

## **MANIFEST EDUCATIONAL HARDSHIP**

All students eligible for grades offered by the Croydon Village School will be assigned to school. For grades not contained in CVS, the parent/guardian may choose a school for their children.

When the parent/guardian believes that the assignment to the Croydon Village School will result in a detrimental or negative effect on the student, the Board shall consider these requests, according to the procedure outlined below.

### **Procedure for Consideration of a Manifest Educational Hardship Request**

The following procedures will be utilized when a parent/guardian seeks an alternate assignment from attending Croydon Village School based on an assertion that the current assignment constitutes a manifest educational hardship:

1. The parent/guardian will make a written request through the Superintendent's office, detailing the specific reasons why they believe that the current assignment constitutes a manifest educational hardship.
2. The Board will schedule a time at a regular board meeting held within thirty (30) days of receipt of the written request to hear the parent/guardian's request. The Board will hear the matter in non-public session, unless the parent/guardian requests the hearing be held in public session, subject to RSA 91-A:3, II(c).
3. The parent/guardian should present information demonstrating to the School Board that the current assignment does not serve the best interests of the student.
4. In determining whether the current assignment of the student constitutes a manifest educational hardship, and what the corresponding appropriate action should be (which may include, but not be limited to, assignment to a public school in another district), the Board will consider all information presented by the parent/guardian, the recommendations of the Superintendent, and any other information which the Board deems relevant and useful.
5. The Board reserves the legal power to make a determination on whether a given request constitutes a manifest educational hardship, and what the corresponding action should be, on a case-by-case basis.
6. The Board will render its decision in writing within fifteen (15) days after the Board meeting in which the parent/guardian addressed the Board, and will forward its written decision to the parents or guardians via US mail.
7. If a parent or guardian is aggrieved by the decision of the Board, he/she may appeal to the State Board of Education in accordance with the provisions of Ed 200.

**Legal References:**

*RS4 193:3, Change of School or Assignment; Manifest Educational Hardship*  
*NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed 320, Manifest Educational Hardship*  
*NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed 200, Rules of Practice and Procedure*

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