

**Caddo Academy Charter
2021 District Conversion Application**

General Legal Concerns

1. Confirm you are aware that you will be required to meet the Standards in this school alone.
2. Do you need a waiver of 1-A.2?
3. Will the school have its own principal? If no, you will need additional waivers. Same question with the school nurse and the library media specialist.

1. Instructional Day

**Ark. Code Ann. § 6-16-102 except (a)(5)
and (b) 6-16-102**

Standard 1-A.4.2

Legal Comments: To confirm, are you asking for waivers of the entirety of 6-16-102 other than subsections (a)(5) and (b)?

2. Food Service

**Ark. Code Ann. § 6-18-705
Standard 8.02.43-D.1**

Legal Comments: If you intend to waive food service, you will need additional waivers under the DESE Rules Governing Nutrition and Physical Activity. If you move forward with these waivers, you will be disqualified from receiving Child Nutrition Funding. It is unclear why the waiver is necessary as the response to Question 18 states that food services will be provided. Additional rationale, including rationale for waiver of the breakfast program, will be necessary if moving forward with this request. There may be additional issues with providing food alternatives. Are you asking for a waiver of Standard 3-D.1?

3. Teacher Licensure

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-15-1004

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-401

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-902

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-909

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-309

Ark. Code Ann. § 6-17-802

Section 7 of DESE Rules Governing Teacher Licensure

Standard 4-D.1

Legal Comments: Have you discussed this model with the DESE Licensure Unit? There are licensure pathways for industry professionals to obtain licensure or obtain a CTE certificate. Please confirm you are aware that all special education teachers must have full licensure.