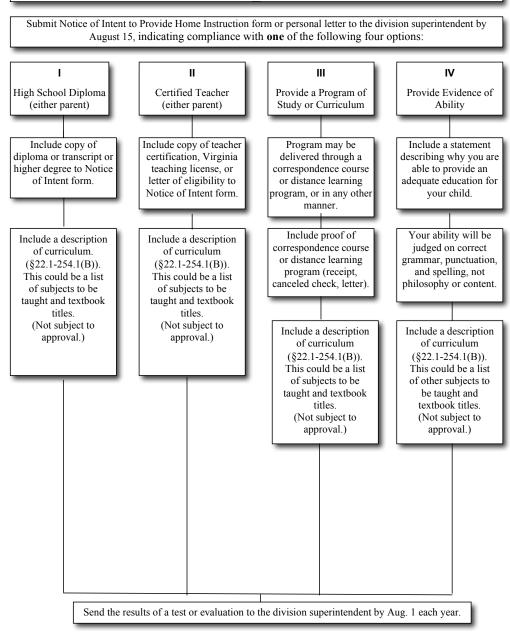
## Virginia Homeschool Laws

## Four Options Available for Home Instruction: § 22.1-254(H)(5) § 22.1-254(A) § 22.1-254(B)(1) § 22.1-254.1 Certified Tutor Religious Exemption Opt-Out Provision Homeschool Statute Statute \* (either parent) Applies to any child Virginia certification "A school board shall Send a "Notice of not six by Sept. 30. must be current. excuse from attendance Intent" form to the at school any pupil who, division superintendent together with his by August 15 parents, by reason of bona fide religious training or belief, is Notify school board that Send qualifications to Choose one of the four conscientiously opposed you do not wish your local division options listed on the to attendance at school". child to attend school superintendent for next page under until the following year approval. 'Homeschool Statute." Begin teaching. Reasons cannot include Begin teaching. No No testing required. political, sociological, or testing required if child philosophical views, or is not six by Sept. 30. personal moral code. May register child the Begin teaching. following year for No testing required. homeschool kindergarten or 1st grade. Parents must comply with immunization requirements and maintain records at home according to § 22.1-271.4. Exemptions for religious or medical reasons are available. \* Refer to the "Virginia Law" section in the Virginia Homeschool Manual for more details. Membership in Home School Legal Defense (HSLDA) is recommended.

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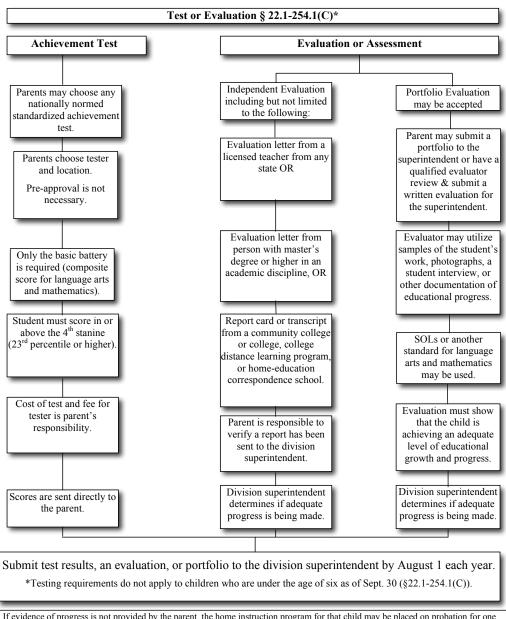


Homeschool Statute § 22.1-254.1

\*DO NOT SUBMIT MORE INFORMATION THAN IS REQUIRED BY LAW.

When complying with the statute, HEAV encourages parents to use the least intrusive methods of compliance that are acceptable to your superintendent. The flow chart above describes several methods that have satisfied superintendents' requirements.

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If evidence of progress is not provided by the parent, the home instruction program for that child may be placed on probation for one year. Parents must file with the division superintendent evidence of their ability to provide an adequate education and a remediation plan for the probationary year indicating they will be addressing any educational deficiencies. Upon acceptance of the plan, home instruction may continue for one year. If the plan and evidence are not accepted or the evidence or progress is not provided by August 1 following the probationary year, home instruction shall cease. §22.1-254.1(C)

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