**INSTRUCTION 6172.3**

**Parent/Guardian Instruction of Children at Home**

Parents wishing to educate children in the home may do so in compliance with Connecticut General Statutes and regulations of the Connecticut State Board of Education. When parents/guardians are willing to discuss their decision for equivalent education at home with Bethany Public School District (District) personnel, District personnel shall explain the advantages of a public school education to such parents/guardians without any criticism of parental choices.

If decisions are made by parents/guardians to return children who for a time have been educated at home to the public school, District personnel shall provide appropriate assistance for the child’s return.

Children educated at home are considered to be non-public school students and are not part of the system’s educational responsibility and are not part of the District.

It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to contact the Office of the Superintendent stating their intent to home school their child.

Legal References: Connecticut General Statutes § 10-184

Connecticut General Statutes § 10-220

Connecticut State Board of Education Regulations

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