



Dallas Center-Grimes
Community School District
Administration Center

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Dear Parents of Private Instruction Students:

Several years ago changes occurred with new legislation regarding Private Instruction. The [Department of Education Private Instruction Comparison Chart](#) is attached. In brief, parents have the option of the following:

- Competent Private Instruction (CPI) Option 1: By or under the supervision of a licensed practitioner; Form A is required.
- Competent Private Instruction (CPI) Option 2: By a non-licensed person; Form A is only required for dual enrollment purposes.
- Independent Private Instruction (IPI): Students cannot dual enroll nor access standardized testing through the district.

For parents that choose CPI Option 2 (with no dual enrollment) and Independent Private Instruction, we are requesting, as allowed by law, that the district office be notified of these choices. Please review the bulleted items:

- FERPA notices are included. You MAY choose to complete and return.
- CPI Option 2: You MAY choose to participate in the district standardized testing at no cost. Please complete and return the Annual Assessment Form that is enclosed.

For parents that choose CPI Option 1 and Option 2 (with dual enrollment), please complete Form A and the Annual Assessment Form and return to the Dallas Center-Grimes District Office by the Friday before school starts.

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Additional pertinent information:

- For **both CPI options**, children under age 6 must be tested for lead poisoning. No documentation is required from you at this time.
- For **both CPI options**, proof of immunization must be submitted for your student. This is only necessary for CPI students enrolling for the first time.
*There are religious and medical exemptions. To obtain the form, call 1-800-831-6293 ext 1 or visit the Iowa Department of Public Health website (www.idph.state.ia.us)
- A copy of the Private Instruction handbook can be found on the following website: educateiowa.gov, click A-Z index, click on Private Instruction.
- Any credits earned through private instruction are not recognized for DC-G High School graduation requirements.

Please communicate your Private Instruction choice, any needed forms and any questions to Deanna Sandegren at 515-992-3866 or by email to deanna.sandegren@dcgschools.com.

Sincerely,

Scott Grimes
Superintendent

Enclosures