

From: Tuesday, May 01, 2018 3:01 PM
To: Shawn Arnold <sarnold@arnoldlawfirmllc.com>
Subject: Fwd: MCA and Homeschool Sports Question

Hello Shawn,

What would your reply be to this?

Best regards,
David Hull, Principal
Mason Classical Academy

From: Shawn Arnold <sarnold@arnoldlawfirmllc.com>
Subject: RE: MCA and Homeschool Sports Question
Date: May 1, 2018 at 3:11:45 PM EDT
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This form says supports what I am saying:

V. Home Education Students –

These student must be registered with the Home Education Office of the school district (County) in which they reside. As per s. 1006.15(3)(c), Florida Statutes, these students are eligible to participate at:

- The public school the student would be assigned according to district school board attendance area policies (i.e. zoned school); or
- The public school, operated by the school district, the student could choose to attend according to the "Controlled Open Enrollment" provisions of the school district and provided the deadlines established in the provisions are met by the student (i.e. choice of school without needing a reason or waiver, provided a seat would be available);
or
- A Home Education Cooperative;
- or
- Any private school.

There has to be an open seat at the school. There isn't one. Moreover, they did not choose to attend your school during the open enrollment period, as I understand. Regardless, charter schools are not allowed to have more than their CO capacity as set forth in their charter contract for purposes of counts eligible athletes. It would be illegal for Mason to put this child in competition, period.

BTW . . . I am an expert in the law . . . that is why I have a certification!

It appears Sarah is nice and wants the best for her child. I get it. However, Mason would be fielding an illegal player. I cannot advise you to do that. I am certain the District would concur, as would FHSAA. Perhaps you can direct her to call them. Make sure she tells them that Mason is at its capacity and does not have an open seat.

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