

**Home School Law**  
**Utah Code §53A-11-Part 1-102**

53A-11-Part 1-102 (2)(a) A local school board shall excuse a school-age minor from attendance if the school-age minor's parent files a signed and notarized affidavit with the school-age minor's school district of residence, as defined in Section 53A-2-Part 2-201,

- (a)
  - (i) that the school-age minor will attend a home school.
  - (ii) the parent assumes sole responsibility for the education of the school-age minor, except to the extent the school-age minor is dual enrolled in a public school as provided in Section 53A-11-Part 1-102.5.
- (b) A signed and notarized affidavit filed in accordance with Subsection (2)(a) shall remain in effect as long as:
  - (i) the school-age minor attends a home school; and
  - (ii) the school district where the affidavit was filed remains the school-age minor's district of residence.
- (c) A parent of a school-age minor who attends home school is solely responsible for:
  - (i) the selection of instructional materials and textbooks;
  - (ii) the time, place, and method of instruction, and
  - (iii) the evaluation of the home school instruction.
- (d) A local school board may not:
  - (i) require a parent of a school-age minor who attends a home school to maintain records of instruction or attendance;
  - (ii) require credentials for individuals providing home school instruction;
  - (iii) inspect home school facilities; or
  - (iv) require standardized or other testing of home school students.
- (e) Upon the request of a parent, a local school board shall identify the knowledge skills, and competencies a student is recommended to attain by grade level and subject area to assist the parent in achieving college and career readiness through home schooling.
- (f) A local school board that excuses a school-age minor from attendance as provided by this subsection (2) shall annually issue a certificate stating that the school-age minor is excused from attendance for the specific school year.
- (g) A local school board shall issue a certificate excusing a school-age minor from attendance;
  - (i) Within 30 days after receipt of a signed and notarized affidavit filed by the school-age minor's parent pursuant to Subsection (2); and
- (j) On or before August 1 each year thereafter unless;
  - A. The school-age minor enrolls in a school within the school district;
  - B. The school-age minor's parent or guardian notifies the school district that the school-age minor no longer attends a home school; or
  - C. The school-age minor's parent or guardian notifies the school district that the school-age minor's school district of residence has changed.

(3) A parent who files a signed and notarized affidavit as provided in Subsection (2)(a) is exempt from the application of Subsections 53A-11-Part 1-101.5(2), (5), and (6).

(4) Nothing in this section may be construed to prohibit or discourage voluntary cooperation, resource sharing, or testing opportunities between a school or school district and a parent or guardian of a minor attending a home school.