PARENT SUGGESTIONS

Dear

The Meriden Board of Education has established a program to provide instruction in the home and the hospital for children who are eligible under state law. Since this homebound program is designed for the best interests of your child and represents an additional expense to the taxpayer, the full cooperation of the home and school is essential.

Enclosed you will find some suggestions that should allow for instruction in the home to proceed smoothly. If you have any questions or concerns that the homebound teachers cannot answer, please call the school's guidance counselor or the Office of Pupil Personnel.

Thank you for your cooperation and we all hope that home instruction will be helpful to your child.

Sincerely,

Robert V. Wodatch, Coordinator Pupil Personnel Programs

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PUPIL PERSONNEL PROGRAMS Meriden Public Schools

SUGGESTIONS FOR HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION

- 1. See that an adult member of the family is always present in the home during instruction. The teacher has been instructed to leave the home if a responsible adult is not at home.
- 2. Provide a separate room away from other members of the family. If there are younger children at home, they must be quiet and not interfere with the teacher's instructions. Keep radios and television sets low. No one should be going in the room where instruction is taking place unless it is absolutely necessary.
- 3. Provide a table, desk or other suitable writing place.
- 4. Provide a place where books, pencils, crayons and other instructional material can be kept together but accessible.

Suggested: A bulletin board for younger children so they can display their work. (A large piece of corrugated cardboard will do nicely.)

- 5. Provide adequate lighting.
- 6. See that the teacher and student are not interrupted during the period of instruction unless there is a very good reason.
- 7. See that the teacher is not delayed. Remember the teacher has a regular schedule to keep. The teacher will arrange with you for a regular daily schedule of instruction. If for any reason he/she will be detained beyond 15 minutes or will be unable to come, he/she will call you.
- 8. If your child will be unable to accept instruction because of temporary indisposition, please call the teacher at once so that he/she will not be inconvenienced.
- 9. When you find out that your child can return to school, please call the Office of Pupil Personnel at 630-4177.

Thank you!