

Rationale and Replacement Plan for Waivers from State Statute and Rule

Basic Information

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Automatic Waivers: Statute Description and Rationale

C.R.S. §22-32-109(1)(n)(I) Board of Education- Specific Duties

School Calendar

C.R.S. §22-32-109(1)(n)(II)(B) Board of Education-Specific Duties

Adoption of District Calendar

Rationale: The Connect School will total approximately 153.5 days per year which exceeds the current requirement in state statute **22-33-104. Compulsory school attendance (1) (a) (I)**. The Connect School will prescribe the actual details of its own school calendar to best meet the needs of its students. The local board will not set these policies and The Connect School will have a calendar that differs from the rest of the schools within the district.

Replacement Plan: The final calendar and the school's daily schedule will be designed by The Connect School Administration and Board, and will meet or exceed the expectations in state statute.

Duration of the Waivers: The Connect School requests that the waivers be for the duration of its contract with Pueblo County School District #70. Therefore, the waiver is requested for five academic operating years, through August 3, 2023.

Financial Impact: The school anticipates that the requested waivers will have no financial impact on Pueblo County School District #70 or The Connect School.

How the Impact of the Waivers Will be Evaluated: The impact of these waivers will be measured by the performance appraisal criteria and assessments that apply to the school, as per this Charter School Agreement.

Expected Outcome: As a result of these waivers, the school will be able to implement the necessary policies to increase student achievement.

C.R.S. § 22-9-106 Local Board of Education-Duties-Performance Evaluation System C.R.S. § 22-2-112(1)(q)(I) Commissioner-Duties

These statutes allow a charter school to implement their own performance evaluations and not to have to report those evaluation ratings.

The Connect School uses the same evaluation as the state of Colorado and Pueblo County School District #70.