

RELATIONSHIPS WITH PRIVATE SCHOOLS

According to state regulations, all private schools within the borders of the Town of Hadley must operate with the approval of the Hadley School Committee.

The criteria used to determine approval is left by regulation to the School Committee. As private schools are apt to be established on relatively short notice, a standard format used by the Hadley School Committee to approve a private school through their administration has been established.

Procedurally, the steps the for approving a private school include:

1. The Private School applies, in writing, for approval. The letter of application is sent to the Superintendent of Schools for the Hadley Public Schools.
2. The Private School is provided with the "Checklist for Approval of a Private School" to review.
3. The Private School notifies the Superintendent that all conditions for approval have been met.
4. The Superintendent or his/her designee visits the Private School and reviews the checklist.
5. Upon successful review by the Superintendent's Office, a recommendation for approval is presented to the School Committee.
6. The Private School is notified of the School Committee's decision.
7. All approved Private Schools shall be reviewed by the Superintendent's Office in August of each year. Failure to maintain the checklist standards shall result in a withdrawal of approval.

Adopted By The
Hadley School Committee: July 21, 2014