



ARKANSAS  
DEPARTMENT  
OF EDUCATION

STANDARDS FOR ACCREDITATION  
1-YEAR WAIVER REQUEST FORM

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Waiver Topic: Planned Instructional Day

**Standard to be Waived**

**Standards for Accreditation**

- 1-A.5.2 Each public school shall provide a planned instructional day that averages no less than six (6) hours per day or thirty (30) hours per week. Any day in which fewer than six (6) hours of instructional time is provided to students shall be counted as one-half (1/2) of a school day if at least three (3) hours of instructional time is provided to students. Any day in which fewer than three (3) hours of instructional time is provided to students shall not be counted as part of a school day. (S/P) 6-10-125

**Rationale for Waiver**

In order to utilize one day a week for all students to participate in Real World Learning through internships program, we must have a waiver to operate. To accommodate student internships, the planned instructional day is 30 minutes shorter on Wednesdays. Therefore, the school has 5 hours, 30 minutes of instruction on Wednesdays instead of the required 6 hour instructional day and 29.5 hours of instruction per week instead of the required 30 hours per week. Future School is not asking for a waiver of graduation requirements, but only a waiver of the clock hour requirement. We will seek this waiver for this year then revisit it again next year.

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