



DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY EDUCATION

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Standards for Accreditation 1-Year Waiver Request

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Waiver Topic: Library Media Specialist Standard: 4-F.2

Rationale for Waiver:

Elkins School District is experiencing larger than expected student growth in both the elementary school and middle school. Both of those buildings had well below 300 students during the 2019-2020 school year, and subsequently had split a licensed library-media specialist between the two buildings. However, both buildings are slightly over the 300 student mark for 2020-2021, sitting at 304 and 306 respectively. Due to the library media specialist being a critical shortage area, and the added complication of COVID-19 we are asking for a one-year waiver to standard 4-F.2 which would allow us to properly search for a library-media specialist if the enrollment in these buildings remains above 300. Another additional fact leading to the waiver request is the number of actual students in the building is much lower than 300 students. We have approximately 20% of the student body in each building participating in virtual school. This means that there will only be about 240 students in each building during the school day. Based on these factors, Elkins School District is requesting a one-year waiver.

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