New Jersey Online Services HOMEBOUND EDUCATION PROGRAM

for Schools and Districts

Powered by Fuel Education







Fuel Education's Homebound Education Program reduces the administrative and financial burdens districts face when educating students with medical issues that keep them out of school. We provide a complete program—from enrolling students and placing them in the appropriate classes to providing instruction, materials, and assessments; from building pacing guides to submitting grades at a cost that is less than traditional homebound programs.

In school districts across the country, students face health and other issues that cause them to miss school for weeks and sometimes months. Regardless of the time they are not able to physically attend their school, continuing with their education is essential. **Traditional homebound programs can be expensive** to operate and difficult to staff—and students often have a hard time keeping up with coursework.

The FuelEd Homebound Education Program is a **cost-effective alternative** that enables students to **continue to receive the highest quality education,** engage with other students, and progress at a rate that keeps them on pace for an easy transition back into their regular classroom. We **tailor a learning program for each student** in the program by seamlessly combining our extensive online course catalog; engaging technology that can be accessed anywhere, anytime; and a full range of support services.

Our Homebound Education Program includes:

Defining the program to serve your district's needs. We meet

with you to find out how your district currently is serving homebound students and then adapt our program to fit your needs. We work with you to identify a point of contactwhether your district has one guidance counselor handling all homebound enrollments, or has each student's school guidance counselor handle the homebound enrollment. We establish communication and reporting procedures that meet your district requirements to ensure a seamless transition to the new program.

Working with your guidance counselor to determine courses.

We work with your district counselor or school counselor to analyze each student's schedule and transcript to determine which curriculum and courses are the best fit, and set goals for the student while he or she is hospitalized or homebound.

Providing each student with an

advisor. Upon enrollment in the program, we assign each student a personal advisor who serves as the first point of contact for the student and family for the duration of the enrollment. The FuelEd advisor also keeps the district counselor and teaching staff updated on the student's situation.

Attending enrollment meeting to discuss homebound education and online placement. The FuelEd advisor and district guidance counselor meet with the family to discuss the placement, explain the online program, and answer initial questions the family or student may have. The advisor then schedules an individual online orientation session with the student.

Developing individualized learning and pacing plans for each student.

Each student entering the program has unique circumstances and reasons for being placed. The FuelEd advisor creates a personalized, realistic learning and pacing plan for each student to keep them on track while hospitalized or homebound. We strive to have students transition into the online program without repeating coursework they've already done, and then transition back to their regular school without being behind.

Monitoring grade books and making pacing plan adjustments as needed.

The FuelEd advisor communicates frequently with the student. If a student has a medical issue that affects schoolwork, the advisor notifies the teachers and modifies the pacing plan so the student can get back on target when able, and doesn't fall behind. The advisor also sends the district weekly progress reports for each student and submits grades at your regular reporting time.

Managing materials distribution and return. We handle shipment of all physical materials to the student's home and send prepaid labels to the family to return the materials when the student goes back to their brick-

and-mortar school.

"We've had an excellent experience working with the FuelEd Homebound Education Program. I was surprised, but working with the FuelEd staff has been much easier than managing our more traditional homebound education program. I recommend this option to all my homebound students who have Internet service, and FuelEd takes it from there. There are no timesheets, no chasing down assignments, no coordination of teachers and hours. At the end of each grading period, FuelEd sends me the grades and I forward them to the teachers. The feedback I've received from the parents and students who participated has all been very positive. I will most definitely continue to recommend the Fuel Education Homebound Education Program to students in the future."

Guidance counselor in Anderson5 District, SC



"I'm amazed with the education my daughter has received this school year. She never missed a lesson because the FuelEd Homebound Education Program gave her the flexibility to access her courses 24/7. The lessons were varied and provided many opportunities to learn the material based on the amount of instruction she needed for the subject. Her instructors were available by phone and e-mail, and even created recorded videos totally customized for her learning style. The teachers always offered to help through live online sessions, but my daughter prefers to watch the video and work at her own pace. The FuelEd advisor my daughter and I worked with was kind, knowledgeable, and dependable. She would check in with us often and always provided help whenever we needed her.

"The FuelEd Homebound Education Program truly has been life-changing. I've compared some of the work my daughter submitted when she started the program with her recent work and am amazed at just how much she has grown and learned. More importantly, the program has helped raise her self-expectations, and she now sees that despite her illness she can be productive. Your program has literally restored our hope for my daughter's future. I would definitely recommend this program for any student who is hospitalized or homebound."

Parent of an eleventh-grade student in Southbridge County, MA

How the FuelEd Homebound Education Program Works

- Each student is assigned a FuelEd advisor who meets the school or district guidance counselor to discuss course placement and determine the appropriate platform for the student based on length of time the student is expected to be in program and his or her course needs.
- The student and parents meet their FuelEd advisor at the initial enrollment meeting, and learn how the online education program works. The student also completes an introduction to online course.
- The advisor creates an Individualized Learning Plan and sets personal pacing goals for the student.
- All courses are taught by state-certified teachers. As in many brick-and-mortar schools, students in grades K-5 are assigned to a single online teacher who works with them in all subject areas. Students in grades
 6-12 work with teachers who are experts in each of their subject areas.
- Students complete lessons, assignments, and assessments through an online classroom, and when able, attend live online class sessions with other online students.
- Students have access to recordings of all online classes and workshops. If students are unable to attend a live online class, or if they want to review the material covered in a class, they can view the recordings at any time, as often as they would like.
- Students communicate with their teachers via live online office hours, threaded online discussions, and during live online class sessions.
- FuelEd advisors monitor students' work, inform teachers of any issues the students may have, and adjust pacing guides as needed.

Benefits of the FuelEd Homebound Education Program for Students

- Students stay engaged and continue to be part of a school community because they have many opportunities to interact with teachers and other students during online classes and virtual clubs.
- Each student has an Individualized Learning Plan and access to curriculum and online classes so he or she can review lessons and progress at his or her own pace.
- Students have the flexibility to work whenever they feel well—day or night.
- Students can do their schoolwork in the hospital, at home, or any place with Internet access.
- Continuous assessments identify areas where students are struggling and need additional help.
- Students have immediate access to teachers and advisors via chat, phone, or e-mail.

Benefits of the FuelEd Homebound Education Program for Schools and Districts

- Students stay on track so they have an easier transition back into their regular classroom and are less likely to need to repeat courses.
- Classes in all subject areas are led by state-certified teachers.
- We work hand-in-hand with your guidance counselors to select curriculum and set pacing.
- Our courses are aligned to state and national standards.
- We handle instruction, materials, assessments, and mentorship—all tailored to each student.

More than 100 districts today use the FuelEd Homebound Education Program as an engaging, cost-effective alternative to traditional programs.



"This is the fourth year in a row that my son has attempted to attend school, only to be disappointed when health issues made him unable to attend for more than a couple of months. In the past, the school provided a homebound teacher—who was excellent—but arranging meeting times was beyond impossible with the uncertainty of when my son's medical condition would flare up. Plus, I had to run back and forth to the school to pick up assignments and drop off completed work.

"Everything changed when my son's school introduced the FuelEd Homebound Education Program. His FuelEd advisor patiently instructed him on how to use the program and gave him the confidence to jump in and get started. The program provided the structure my son needed, while giving him the flexibility to work when he was at his best.

"I can't thank everyone involved enough for allowing my son this opportunity. This is the only way any homebound child should be instructed."

Parent of an eighth-grade student in Lacey Township, NJ

Fuel Education partners with schools and districts to fuel personalized learning and transform the education experience inside and outside the classroom.

We provide innovative solutions for pre-K through 12th grade that empower districts to implement and grow successful online and blended learning programs. Our open, easy-to-use Personalized Learning Platform simplifies administration and enables teachers to customize courses using their own content, FuelEd content, third-party partner content, as well as open educational resources. We offer the industry's largest catalog of flexible digital curriculum, certified instruction, professional development, and educational services tailored to district and student needs. FuelEd has helped more than 2,000 school districts to improve student outcomes, better serve diverse student populations, and expand educational opportunities by leveraging the new power of technology-enabled learning.

Find out how the FuelEd Homebound Education Program can help reduce your district's administrative and financial burdens while providing your students with a more rigorous and enjoyable learning experience!



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