ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES

Title: <u>Home Schooling</u>

Effective Date:March 22, 2000Responsibility:Superintendent of Program
and Schools (Elementary)

- **1.0** HOME SCHOOLING is a program provided by the parent(s) of a child. Home schooling is legal according to the Education Act 21(2) (a)...A child is excused from attendance at school if the child is receiving satisfactory instruction at home or elsewhere.
 - 1.1 When a parent informs a principal that he/she will be providing a home schooling program or the principal learns that information through other means, the principal will ask the parent/guardian to complete the *Responsibility for Home Schooling* and forward to the Superintendent of Program and Schools indicating:
 - 1.1.1 Name, and date of birth of each child
 - 1.1.2 Address (including lot and concession numbers, if necessary)
 - 1.1.3 Home telephone number

1.5 If the student is not attending school and a letter has not been received from the parent, the attendance counsellor will follow up as a regular attendance referral.

1.5.1 If the attendance counsellor ascertains that the parent has determined to provide home schooling, the counsellor will:

provide the parent with copies of, **"The Basic Educational Rights of Every Child"** (*Appendix 2*) and **"Responsibility for Home Schooling Form**" (*Appendix 1*) request the parent to provide the information required in the **"Responsibility for Home Schooling Form"**

1.6 Upon receipt of the information as described in 1.3, the Attendance Counsellor shall write a letter to the parent acknowledging that a program is being provided. (*Appendix 3*). A copy of the letter will be sent to the principal and the Superintendent of Program and Schools. The student's name will be entered in the "Home Schooling Registry" (*Appendix 5*). This registry will be completed and housed regionally.

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- 1.11 After the assessment has been completed, the superintendent or his/her designate shall inform the parent in writing of the status of the assessment. (Appendix 6)
- 1.12 Where assessment determines that "satisfactory instruction" does not exist, or where the parent refuses to co-operate, the superintendent shall instruct the Board's attendance counsellor to4(t)N3r tw(a)-4(6 i,-2(ni)-2(ns))-1(t)-2Tm(t)-2(e) odo4(t)N3r tw(a)-4(ni)-2(

Date:
Mr. & Mrs.

Head Office

P.O. Box 3110 963 Airport Road North Bay, ON P1C 1A5 Fax: 705.472.9927

Home Based Education

Dear Mr. & Mrs: _____:

Re: Your Child: _____

Date of Birth:

Parry Sound

Resource Centre 111A Isabella Street Parry Sound ON P2AN2 Fax: 705.746.7367

Main switchboard for all offices: 705.472.8170

Toll free: 1.800.278.4922

Web site: www.nearnorthschools.ca I have been informed by ______, Superintendent of Program and Schools, that you have assumed sole legal responsibility for the education of your child, ______, at home. The Near North District School Board is committed to the goal of quality education for each child within its area and we expect that you will follow through with the same commitment.

You may also wish to obtain copies of the new Ontario Curriculum documents which can be obtained by calling 1-



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Appendix #5



HOME SCHOOL REGISTRY

Superintendent's Name _____

Region_____

PARENT'S NAME	STUDENT'S NAME	STUDENT'S	SCHOOL STUDENT	COMMENTS
		DATE OF BIRTH	LAST ATTENDED	

Our mission is to educate learners to their fullest potential in preparation for life-long learning.