RELATIONS WITH STATE EDUCATION AGENCIES

It shall be the policy of the District to cooperate with the state educational agencies in the attainment of educational goals and objectives.

Waiver from The New Mexico Administrative Code

A waiver from specific administrative rules may be requested, in accord with 22-2-2.1 and 22-5-14, by submitting such request to the Secretary of Education for approval. Such requests from the Board may include:

- The graduation requirement as provided in Section 22-2-8.4 NMSA 1978 [recompiled];
- Evaluation standards for school personnel; and
- Other requirements of the Public School Code [Chapter 22 NMSA 1978] that impede innovation in education if the waiver request is supported by the teachers at the requesting school and the requesting school's local school board.

Waivers granted pursuant to 22-2-2.1 shall begin in the school year following that in which a public school exceeds educational standards and may remain in effect as long as the school continues to exceed educational standards.

The Secretary shall only waive requirements that do not conflict with the federal No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 or rules adopted pursuant to that act.

The superintendent may apply to the Secretary for a waiver of the following provisions of the Public School Code:

- The length of the school day.
- Staffing patterns.
- Subject areas.
- The purchase of instructional materials for the purpose of implementing a collaborative school improvement program for an individual public school.
- <u>The number of absences for participation in any state or national competition that is not an</u> <u>interscholastic extracurricular activity</u>.

Adopted: date of manual adoption

LEGAL REF.: 22-2-2.1 NMSA (1978) 22-5-14 NMSA (1978) <u>22-12A-10 NMSA (1978)</u> 6.29.1.10 NMAC

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