

Action Item
Remote Homebound Instruction Waiver

December 14, 2021

SUMMARY:

- This item requests approval of a Remote Homebound Instruction waiver to provide general education homebound (GEH) services virtually to a Denton ISD student

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

- None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

- 2021-2022 Student Attendance Accounting Handbook allows GEH students only 20 hours of virtual instruction before having to apply for a waiver for FSP funding purposes
- The 20 hours are used sparingly, usually when a student must have out-of-town treatment, therapy, etc. and cannot exceed 20 hours
- An 8th grade Denton ISD student was recently diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma and doctor has recommended GEH services through May 26, 2022
- Chemotherapy severely compromises immunosuppression, making her high risk for secondary infection when in contact with others outside the home
- Student is an out-of-district transfer; GEH services do not extend outside of Denton ISD attendance zone
- Student has been in Denton ISD since her 4th grade year; parent works for district

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

- Approving a waiver for one out-of-district student may cause issues with other out-of-districts request GEH services

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

- None

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Passage of waiver will allow a GEH teacher to serve the student remotely and the home campus to receive fsp funding for the student's homebound attendance.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

- Upon Board approval, the waiver will be submitted for TEA approval
- GEH homebound will develop procedures to consider the serving of an out-of-district transfer student

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

- None

ALTERNATIVES:

- Continue GEH services virtually without attendance funding

OTHER COMMENTS:

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION: *Approval of a Remote Homebound Instruction TEA waiver for General Education Homebound to serve a student virtually for more than the allowed 20 hours to submit the waiver to TEA for approval.*

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

- Lesli Guajardo, Director of District Services

ATTACHMENT:

- Remote Homebound Instruction (Other Waiver)
- Condition of Eligibility for Homebound Services

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____