

# Texas Education Agency

## State Waivers Unit

### Application for Expedited and General State Waivers

#### Instructions

Mail or fax application to:

Texas Education Agency  
State Waiver Unit  
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#### Textbook Waivers

A complete list of subjects eligible for waivers and the maximum costs allowed may be viewed at: <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/textbooks/waivers/subjectsnobids.pdf>

#### Timeline for Accelerated Instruction Waiver

The waiver is subject to the conditions listed in the attached guidelines: <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index2.aspx?id=7085#Timeline>

#### Teacher Data Portal of the Texas Assessment Management System Waiver

The waiver is subject to the conditions provided in the attached guidelines: <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/index2.aspx?id=7085#Portal>

#### Foreign Exchange Student Waiver

The waiver is subject to the provisions in the attached guidelines and FAQ:

Guidelines: <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=2147500401>

FAQ: <http://www.tea.state.tx.us/WorkArea/DownloadAsset.aspx?id=2147500402>

#### Waiver Information

District name: Denton Independent School District		District/Campus #: 061/901	Phone: 940-369-0031	Fax: 940-369-4983
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Ray Braswell

Printed Name

Signature

Board President:  Dr.  Mr.  Mrs.  Ms.

Mia Price

Printed Name

Signature

Date of board approval:

Board vote: for- against- abstain- absent-

Comments from appropriate State-based Decision Making Committee:

Cornelius Q. Anderson

Committee Chairperson (print)



Committee Chairperson Signature

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#### Expedited Waivers

**Staff Development Waiver**

Pursuant to Texas Education Code (TEC) §25.081, this waiver allows the district or charter school to train staff on various educational strategies designed to improve student performance in lieu of a maximum of three days of student instruction.

Number of days requested:

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

**Reading/English Language Arts; Mathematics; Science; and/or Social Studies Staff Development Waiver**

Pursuant to TEC §25.081, this waiver allows the district or charter school to conduct additional staff training for reading/English language arts, mathematics, science, or social studies strategies aligned with the Texas Essential Knowledge and Skills in lieu of a maximum of two days of student instruction.

Reading/English Language Arts     Mathematics     Science     Social Studies

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

**Staff Development through Participation in Eligible Conferences Waiver**

Pursuant to TEC §25.081, this waiver allows the district or charter school to send staff to eligible conferences for staff development to improve student performance in lieu of one day of student instruction.

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

**Early Release Waiver**

Pursuant to TEC §25.082(a), this waiver allows the district or charter school to conduct school for less than seven (7) hours for a total of six (6) days of student instruction to provide additional training in educational methodologies and/or to provide time to meet the needs of students and local communities.

Number of days requested:

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

**Modified Schedule State Assessment Testing Days Waiver**

Pursuant to TEC §25.082(a), this waiver allows the district or charter school to modify the schedule of classes on State Assessment testing days during the current school year to reduce interruptions during testing period.

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

**Timeline for Accelerated Instruction Waiver**

Pursuant to §28.0211(a) and (a-2), this waiver allows districts and charter schools to adjust the timeline for providing the accelerated instruction required for placement in/promotion to the next grade. This waiver is limited to students who fail the third administration of the grade 5 or 8 TAKS reading and/or mathematics test. (Please see instruction section)

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

**Teacher Data Portal of the Texas Assessment Management System Waiver**

Pursuant to §32.258, this waiver allows school districts and charter schools to apply for a waiver of participation in the teacher portal component of the Texas Assessment Management System. A waiver is granted if a district can provide assurance that the local teacher data portal meets the statutory requirements outlined in TEC 32.258. (Please see instruction section)

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#### Textbook Waivers

Pursuant to TEC §7.056, this waiver allows school districts and open enrollment charter schools the opportunity to purchase instructional materials and obtain reimbursement up to the state maximum cost called for in a proclamation, for which no textbook was offered for consideration by publishers. (Please see instruction section)

#### Proclamations 1998, 1999 and 2000: Photojournalism, Astronomy; AP Environmental Science; IB Environmental Systems; and AP Human Geography

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

#### Proclamations 2001 and 2002: Business Education; Technology Education/Industrial Technology Education; Trade and Industrial Education; Languages Other Than English; and Fine Arts

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

#### Proclamation 2004: IB Mathematical Studies Subsidiary Level; IB Mathematical Methods Subsidiary Level; IB Mathematical Higher Level; and IB Advanced Mathematics Subsidiary Level

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

#### Proclamation 2010: Spanish Literature, Grade 6; IB Language Studies Standard Level; and IB Language Studies Higher Level

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

#### Foreign Exchange Student Waiver

Pursuant to TEC §25.001(e), this expedited waiver allows the district to limit the number of foreign exchange students to a number that is not less than five per high school. An application to limit the number to less than five per high school must be submitted as a general waiver. (Please see instruction section)

create a financial or staffing hardship for the district;

diminish the district's ability to provide high quality educational services for the district's domestic students; or

require domestic students to compete with foreign exchange students for educational resources.

Number of students requested (per high school): 5

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

### General Waivers

#### Questions 1 - 7 on page 5 are REQUIRED for all General Waivers

Course requirement

Course requirement (CTE)

Pregnancy related services on-campus (CEHI)

Electronic course program

For foreign exchange student waiver, description must address the circumstances applicable to the district under TEC § Section 25.001(e) (1), (2), or (3). Please submit local policy with application. (Please see instruction section)

Other (please specify): \_\_\_\_\_

#### Disciplinary Alternative Education Programs

Pursuant to TEC 37.008(g), this waiver allows the district to use more than 18% of the district's SCE allotment to provide supplemental services for disciplinary alternative education programs established under Section 37.008. The school district is required to state the reason for needing to exceed the 18% limit and to report the number of students in each grade level, by demographic subgroup, not making satisfactory progress under the state's assessment system. (Please see instruction section)

Percentage of district SCE allotment: \_\_\_\_\_

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1. Give a brief narrative description of the requested waiver.

2. Does the district or campus plan reflect the need for this waiver? If yes, what is the specific objective impacted by the waiver?

3. Cite the Texas Education Code or the Texas Administration Code that the district or campus wishes to waive?

4. Describe the plan to be implemented, if the waiver is granted.

5. How will granting this waiver help achieve the district's or campus' objective?

6. Please explain how the school district or campus will evaluate the impact of the waiver towards meeting the district's or campus' goal.

7. Please specify the school years for which the waiver is requested, to a maximum of three years.

Requested years:  2011 - 2012     2012 - 2013     2013 - 2014

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