Waiver from the 990-Hour Instructional Requirement



Thursday, July 23, 2020 the Utah State Board of Education (USBE) approved an updated version of Board Rule R277-419 for the 2020-2021 school year. The updated Board rule allows an LEA to receive a waiver from the requirement for an LEA to provide 990 hours of instruction/educational services for the 2020-2021 school year if the LEA fulfills certain requirements.

Local Education Agency (LEA) Name

The applicable language can be found on lines 305-311 of R277-419:

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"Notwithstanding the requirements of Section R277-419-5, for the 2020-21 school year, an LEA is not subject to the requirement to conduct school for at least 990 hours of educational services if, by August 1, 2020, the LEA includes in the LEA's reopening requirements template, how the LEA will ensure continuity of teaching and learning by providing high quality instruction that includes blended learning and formative assessment strategies."

To obtain the waiver from the 990-hour requirement, an LEA is required to include a description of how the LEA will ensure continuity of teaching and learning by providing high quality instruction that includes blended learning and formative assessments into the LEA's reopening requirements template.

Description Ensuring Continuity of Teaching/Learning