

Subject: Re: Riverside Act 1240 Waivers Clarification
Date: Wednesday, June 2, 2021 at 2:00:11 PM Central Daylight Time
From: Jeff Priest
To: Melissa Matus (ADE)
CC: Deborah Coffman (ADE), Ginny Stroud (ADE), Mary Claire Hyatt (ADE), Tally Harp, Traci Holland (ADE)
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Mrs. Matus,

Thank you for reaching out to me. I understand that you spoke with Mr. Ziegler who is the Riverside High School principal and who wrote our digital learning plan. We will need the two additional waivers that you suggested in your email. Thank you again for your help and if there is anything else we will need to before June 10th please let me know.

Respectfully,
Mr. Priest

On Wed, Jun 2, 2021 at 12:38 PM Melissa Matus (ADE) <Melissa.Matus@ade.arkansas.gov> wrote:

Good Afternoon Mr. Priest,

The DESE legal team has been reviewing all waivers for Digital Learning applications that will be presented to the State Board of Education on Thursday, June 10th. The purpose of this email is to clarify the information regarding requested waivers. Based on your plan, the waivers for six hour instructional day and 120 clock hours will be needed for your district. Even though students are doing the equivalent, if they are not doing 120 hours or 6 hours per day, they need the waiver. Some students may be able to complete the assignments in less than that amount of time. Please confirm that the following is true.

Waivers

Six Hour Instructional Day: Riverside School District will need this waiver as students may complete daily work in less than six hours a day.

Clock Hours: Riverside School District will need this waiver as students may master course content in less than 120 clock hours.

Please reply all to this email confirming that you will need these two additional waivers. This email will be included with your ACT 1240 Waiver request for Digital Learning to confirm your district will be using these waivers.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 501-682-4367 (office) or 501-319-5491 (cell).

Thank you,

Melissa Matus

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