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Washington State Board of Education Meeting Dates and Locations for 2019-2020

Dates for 2019	Dates for 2020
January 9-10 Olympia	January 8-9 Olympia
March 13-14 Tacoma	March 11-12 Bellingham
May 8-9 Wenatchee	May 13-14 Pasco
July 10-11 Spokane	July 8-9 Spokane
September 10-12 Pullman	September 9-11 Anacortes
November 6-7 Vancouver	November 4-5 Vancouver

All two-day meetings are proposed for Wednesday-Thursday dates. The September 2019 retreat/meeting is Tuesday-Thursday dates. The September 2020 retreat/meeting is Wednesday-Friday dates due to the Labor Day holiday.



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2016	2017	2018
January 13-14 Olympia	January 11-12 Olympia	January 10-11 Olympia
March 9-10 Renton	March 8-9 Gig Harbor	March 7-8 Mount Vernon
May 11-12 Yakima	May 10-11 Walla Walla	May 9-10 Yakima
July 13-14 Spokane	July 12-13 Spokane	July 11-12 Spokane
September 13-15 Everett Stevenson	September 12-14 Anacortes	September 11-13 Richland
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Three-day retreat/meetings are Tuesday-Thursday dates.



APPLICATION Temporary Waiver from High School Graduation Requirements Under Chapter 217, Laws of 2014

Instructions

RCW 28A.230.090(1)(d)(ii) authorizes school districts to apply to the State Board of Education (SBE) for a temporary waiver from the career and college ready graduation requirements directed by Chapter 217, Laws of 2014 (E2SSB 6552) beginning with the graduating class of 2020 or 2021 instead of the graduating class of 2019. This law further provides:

“In the application, a school district must describe why the waiver is being requested, the specific impediments preventing timely implementation, and efforts that will be taken to achieve implementation with the graduating class proposed under the waiver. The state board of education shall grant a waiver under this subsection (1)(d) to an applying school district at the next subsequent meeting of the board after receiving an application.”

The SBE has adopted rules to implement this provision as WAC 180-51-068(11). The rules provide that the SBE must post an application form on its public web site for use by school districts. The rules further provide:

- The application must be accompanied by a resolution adopted by the district’s board of directors requesting the waiver. The resolution must, at a minimum:
 1. State the entering freshman class or classes for whom the waiver is requested;
 2. Be signed by the chair or president of the board of directors and the superintendent.
- A district implementing a waiver granted by the SBE under this law will continue to be subject to the prior high school graduation requirements as specified in WAC 180-51-067 during the school year or years for which the waiver has been granted.
- A district granted a waiver under this law that elects to implement the career and college ready graduation requirements in WAC 180-51-068 during the period for which the waiver is granted shall provide notification of that decision to the SBE.

Please send the application and school board resolution electronically to:

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ENTIAT SCHOOL DISTRICT #127
CHELAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2015/2016

TEMPORARY WAIVER OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
CORE 24 (WAC 180-51-068)

WHEREAS, RCW 28A.230.090(1)(d)(ii) authorizes school districts to apply to the State Board of Education (SBE) for a temporary waiver from the career and college ready graduation requirements directed by Chapter 217, Laws of 2014 (E2SSB 6552), allowing the District to meet the requirements beginning with the graduating class of 2021 instead of the graduating class of 2019; and

WHEREAS, the school board has the final authority to set the policies of the district to ensure quality in the content and extent of the district's educational program; and

WHEREAS, the increase in the number of credits required by the State of Washington to graduate from high school to 24 (twenty-four) will require a substantial amount of study and planning to implement effectively, especially in the subject area of Science; and

WHEREAS, the District currently requires 25 (twenty-five) credits to graduate from high school; and

WHEREAS, the SBE has developed an application process pursuant to WAC 180-51-068 to allow the District to request a two-year waiver to delay implementation of the credit requirements; and

WHEREAS, WAC 180-51-068 requires that the application be accompanied by a resolution adopted by the school district board of directors;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of the Entiat School District authorizes the district administration to request a two-year waiver of the credit requirements of WAC 180-51-068 to allow for sufficient time to effectively implement the requirements.

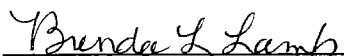
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that execution of this Resolution is conclusive evidence of the Board's approval of this action and of the authority granted herein.

DATED this 15th day of October, 2015 at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Entiat School District No. 127, Chelan County, Washington, as witnessed by our signatures.

ATTEST: Board of Directors



Garci Duncan, Board Chairperson



Brenda Lamb, Board Vice-Chairperson




Audrey Diksen, Board Director



Alberto Quezada, Board Director



Jim Smothers, Board Director

ATTEST: 

Ismael Vivanco, Superintendent
Secretary to the Board of Directors

Application

Please complete in full. Please identify any attachments provided by reference to the numbered items below.

1. Name of district

Entiat School District

2. Contact information

Name and title Ismael Vivanco

Telephone 509.784.1800

E-mail address ivivanco@entiatschools.org

3. Date of application. Tuesday, October 20, 2015

4. Please explain why the district is requesting a waiver to delay implementation of career and college ready graduation requirements in WAC 180-51-068.

The increase in the number of credits required by the State of Washington to graduate from high school to 24 (twenty-four) will require a substantial amount of study and planning to implement effectively, especially in the subject area of Science.

5. Please describe the specific impediments preventing implementation of the career and college ready graduation requirements beginning with the graduating class of 2019.

One of the specific impediments is in the area of science. We have limited staffing and facilities at this time to accommodate this requirement.

6. Please indicate below the graduating class for which the district will first implement the career and college ready graduation requirements.

_____ Class of 2020

___X___ Class of 2021

7. Please describe the efforts that will be undertaken to achieve implementation of the career and college ready graduation requirements for the graduating class indicated above.

We plan to explore science offerings that will not require more laboratory space. Additionally, we will focus on finding personnel qualified to teach those subjects.

Final step

Please attach the district resolution required by WAC 180-51-068, signed and dated by the chair or president of the board of directors and the district superintendent.

WASHOUGAL SCHOOL DISTRICT 112-6
RESOLUTION NO. 2015-16-02
High School Graduation Waiver

WHEREAS, the Revised Code of Washington 28A.230.090 established the authority to determine high school graduation requirement or equivalencies, and;

WHEREAS, the Washington State Board of Education has the authority to grant a waiver to implement the career and college ready graduation requirement proposal beginning with the graduating class of 2020 or 2021 instead of the class of 2019, and;

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the Washougal School District students to seek a waiver, and;

WHEREAS, the waiver will enable us to build capacity to implement increased graduation requirements and additional systems of support to:

1. Explore options for changes in the high school instructional day to allow students more flexibility;
2. Develop and initiate a comprehensive communication plan for students, parents, staff, and community members of the class of 2021 and beyond;
3. Implement a professional development plan for counselors and teaching staff at both the high school and middle school to deepen the understanding of potential pathways and the high school and beyond plan; and
4. Create additional academic supports for struggling students and avenues for credit retrieval.


WHEREAS, this waiver will apply to the entering freshman classes of 2015, the graduating class of 2019, and;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Washougal School District is seeking to implement the career and college ready graduation requirement proposal beginning with the graduating class of 2021 instead of the graduating class of 2019.


ADOPTED by the Board of Directors of Washougal School District No. 112-6 Clark County, Washington, at a meeting held this sixth day of October 2015.



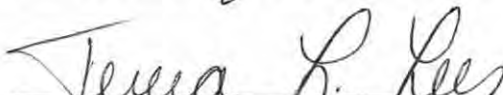
Ron Dinius, President



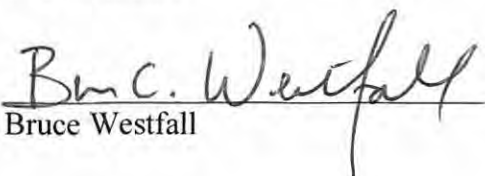
Elaine Pfeifer, Vice-President



Karen Rubino



Teresa Lees



Bruce Westfall



Mike Stromme, Board Secretary



APPLICATION
Temporary Waiver from High School Graduation Requirements
Under Chapter 217, Laws of 2014

1. Name of district: Washougal School District

2. Contact information
Name and title: Mike Stromme, Superintendent
Telephone: 360-954-3016
E-mail address: mike.stromme@washougalisd.org

3. Date of application: 10/06/2015

4. Please explain why the district is requesting a waiver to delay implementation of career and college ready graduation requirements in WAC 180-51-068.

We are requesting a waiver to delay the implementation of the graduation requirements to give us the time needed to implement the new graduation requirements without adversely impacting our students. The Washougal School District has been involved in increasing our On Time Graduation rate for several years. We need time to continue this effort and develop the capacity within our systems to implement increased graduation requirements. This waiver will allow us to develop additional supports to prepare students, teachers, support staff and families to achieve a 24-credit diploma. These systems and supports include communications, counseling, transition from middle to high school and our newly revised High School and Beyond Plan.

5. Please describe the specific impediments preventing implementation of the career and college ready graduation requirements beginning with the graduating class of 2019.
 - Our current master schedule does not allow flexibility. We would like time to research and explore flexible scheduling options.
 - Current course offerings limit equivalency opportunities.
 - Currently limited options in the areas of online learning and credit retrieval.
 - Our six-period day severely limits the opportunities for students to explore a variety of courses to determine their career interests.
 - We would like additional time to strengthen the High School and Beyond Plan starting at the middle school level to ensure a successful transition to high school.

6. Please indicate below the graduating class for which the district will first implement the career and college ready graduation requirements.

Class of 2020

Class of 2021

7. Please describe the efforts that will be undertaken to achieve implementation of the career and college ready graduation requirements for the graduating class indicated above.
- Review of current courses to determine additional course offerings and equivalency options that need to be created to assist in increasing credit accrual rates consistent with our district goals.
 - Explore options for changes in the high school instructional day district-wide to allow students more flexibility.
 - Develop and initiate a comprehensive communication plan for students, parents, staff, and community members for the class of 2021 and beyond.
 - Develop and implement a professional development plan for counselors and teaching staff to deepen their understanding of potential pathways and the high school and beyond requirement. Our plan will include middle school staff.
 - Continue efforts on early identification of students who are struggling. Provide appropriate supports for academic success and credit retrieval.
 - We are in the process of implementing one-to-one student devices and would like to explore the opportunities available for credit retrieval and credit attainment through this technology initiative.

Final step

Please attach the district resolution required by WAC 180-51-068, signed and dated by the chair or president of the board of directors and the district superintendent.

**Naches Valley School District No. JT3
Resolution No. 13-2014-2015**

Temporary Waiver from High School Graduation Requirements

A **RESOLUTION** of the Board of Directors of Naches Valley Public Schools, District No. 3, Yakima County, Washington, to pursue a two-year waiver from implementing the requirements of WAC 180-51-068.

WHEREAS, the School Board has the final authority to set the policies of the district to ensure quality in the content and extent of the district's education program; and

WHEREAS, the increase in the number of credits required by the State of Washington to graduate from high school to 24 will require a substantial amount of study and planning to implement effectively; and

WHEREAS, the district currently requires 23 credits to graduate from high school; and

WHEREAS, the Washington Board of Education has developed an application process pursuant to WAC 180-51-068 to allow the district to request a two-year waiver to delay implementation of the credit requirements; and

WHEREAS, WAC 180-51-068 requires that the application be accompanied by a resolution adopted by the district Board of Directors.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Directors of Naches Valley Public Schools, District No. 3, Yakima County, Washington, authorizes the district to request a two-year waiver of the credit requirements of WAC 180-51-068 to allow for sufficient time to effectively implement the requirements; and

ALSO BE IT RESOLVED that duly certified copies of this resolution shall be presented to district staff assigned to prepare the waiver application as well as the Washington Board of Education, as an attachment to the waiver request.

Dated this 28th day of May, 2015, at a regular meeting of the Board of Directors, Naches Valley District No. JT3.

Attest:




Duane Lyons, Secretary of the Board


**Board of Directors
Naches Valley School District No. Jt. 3**




George Pickard, Chair



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Application

Please complete in full. Please identify any attachments provided by reference to the numbered items below.

1. **Name of district:** Naches Valley School District

2. **Contact Information**

Name and Title: Duane Lyons, Superintendent of Schools

Telephone: (509)653-1800

E-mail address: dlyons@nvsvd.org

3. **Date of application:** May 26, 2015

4. **Please explain why the district is requesting a waiver to delay implementation of career and college ready graduation requirements in WAC 180-51-068.**

A) Teaching and Learning Implications: We need additional time to plan for additional credits in Science, Fine Arts and World Languages. We need to expand our credit equivalencies as well as plan for some accelerated opportunities at our middle school.

B) Increased Need for Student Support to Meet On-time Graduation: Currently, Naches Valley High School requires students to attain 23 credits for graduation. The 24 credit framework allows no flexibility to meet the on-time graduation target. We will need to provide additional counseling and academic support to insure that students achieve academically within this new framework.

C) Staffing, Facility and Budget Implications: We need to look at our current capacity and future needs for implementation.

D) Communication Implications: We need to develop a clear communication plan for our families. We need to also make clear the "Personalized Pathway Requirement".

5. **Please describe the specific impediments preventing implementation of the career and college ready graduation requirements beginning with the graduating class of 2019.**

We will need to increase our Science, Fine Arts and World Language course offerings. The increase in these areas will have an impact on curriculum, schedules, staffing, facilities and budget.

We need to fully examine our Student Support services. We need to increase counseling staff and intervention strategies.

We need to develop a clear and simple communication plan for all stakeholders.

6. Please indicate below the graduating class for which the district will first implement the career and college ready graduation requirements.

_____ Class of 2020

 X Class of 2021

7. Please describe the efforts that will be undertaken to achieve implementation of the career and college ready graduation requirements for the graduating class indicated above.

Naches Valley School District will:

- Study to determine staffing, facility and curricular changes
- Allocate resources to support those changes
- Develop course equivalencies
- Establish comprehensive counseling programs
- Develop a clear communication plan

Final Step

Please attach the district resolution required by WAC 180-51-068, signed and dated by the chair or president of the board of directors and the district superintendent.