282.34 Educational programs for children's residential facilities.

1. A children's residential facility operating under a certificate of approval issued under chapter 237C shall do all of the following:

a. Provide an educational program and appropriate education services to children residing in the children's residential facility by contracting with the school district in which the children's residential facility is located, contracting with an accredited nonpublic school, or becoming accredited as a nonpublic school through the standards and accreditation process described in section 256.11 and adopted by rule by the state board of education.

b. Display prominently in all of its major publications and on its internet site a notice accurately describing the educational program and educational services provided by the children's residential facility.

c. Include in any promotional, advertising, or marketing materials regarding the children's residential facility available in print, broadcast, or via the internet or by any other means all fees charged by the children's residential facility for the services offered or provided by the children's residential facility and its refund policy for the return of refundable portions of any fees. This paragraph shall not apply to sponsorship by a children's residential facility of public radio or public television broadcasts.

2. The state board of education shall adopt by rule pursuant to chapter 17A standards for the following:

a. Educational programs and appropriate educational services provided under this section.

b. Contracts between children's residential facilities and school districts or accredited nonpublic schools.

c. Notices displayed in accordance with subsection 1, paragraph "b".

3. The department of education shall comply with the requirements of section 237C.4, subsection 7, regarding standards, rules, and modifications, and the responsibilities set forth for publication, notification, and receipt and maintenance of information filed with the department.

4. A contract that fails to comply with any of the requirements of subsection 1, or with standards adopted by the state board of education under subsection 2, is void.

5. Rules adopted under this section shall not regulate religious education curricula at children's residential facilities.

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