WAC 110-145-1730  What are the educational and vocational instruction requirements for children placed by the department (except interim facilities)?  (1) You must meet the following requirements for providing education and vocational instruction to the children placed by the department. For each child you must:

(a) Follow the educational plan approved by the child's DCFS worker;
(b) Support the child in regular school attendance. If a child is absent from school you must follow the school's reporting requirements. Notify the child's DSHS worker if the child is absent from school more than three consecutive school days;
(c) Receive approval from the child's DCFS worker prior to making any changes to a child's educational plan;
(d) Support the child's educational plan by providing each child with necessary school supplies and a suitable place to study;
(e) Develop a plan for a child's transportation to and from school;
(f) Provide or arrange for independent living skills education for developing self-sufficiency for children over the age of fifteen years; and
(g) Encourage older youth to pursue a post-secondary education when appropriate.

(2) If the instruction is given on your premises, you must:
(a) Receive approval from the child's DSHS worker if the child is placed in your care by the department;
(b) Have the program certified by the office of the superintendent of public instruction (OSPI) and provide classrooms separate from the living area; and
(c) Send DLR a written description of how you will provide an educational program for children under your care.

(3) If a child is not enrolled and attending school within three consecutive school days after being placed in your care, you must contact the child's school and DSHS worker in order to develop a plan which could involve long distance learning if appropriate.

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