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 Waiver Request Submission Date:

Act 1240 Waiver Request

District Name: _____ **LEA:** _____

Superintendent: _____ **Email:** _____ **Phone:** _____

Waiver Topic	Standard for Accreditation	Division Rules	Arkansas Statutes	Duration Requested	Name of Open Enrollment Charter Holding Waiver

The proposed waiver(s) will apply to the following schools:

Schools	Grades	Specific Classes (if applicable)

1. Provide a detailed rationale explaining how the waivers will enhance student learning opportunities, promote innovation or increase equitable access to effective teachers.

2. Provide a detailed explanation of how the services being waived will be provided for students.

This area is reserved for providing a detailed explanation of how the services being waived will be provided for students. The content is currently blank.

3. Provide a detailed explanation of how the district will monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of the waiver.



The following documents must be submitted with the waiver request:

- 1. Evidence of the local school board's approval of the waiver request(s)**
- 2. Evidence of stakeholder involvement, including teachers and student families**



RESOLUTION OF THE PEA RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WHEREAS, the Pea Ridge School District is a public school district located in Northwest Arkansas; and

WHEREAS, the Pea Ridge School District is committed to providing all of its students with the greatest amount of educational opportunities; and

WHEREAS, waivers of certain state laws and administrative rules would allow the Pea Ridge School District to create enhanced educational opportunities for its students; and

WHEREAS, Act 1240 of 2015, codified at Ark. Code Ann. §6-15-103, allows a public school district to petition the State Board of Education for all or some of the waivers granted to an open-enrollment public charter school; and

WHEREAS, the Arkansas State Board of Education granted Arkansas Virtual Academy, Arkansas Connections Academy, Northwest Arkansas Classical Academy, and Haas Hall Academy Bentonville a series of waivers, including waivers from Sections 1-A.2, 1-A.5.2, 1-A.6, 4-D.1, 4-F.1, 4-F.2 of the Arkansas Department of Education Rules Governing Standards for Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and School Districts, and, Title 6 of the Arkansas Code Annotated, including Ark. Code Ann. §6-15-1004, §6-17-309, §6-17-401, §6-17-902, §6-17-919, §6-16-102, §6-10-106, §6-18-210, §6-18-211, §6-17-812, §6-25-104, §6-25.103, §6-15-216.

NOW THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED BY THE PEA RIDGE SCHOOL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THAT:

1. Pursuant to Act 1240 of 2015, codified at Ark. Code Ann. §6-15-103, the Pea Ridge School District Board of Directors hereby requests the following waivers from the Arkansas State Board of Education:

- a. Section 1-A.2, 1-A.5.2, 1-A.6, 4-D.1, 4-F.1, 4-F.2 of the Arkansas Department of Education Rules Governing Standards of Accreditation of Arkansas Public Schools and School Districts;
- b. Ark. Code Ann. §6-15-1004, §6-17-309, §6-17-401, §6-17-902, §6-17-919, §6-16-102, §6-10-106, §6-18-210, §6-18-211, §6-17-812, §6-25-104, §6-25.103, §6-15-216; and
- c. Any other such waivers as may legally be required and granted by the Arkansas State Board of Education to give effect to these educational efforts.



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2. The Pea Ridge School District wishes to petition the Arkansas State Board of Education to grant it the waivers listed in Section 1. of this Resolution.

3. The Pea Ridge School District Board of Directors voted to approve this Resolution on April 13, 2020, during an open, regularly scheduled meeting and further authorized its Superintendent to take such actions necessary to submit a copy of this Resolution along with supporting documentation to the Arkansas State Board of Education.

By: JSF
Jeff Neil, Board President

By: Sandy Button
Sandy Button, Board Secretary