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APPROVED WAIVERS**

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| District LEA: | 60-52-700 | Elementary School LEA: | N/A |
| City: | Little Rock | Middle School LEA: | N/A |
| Opening Date: | Fall 2011 | High School LEA: | 60-52-703 |
| Grades Approved: | 9-12 | Expiration Date: | 6/30/2019 |
| CAP: | 275 | Grades Served 2016-2017: | 9-12 |

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

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| 6-10-106 | School year dates |
| 6-11-129 | Data to be accessible on website |
| 6-13-109 | School superintendent |
| 6-13-608 | Length of directors' terms |
| 6-13-611 | Vacancies generally |
| 6-13-615 | Election—Single member zones |
| 6-13-616 | Director eligibility |
| 6-13-619(c) and (d) | Monthly meetings |
| 6-13-620 | Powers and duties |
| 6-13-621 | Authority to convey section lands |
| 6-13-628 | Purchases in small communities without bids |
| 6-13-630 | Election by zone and at large |
| 6-13-631 | Effect of minority population on election |
| 6-13-632 | Adequate meeting facilities required |
| 6-13-634 | School district board of directors—Size |
| 6-13-635 | School board review and approval of salary increases |
| 6-14-101 et seq. | School Elections |
| 6-15-1004 | Qualified teachers in every public school classroom |
| 6-15-2302 | General business manager—Responsibilities—Minimum qualifications |
| 6-16-102 | School day hours |
| 6-16-124 | Arkansas history (to be incorporated into other social studies curriculum) |
| 6-17-111 | Duty-free lunch periods |
| 6-17-114 | Daily planning period |
| 6-17-203 | Committees on personnel policies—Members |
| 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 | Teacher licensure requirement |
| 6-17-418 | Teacher licensure—Arkansas history requirement |
| 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 |
| 6-17-1501 et seq. | Teacher Fair Dismissal Act |
| 6-17-1701 et seq. | Public School Employee Fair Hearing Act |
| 6-17-2403 | Minimum teacher compensation schedule |

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| 6-18-213(f) | Policy of dropping a student who is absent from daily attendance for more than 10 consecutive school days, except as allowed by rule, from attendance records of the school |
| 6-18-1001 et seq. | Public School Student Services Act |
| 6-20-2208(c)(6) | Monitoring of expenditures (gifted and talented) |
| 6-25-101 et seq. | Public School Library and Media Technology Act |
| 6-42-101 et seq. | General Provisions (gifted and talented) |

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

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| 9.03.1.2 | The Smart Core curriculum contained within 38 units that must be taught each year |
| 9.03.4 | Grades 9-12 (courses to be taught, requiring the 38 units of credit) |
| 9.03.4.11 | AP Courses |
| 10.01.3 | At least 10 days or 60 hours shall be used for professional development and in-service training and at least two (2) days shall be used for parent/teacher conferences |
| 14.03 | Unit of credit and clock hours for a unit of credit |
| 15 | Personnel |
| 16.01.3 | Requiring a certified counselor at each school at a ratio of 1 to 450 |
| 16.02 | Media Services |
| 16.03.3 | Student health records |
| 18 | Gifted and Talented Education |

Waivers from Other Rules:

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 Mandatory Attendance Requirements for Students in Grades Nine through Twelve

ADE Rules Governing Nutrition and Physical Activity Standards and Body Mass Index for Age Assessment Protocols in Arkansas Public Schools (those portions of the standards involving Ark. Code Ann. § 6-16-132)

Final ADE Rules and Regulations Four-day School Weeks

Certified staff salary schedule

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.