



Homeschooling, Home & Hospital Instruction, Remote Learning... What do they all mean?!

Understanding these terms is important. This factsheet will help you know the differences so you can make an informed choice for your family.

Homeschooling	Home & Hospital Instruction	Remote/Virtual/Distance Learning
Your child is not enrolled in the public school district.	Your child is enrolled in the public school district.	Your child is enrolled in the public school district.
Your child's IEP is not valid and no services will be provided.	Your child's IEP is effective with the placement changed to home instruction.	Your child's IEP is effective with no change in placement.
To return to the public school district, your child must be re-enrolled and referred to the Child Study Team to start the IEP process from the beginning.	Instruction is delivered in your home (or another appropriate setting) for a minimum of 6 hours per week. The amount of hours is an IEP Team decision. The need for Related Services is an IEP Team decision.	Instruction is remote in the home during emergency school closures.
Your child is not entitled to a Free and Appropriate Public Education (FAPE)	Your procedural safeguards are in place.	Your procedural safeguards are in place.
You are responsible for instruction. (Curriculum, lesson plans, assignments, and tests.)	The teacher and school are responsible for instruction.	The teacher and school are responsible for instruction.
Schedule determined by you.	Schedule determined by teacher/school district.	Schedule determined by IEP team/teacher/school district.
http://marylandpublicschools.org/about/Pages/DSFSS/SSSP/HomeInstruct/index.aspx	http://marylandpublicschools.org/programs/Documents/Special-Ed/TAB/18-01-HomeHospital.pdf	http://marylandpublicschools.org/pr ograms/Documents/Special-Ed/TAB/20-01-ServingchildrenunderCOVID-19Pandemic.pdf

CONTACT THE PARENTS' PLACE OF MARYLAND (PPMD) IF YOU HAVE ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS AT <https://www.ppmmd.org/contact/> OR 410-768-9100

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