

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT 719
PRIOR LAKE - SAVAGE AREA SCHOOLS**612 SHARED TIME PROGRAMS****I. PURPOSE**

The School Board may establish, perpetuate or disband a shared-time program for resident students of the district.

II. DEFINITIONS

- A. By definition, "shared-time" shall mean a program in which a student who is enrolled in a private school, homeschool, or non-public school, attends a public school for a portion of the school day.
- B. Homeschool students, under state definition, are members of a non-public school and consequently are able to attend part-time under the guidelines of the school district.

III. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY**A. Conditions for Shared-Time**

- 1. The space must be available in the instructional and non-instructional programs.
- 2. The shared time must not create a hardship on the public school program.
- 3. The shared time must not create a significant increase in cost on the public school program.
- 4. Class related field trips may require non-public parent/legal guardian supervision.
- 5. Students eligible for shared time must reside in the district and be homeschooled or enrolled in parochial/private schools.
- 6. Non-public school students will be subject to all policies, rules, and procedures of the schools and school district.

B. Procedures

- 1. The non-public parent/legal guardian or private school official will request in writing to the elementary/secondary office the specific shared time activities requested.
- 2. The Executive Director of Academic Services along with the building principal and staff will determine if the shared time is permissible based upon above conditions.
- 3. The parents/legal guardians or private school official will be notified whether or not their request is approved.
- 4. The Superintendent of Schools and involved public school principals shall attempt to cooperate in every possible manner with private school officials to accomplish the mutual objective: The provision of the best possible total education program for the shared-time students.

Cross References: Policy 611 (Homeschool)
Policy 613.1 (Credit Transfers at Prior Lake High School)
Policy 620 (Credit for Learning)

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