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SCHOOL DISTRICT OF MANATEE COUNTY

Dear Parent,

To initiate a home education program for your child(ren) according to Florida Statute 1002.41, you are required to notify the district school superintendent of the county in which you reside of your intent to establish and maintain a home education program. The notice/letter containing the full legal name(s), address, and birthdates of all intended students must be submitted in writing. When processing of the notice is complete, you will be sent a verification letter of your Manatee County home education registration.

The parent is responsible for maintaining a portfolio as well as providing an annual evaluation of each child's academic progress. The portfolio should consist of educational activities and student samples of writings, worksheets, workbooks, or creative materials. The evaluation is due one year from the date on the letter of intent. All costs related to home education and the evaluation are the responsibility of the parent.

Failure to maintain compliance with the annual evaluation will result in termination. Home education satisfies compulsory attendance in Florida; therefore, non-compliance will cause a truancy notification.

If you choose to terminate your home education program, you must notify the district school superintendent in writing. Additionally, a final evaluation is due within 30 days of the termination date. If termination is for reenrollment in the School District of Manatee County, District policies and Florida State Board of Education Rule 6A-1.09941 will govern the grade placement and or the transfer of credits. The rule is also included for your review.

Lastly, you may visit the Florida Department of Education website under School Choice for statutory and compliance information.

To access forms, please visit https://www.manateeschools.net/homeschool. Forms may be submitted to:

School District of Manatee County
Home Education Department
1400 1st Ave E, Palmetto, FL 34221

Email: homeschool@manateeschools.net

Thank you, Home Education Department