

6.05.3 If the district is requesting an extension of teacher licensure waivers, the district must also provide the following information:

Background:

Clarendon School District has critical difficulties hiring teachers. We are in an area of the Delta that is primarily a farming community. Every year I seek certified, licensed teachers for our district. It has been very difficult to secure teachers due to our locale. This year we needed 4 elementary teachers and 1 high school teacher. CSD hired 2 certified teachers that we were able to secure after posting the positions. We are in the process of hiring 2 teachers that we hope will be accepted into the APPEL program. Due to the waiver extension request we could not secure the two college graduates until they are accepted in APPEL and we may lose these candidates. With the waiver extension we could go ahead and get them under a contract until they are accepted in APPEL. The APPEL licensure process takes a bit of time to secure. We have interviews scheduled for the high school position July 9th.

6.05.3.1 The number of positions filled by a teacher employed under the waiver;

Waiver Teachers needed during 2019-2020

8 waiver teachers needed/3 resigned at the end of the year due to difficulties with PRAXIS testing.

Waiver Teachers needed during 2020-2021

7 waiver teachers needed/All were accepted into year 1 APPEL/All the teachers but 1 passed the test and entered year 2 APPEL.

6.05.3.2 The number of teachers employed under the waiver that have obtained licensure; and

At this time none of our teachers under the waiver have achieved licensure. They are in the APPEL program and working toward this achievement.

6.04.3.3 The number of teachers employed under the waiver that are actively engaged in a licensure pathway program.

At this time 6 of our teachers that began as a waiver teacher are in year 2 of the APPEL program and should complete certification by June 2022.

Extra Information:

One of our teachers just needed to pass the PRAXIS and achieved this during the 20-21 school year.

One provisionally licensed teacher completed the requirements for a standard license.