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It SHOULDN'T be a resident school district deciding whether a child can attend a virtual school or not. That's a parents choice, parents right! Many kids learn better, by attending a virtual school. I removed my son 2 yrs ago from public school and enrolled him in a virtual school as he was falling farther behind. He was reading at a kindergarten level and below at that time, and now he's in 3rd grade and reading at end of 2nd grade level. He has access to 1 on 1 meetings, emails or phone calls, with his teachers at any time he has a question, doesn't understand something or needs extra help. Children in public schools don't always get the learning help they need. Should never be a resident school districts choice where a child attends school. IT SHOULD ALWAYS BE A PARENTS CHOICE OF WHAT'S RIGHT FOR THE CHILD!! Virtual schools are just as good as a public school. MY OPINION IS VIRTUAL SCHOOL IS BETTER!!!!! YOU SHOULD REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT THAT A STUDENT MUST RECEIVE APPROVAL FROM A RESIDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT!!!