal laws require every school district to locate and offer special education and related services to students, public and private, who are eligible under the guidelines of the state. In Minnesota, homeschools are considered nonpublic schools.

Farmington Area Public Schools work with nonpublic schools to find students, starting at birth, who may need special education services. This is called "child find" and is required by state and federal law. To determine if a student is in need of special education and related services, a comprehensive evaluation must be conducted by the school district special education team. This initial evaluation is typically completed on site of the public school by a certified special education evaluation team.

If students enrolled and attending a homeschool meet criteria and are in need of services, the district team will work together with the family to propose an individual education or service plan. The majority of the time, services are offered on site of the public school.

Farmington Area Public Schools provide specially designed instruction and programming for students with special learning needs. We pride ourselves on the quality of our staff and our efforts to provide appropriate instruction for each student based on the latest education research. We are committed to developing the skills and potential of every student serviced.

If you are concerned about your child's educational achievement, language, articulation, hearing, vision or social/emotional development and you suspect that your child may have a disability, please contact Ms. Dana Strop at 651-463-5020.

If you decide to enroll your child/children in Farmington Area Public Schools or another non-public school instead of home school for the 2023-24 school year, please let us know. Also, if you moved out of our district, we would appreciate notification (you may e-mail <a href="mailto:ljensen@farmington.k12.mn.us">ljensen@farmington.k12.mn.us</a> or call the Superintendent's Office at 651-463-5013).

Sincerely,

Lori Jensen Executive Assistant Office of the Superintendent and Board of Education

#### EDUCATIONAL AID REIMBURSEMENT RATES:

The Minnesota Department of Education has established the following authorized rates of entitlement per eligible pupil to be used in computing district allotments for non-pupil aids for school year 2023-2024 as follows:

Textbooks, Standard Tests, and\$	95.69
Individual Instructional Materials	
Pupil Health Services\$	85.30
Secondary Pupil Guidance & Counseling Services\$	317.11

If you choose to participate and in order to be eligible for reimbursement, you are required to complete and return the Student Report for Aids to Nonpublic Students to ISD 192 by October 1, 2023.

#### ADDITIONAL WEBSITE LINKS

<u>http://education.state.mn.us</u> – this is the Minnesota Department of Education's website. Home school information may be found on their website by selecting: School Choice – Home Schooling.

http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/stats/120A/22.html - this website will bring you directly to the Minnesota Statute that provides information regarding compulsory reporting requirements of home schools to school districts in the State of Minnesota.

http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/stats/121A/15.html - this website will bring you directly to the Minnesota statute providing immunization reporting requirements. The school district is required to complete and return an annual immunization status report to the State of Minnesota.

	Direct Phone No. and	Resource/Contact
Name/Location	E-Mail Address	Regarding:
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ISD 192, Business Office	rswanson@farmington.k12.mn.us	
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Director of Secondary Learning	cbussmann@farmington.k12.mn.us	Testing
Lisa Edwards	(651) 463-5016	Graduation Standards
Director of Elementary Learning	<u>ledwards@farmington.k12.mn.us</u>	Testing
Keith Badger	(651) 252-2515	Co-Curricular Activities
ISD 192, Athletic Director	kbadger@farmington.k12.mn.us	
Dana Strop	(651) 463-5020	Special Services Needs
ISD 192, Special Services Director	dstrop@farmington.k12.mn.us	