



## **IHSAA NON-PUBLIC, NON-ACCREDITED STUDENT ATHLETIC ELIGIBILITY RULE Q & A**

On April 29, 2013, the IHSAA Executive Committee approved a new by-law (Rule 12-5) allowing homeschoolers to participate at the public member school serving their legal residence. The criteria include:

- 1) The student, in conjunction with the school, provide proof to the IHSAA that the spirit of the eligibility rules will not be compromised including passing a physical examination and participating in the required number of practices in a given sport;
- 2) The student must have been home schooled for the previous three consecutive years;
- 3) The student completes all state-wide examinations as authorized by the Indiana Department of Education;
- 4) The student's family must submit grade information to the school to affirm the student is passing all courses;
- 5) The student must be enrolled in the school for which the student is participating for a minimum of one class per day.

The IDOE Office of Student Services has received the following FAQ's and these are reprinted for your reference:

1. Q. **Does this rule mean that the school corporation must accept dual enrolled homeschooled students?**  
A. It is a local decision to accept dual enrolled students.
2. Q. **Does the home schooled student have to take ISTEP+ and relevant ECA assessments if they are only enrolled in one course?**  
A. Yes, Grades 7 and 8 must take ISTEP+ and High School students must take the ECA if they are enrolled in Algebra I, or English 10, or equivalent.
3. Q. **Will the ISTEP+ and EOC scores be part of our district's accountability?**  
A. Yes.
4. Q. **Can we count the student for ADM funding?**  
A. Yes. Students who are enrolled in both the corporation of legal settlement and a nonpublic or home school and receive instructional services from the school corporation may be counted as a dual enrolled student for tuition support purposes using an average daily minute calculation.
5. Q. **Can charter schools receive ADM funding for dual enrolled home schooled students?**  
A. No.
6. Q. **Do we report attendance for these students?**  
A. No. Since the student will attend only a period or two a day, they will only be reported on the ME and not be reported in the school's cohort.
7. Q. **Does a home schooled student who is enrolled at an IHSAA member school count in the class/cohort and affect graduation rates for the member school?**  
A. No. They are a dual enrollment student only.
8. Q. **Should an IHSAA Transfer Report be completed for home schooled students?**  
A. Yes. The student is in essence transferring from another school to an IHSAA member school.

If you have specific questions, please contact the IHSAA.