

# Virginia Department of Education: Length of School Term Waiver Application

Pursuant to § 22.1-98 in the Code of Virginia.

\* Required

## Waiver Authority in the Code of Virginia

Pursuant to section 22.1-98 in the Code of Virginia, the Board of Education may waive the requirement that school divisions provide additional teaching days or teaching hours to compensate for school closings resulting from a declared state of emergency or severe weather conditions or other emergency situations. If the local school board desires a waiver, it shall submit a request to the Board of Education. The application below constitutes a local school board waiver request.

If the Board grants such a waiver, there shall be no proportionate reduction in the amount paid by the Commonwealth from the Basic School Aid Fund. Further, the local appropriations for educational purposes necessary to fund 180 teaching days or 990 teaching hours shall not be proportionally reduced by any local governing body due to any reduction in the length of the term of any school or the schools in a school division permitted by such waiver.

## Waiver Request Details

Please complete the following in order to have your waiver request reviewed:

1. Name of Requesting School Division \*

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2. Name of School Division Contact \*

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3. Title of School Division Contact \*

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4. Email of School Division Contact \*

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5. Name of Division Superintendent \*

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6. Name of Local School Board Chair \*

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7. Mailing Address of School Division Administrative Offices \*

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8. How many of the 180 teaching days or 990 teaching hours were completed at the time of application? If individual schools have different completion rates, please upload an itemized list using the file upload prompt below and enter "See Below" as the reply. \*

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9. How many of the 180 teaching days or 990 teaching hours would need to be waived? If individual schools have different completion rates, please upload an itemized list using the file upload prompt below and enter "See Below" as the reply. \*

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10. Please upload any supporting documents that provide supplemental information on teaching days or teaching hours for the questions above.

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11. Provide a short explanation for the waiver request. \*

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Certification

Please certify your school division's compliance with the below waiver requirements.

12. Certification of Waiver Request \*

*Check all that apply.*

Every reasonable effort for making up lost teaching days or teaching hours was exhausted before requesting a waiver of this requirement.

The chairman of the local school board AND the division superintendent have certified that every reasonable effort for making up lost teaching days or teaching hours was exhausted before requesting a waiver.

13. Please upload a letter acknowledging the above certification with signatures from the chairman of the local school board AND the division superintendent. \*

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