I. PURPOSE

Thetford Academy recognizes that some families believe home schooling is the best educational format for their children. Thetford Academy also recognizes that home study and fully enrolled students can benefit from participating together in school activities and programs. The purpose of this policy is to allow for the integration of home study students into Thetford Academy through enrollment in courses, participation in cocurricular and extracurricular activities, and use of facilities.

II. POLICY

It is the policy of Thetford Academy to comply with the requirements of applicable state and federal laws and regulations by allowing home study students to participate in courses, programs, activities, and services and to use school educational materials and equipment.

The Head of School (or his/her designee) shall develop administrative rules and procedures that comply with the rules promulgated by the Vermont State Board of Education as are necessary to implement this policy.

III. COMPONENTS OF POLICY

A. Supervision of students

School personnel shall be responsible for supervising home study students during their approved participation in school-sponsored activities. Parents/guardians of home study students shall be required to provide supervision for their children when the children are at school but not participating formally in school activities.

B. Transportation

Home study students shall be permitted to participate in the regular school transportation arrangements to attend school programs in which they are enrolled. The school will not provide special transportation except as required by law.

C. Appeals

Should a parent/guardian of a home study student disagree with or have concerns about a decision made by the Head of School, an appeal may be made to the Board of Trustees

(in care of Thetford Academy). The Board shall render a decision within 30 days of the request to appeal.

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