## **Charter School Office**

## Waiver Request Form For Requests Submitted during the 2025 – 2026 School Year

## **Section 1: Administrative Data**

District/ School/ Applicant Name	Pulaski County Special School District	
	DRIVEN School of Opportunity	
Superintendent/ Point Of Contact	Jeff Senn/Rachel Blackwell	
Email Address	jsenn@pcssd.org/rblackwell@pcssd.org	
Phone Number	501-366-4110	
District/ School LEA (if assigned)	Pulaski County Special School District	
	New LEA Requested	
Date of Waiver Request Submission	12/2/2025	

## Section 2: Waiver Requests - Total of 1 Requests

Request # 1	Waiver Topic:			
	Arkansas Code Annotated:			
	Standard for Accreditation:	1-A.2	A high school unit of credit shall be awarded for a course that meets for a minimum of 120 clock hours unless the public school district awards units of credit based on subject matter competency in compliance with the public school district's approved plan under Ark. Code Ann. § 6-15-216. (S/P)	
	DESE Rules Governing:	NA		
	Rationale:	Unit of Credit meets for 120 clock hours.		
		With the flexible model DRIVEN School of Opportunity has used for the last seven years, we have found shorter class periods (25 minutes) with academic choice time available for students to work on concepts taught work best. Students have time to seek support from tutors and collaborate with other students.  Although most of our students complete the assigned number of courses each year, some wish to accelerate and take more than the allotted number of courses. In DRIVEN School of Opportunity, we support this as long as the student, parent, and mentor agree. Weekly check-ins among students, parents, and mentors help keep this process on track to ensure success.		

Request # 2	Waiver Topic:			
	Arkansas Code Annotated:			
	Standard for Accreditation:			
	DESE Rules Governing:			
	Rationale:			
Request # 3	Waiver Topic:			
	Arkansas Code			
	Annotated:			
	Standard for		1	
	Accreditation:			
	DESE Rules Governing:			
	Rationale:			
Request # 4	Waiver Topic:			
	Arkansas Code Annotated:			
	Standard for Accreditation:			
	DESE Rules Governing:			
	Rationale:			