

Section I:

**Instructional  
Goals and  
Objectives**

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**HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION**

Students considered for homebound instruction must have a health impairment of sufficient seriousness as certified by an approved provider or licensed doctor of medicine or osteopathy that prohibits them from regular school attendance, and that the student will miss more than ten (10) consecutive instructional days over the period of the school year due to the medical condition.

Students with disabilities previously certified as eligible under IDEA and state regulations will receive (if determined eligible by the IEP-Team) homebound services. Students with health impairments of a short duration or temporary nature will receive (if determined eligible by the Student Support Team (S-Team) or Section 504 Team) homebound services. Prior to the expiration of the homebound period, the team shall develop a transition plan for the student's reentry into school.

All homebound placements shall be temporary. Homebound placements shall not exceed thirty (30) school days duration unless there is a health impairment that requires extended homebound instruction and placement. In that case, a homebound placement shall be reviewed at intervals of thirty (30) school days to ensure the appropriateness of the provision of instruction and placement.<sup>1</sup>

**HOMEBOUND SERVICES PROVIDED FOR STUDENTS POST-PREGNANCY**

The homebound instruction program for post-pregnancy students shall consist of a minimum of three (3) hours of instruction per week for a period of six (6) weeks for natural delivery or 8 weeks for Caesarean delivery.<sup>2</sup>

The student's physician shall state, in writing, the student's condition for eligibility for homebound instruction, with an estimated date for delivery.

A homebound instruction program for longer than the six (6) week period shall be provided only to a student who is certified in writing by a physician as having health complications that prevent the student from returning to the least restrictive environment.

Legal References:

1. T.C.A. § 49-10-1102.
2. TRR/MS § 0520-1-2-.10.

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