KIPP DELTA COLLEGE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
APPROVED WAIVERS

District LEA:	54-40-700	**Elementary School LEA:**	54-40-701
City:	Helena, Blytheville, Forrest City	**Middle School LEA:**	54-40-702
		High School LEA:	54-40-703
Opening Date:	Fall 2010	**Blytheville Middle LEA:**	54-40-705
		Blytheville High LEA:	54-40-706
		Forrest City LEA:	54-40-708
Grades Approved:	K-12	**Expiration Date:**	6/30/2023
CAP:	2,310	**Grades Served 2016-2017:**	K-12

Waivers from Title 6 of the Arkansas Code Annotated (Education Code)

6-10-106	School year dates
6-13-109	School superintendent
6-13-601 et seq.	District Boards of Directors Generally
6-13-619(a)(1)	Monthly board meetings
6-13-619(c)(1)(A)	Requiring a board member to be physically present at a meeting to be counted for purposes of a quorum or to vote
6-13-635	School board review and approval of salary increases
6-15-902(a)	Grading scale—Exemptions—Special education (in grades 3-8, the uniform grading scale is waived only as to non-core courses)
6-15-902(c)(2)	Requiring quality points for Advanced Placement courses be contingent upon teacher AP training documentation
6-15-1004	Qualified teachers in every public school classroom
6-15-1005(b)(5)	Pertaining to alternative learning environments
6-15-1603	Establishment of local task forces on closing the achievement gap
6-17-111	Duty-free lunch periods
6-17-114	Daily planning period
6-17-201(c)(2)	Pertaining to teacher compensation
6-17-203	Committees on personnel policies—Members
6-17-302	Principals—Responsibilities
6-17-309	Certification to teach grade or subject matter—Exceptions—Waivers
6-17-401	Teacher licensure requirement
6-17-418	Teacher licensure—Arkansas history requirement
6-17-427	Superintendent license—Superintendent mentoring program required
6-17-902	Definition (definition of a teacher as licensed)
6-17-919	Warrants void without valid certification and contract (the ability to pay a teacher's salary only upon filing of a teacher's certificate with the county clerk's office, if the requirement of a teacher's certificate is waived for such teacher)
6-17-1301 et seq.	School Employees' Minimum Sick Leave Law
6-17-1501 et seq.	Teacher Fair Dismissal Act
6-17-1701 et seq.	Public School Employee Fair Hearing Act
6-17-2203	Minimum salary
6-17-2205	Paid breaks for certain classified employees
6-17-2403	Minimum teacher compensation schedule
6-18-503(a)(1)(C)(i)	Pertaining to alternative learning environments
6-18-508	Alternative learning environments
6-18-1001 et seq.	Public School Student Services Act
6-20-2208(c)(6)	Monitoring of expenditures (gifted and talented)
6-25-103	Library media services program defined
6-25-104	Library media specialist—Qualifications
6-42-101 et seq.	General Provisions (gifted and talented)
6-48-101 et seq.	Alternative Learning Environments

Waivers from ADE Rules Governing Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and Districts

9.03	Grades 5-8
9.03.3.11	5-8 Arkansas history (to be incorporated into other courses)
10.01.2	185-day teacher/administrator contracts
10.02	Class Size and Teaching Load
10.02.4	Requiring an average student/teacher ratio for grades 4-6 of no more than 25 students per and no more than 28 students per teacher in any classroom
10.02.5	Requiring that teachers in Grades 7-12 not be assigned more than 150 students and classes should not exceed 30 students except for exceptional cases or courses that lend themselves to large group instruction
15	Personnel
15.01	School District Superintendent
15.02	Principals
15.03	Licensure and Renewal
16	Support Services
16.01.3	Requiring a certified counselor at each school at a ratio of 1 to 450
16.02	Media Services
18	Gifted and Talented Education
19.03	Pertaining to alternative learning environments

Waivers from Other Rules:

ADE Rules Governing Uniform Grading Scales for Public Secondary Schools and for Optional Use in Public Elementary Schools (applies only to non-core classes)

Certified staff salary schedule

Gifted and Talented Program Approval Standards

Teacher Education and Licensure

Waivers of Minimum Salaries of Certified Personnel

ADE Rules Governing Parental Notification of an Assignment of a Non-Licensed Teacher to Teach a Class for More than Thirty (30) Consecutive Days and for Granting Waivers

ADE Rules Governing School District Requirements for Personnel Policies, Salary Schedules, Minimum Salaries, and Documents Posted to District Websites (pertaining to salary schedules and personnel policies)

ADE Rules Governing the Superintendent Mentoring Program

Section 4 of the ADE Rules Governing the Distribution of Student Special Needs Funding and the Determination of Allowable Expenditures of those Funds (Pertaining to alternative learning environments)

Section 4 of the ADE Rules for Advanced Placement and International Baccalaureate Diploma Incentive Program

Section 4.03(c)(i) of the ADE Rules Governing Uniform Grading Scales for Public Secondary Schools and for Optional Use in Public Elementary Schools

Certain provisions of state law shall not be waived. The public charter school is subject to any prohibition, restriction, or requirement imposed by Title 6 of the Arkansas Code Annotated and any rule and regulation approved by the State Board of Education under this title relating to:

- Monitoring compliance with Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-23-101 et seq. as determined by the Commissioner of the Department of Education;
- Conducting criminal background checks for employees;
- High school graduation requirements as established by the State Board of Education;
- Special education programs as provided by this title;
- Public school accountability under this title;
- Ethical guidelines and prohibitions as established by Arkansas Code Annotated § 6-24-101 et seq., and any other controlling state or federal law regarding ethics or conflicts of interest; and
- Health and safety codes as established by the State Board of Education and local governmental entities.

Also, any teacher, whether licensed or unlicensed, who teaches a core academic subject area must meet the requirements of the ADE Rules Governing Arkansas Qualified Teacher Requirements. Core academic subjects include English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Early Childhood (Elementary), Music, Art and Foreign Language.