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Cross Roads Board of Trustees:

The Site Based Decision Making Committee recommended that we apply for several state waivers for the 2015-2016 school year. These waivers include Staff Development (2 days), Early Release (6 days), Modified Schedule State Assessment Testing Days, Timeline for Accelerated Instruction, and Teacher Data Portal of the Texas Assessment Management System.

The State Staff Development waiver is requested for early release for 2 staff development days. The staff development days will be used for teacher training to continue to improve our student performance.

The 6 Early Release days will also be used to improve teaching through disaggregation of testing data and training for state assessments and curriculum.

The Modified Schedule State Testing days will allow seniors to report later to avoid interruptions.

The Timeline for Accelerated Instruction will allow for accelerated instruction and for early intervention of at-risk students.

The Teacher Data Portal of the Texas Assessment Management System to assure the district's local data portal meets statutory requirements.

Please consider approving these waivers at the June 18, 2015 board meeting so we can request a waiver from TEA.

Sincerely,

Cathy Sulak
SBDM Chairman