

**QUEST MIDDLE SCHOOL OF PINE BLUFF
APPROVED WAIVERS**

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| District LEA: | 35-42-700 | Elementary School LEA: | N/A |
| City: | Pine Bluff | Middle School LEA: | 35-42-702 |
| Opening Date: | Fall 2013 | High School LEA: | N/A |
| Grades Approved: | 5-12 | Expiration Date: | 6/30/2018 |
| CAP: | 460 | Grades Served 2016-2017: | 5-10 |

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

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| 6-10-106 | School year dates |
| 6-13-109 | School superintendent |
| 6-13-601 et seq. | District Boards of Directors Generally |
| 6-13-619 | Monthly meetings |
| 6-13-1303 | Implementation policies |
| 6-13-1401 et seq. | District Formation, Consolidation, and Annexation |
| 6-14-101 et seq. | School Elections |
| 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) |
| 6-15-1004 | Qualified teachers in every public school classroom |
| 6-15-1005(b)(5) | Pertaining to alternative learning environments |
| 6-15-2302 | General business manager—Responsibilities—Minimum qualifications |
| 6-16-102 | School day hours |
| 6-16-105 | United States flag |
| 6-16-106 | Arkansas state flag |
| 6-17-111 | Duty-free lunch periods |
| 6-17-114 | Daily planning period |
| 6-17-117 | Noninstructional duties |
| 6-17-201 et seq. | Requirements—Written personnel policies—Teacher salary schedule |
| 6-17-203 | Committees on personnel policies—Members |
| 6-17-211 | Use of personal leave when administrator or school employee is absent from campus |
| 6-17-301 | Employment of certified personnel |
| 6-17-302 | Principals—Responsibilities |
| 6-17-309 | Certification to teach grade or subject matter—Exceptions—Waivers |
| 6-17-401 et seq. | Certification Generally |
| 6-17-427 | Superintendent license—Superintendent mentoring program required |
| 6-17-802 | Yearly contracts—Agriculture teacher |
| 6-17-902 | Definition (definition of a teacher as licensed) |
| 6-17-908 | Teachers' salary fund—Authorized disbursements |
| 6-17-919 | Warrants void without valid certification and contract |
| 6-17-1201 et seq. | Teachers' Minimum Sick Leave Law |
| 6-17-1301 et seq. | School Employees' Minimum Sick Leave Law |
| 6-17-1302 | Definitions (as teachers are excluded from the definition of school employee) |
| 6-17-1501 et seq. | Teacher Fair Dismissal Act |
| 6-17-1701 et seq. | Public School Employee Fair Hearing Act |
| 6-17-2201 et seq. | Classified School Employee Minimum Salary Act |

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| 6-17-2301 et seq. | Classified School Employee Personnel Policy Law |
| 6-17-2401 et seq. | Teacher Compensation Program of 2003 |
| 6-18-503(a)(1)(C)(i) | Pertaining to alternative learning environments |
| 6-18-706 | School nurses—Nurse-to-student ratio |
| 6-18-1001 et seq. | Public School Student Services Act |
| Chapter 19 | Transportation |
| 6-20-2208(c)(6) | Monitoring of expenditures (gifted and talented) |
| 6-21-117 | Leased academic facilities |
| 6-21-303 | Rules (the requirement to reimburse teachers for personal expenditures for classroom supplies) |
| 6-25-101 et seq. | Public School Library and Media Technology Act |
| 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

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| 10.02 | Class Size and Teaching Load |
| 14.03 | Unit of credit and clock hours for a unit of credit |
| 15.01 | School District Superintendent |
| 15.02 | Principals |
| 15.03 | Licensure and Renewal |
| 16 | Support Services |
| 16.01 | Guidance and Counseling |
| 18 | Gifted and Talented Education |
| 19.03 | Pertaining to alternative learning environments |
| 19.04 | Requirement to provide summer school and adult education programs |
| 21 | Auxiliary Services |

Waivers from Other Rules:

ADE Rules Governing Waivers for Substitute Teachers
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 the Superintendent Mentoring Program
ADE Rules Governing Minimum Qualifications for General Business Managers
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)
ADE Rules Governing Public School Student Services
ADE Rules for Gifted and Talented Program Approval Standards
ADE Rules Governing Educator Licensure
ADE Rules Governing School Board Zones and Rezoning
ADE Rules Governing School Election Expense Reimbursement
Sections 4-8 of ADE Rules Governing Personnel Policies, Salary Schedules, and Documents Posted to District Websites

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.