



Division of Elementary and Secondary Education

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**State Board of
Education**

RE: Charter Amendment Request

Dr. Sarah Moore
Stuttgart
Chair

Dear Dr. Reynolds:

Kathy Rollins
Springdale
Vice-Chair

I received your letter dated July 24, 2023, requesting a waiver of section 4.02.4 of the Division of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) Rules Governing Public Charter Schools. You requested this waiver so that the Charter Authorizing Panel may hear North Little Rock Center of Excellence's request for the amendment of its charter to seek a waiver of Ark. Code Ann. § 6-16-213(a)(2), during the Panel's August meeting. Pursuant to my authority under Section 4.02.6 of the above rules, I grant North Little Rock School District – Center of Excellence a waiver of section 4.02.4.

Steve Sutton
Marion

Adrienne Woods
Rogers

Sincerely,

Randy Henderson
Blytheville

Jacob Oliva
Commissioner of Education

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White Hall

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