



Schools of Choice Unit
201 East Colfax Avenue
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Tina King Washington
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March 15, 2021

Dear Tina King Washington:

This letter is to notify you that on February 11, 2021 and on March 11, 2021, the State Board of Education approved certain waivers from state statute and rule that the Charter School Institute submitted on your behalf. These waivers will be valid through the term of your current contract, which expires on June 30, 2026. The following waivers were approved:

- C.R.S. 22-1-119.3(3)(d)-(f): Policy for student possession and administration of prescription medication
- C.R.S. 22-30.5-507(4)(a): Institute charter school requirement – Colorado nonprofit status
- C.R.S. 22-32-109(1)(b): Competitive bidding
- C.R.S. 22-32-109(1)(bb): Board of Education duties – tobacco policy
- C.R.S. 22-32-124(1)(c): Building codes for public schools, charter schools and junior colleges
- C.R.S. 22-33-105: Suspensions, expulsions, and denial of admission
- C.R.S. 22-33-106(4): Readmission and access to school of expelled student
- C.R.S. 22-61-102: Teacher employment – group membership
- C.R.S. 22-61-105: Teacher employment – oath, affirmation, or pledge – penalty
- C.R.S. 22-63-201: Teacher employment - certificate required
- C.R.S. 22-63-202: Teacher employment - contracts in writing, damage provision
- C.R.S. 22-63-203: Probationary teachers - renewal and non-renewal of employment contract
- C.R.S. 22-63-203.5: Portability of non-probationary status
- C.R.S. 22-63-205: Teacher employment - exchange of teachers out of state or foreign
- C.R.S. 22-63-206: Teacher employment - transfer of teachers
- C.R.S. 22-9-106: Local Board of Education - Duties Performance Evaluation System
- C.C.R. 301-68, Rules 7.06 and 8.00: Rules for Administration of Medications

Please note that charter schools must always meet the provisions in the Charter Schools Act as well as any other applicable state and federal laws. In addition, the waivers are subject to review by the Colorado Department of Education at any time.

Also as a reminder, with passage of HB 17-1375, charter schools are required to update the posting of their waivers within thirty days of the State Board approval. Please check your financial transparency page to make sure that you have the most up to date links posted. Of the two separate links on this page, one will be the non-automatic waivers with the corresponding rationale and replacement plans and other should be the standardized description and rationale for automatic waivers with any automatic waivers that you have invoked in your charter contract.





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Please contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Bill Kottenstette' with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Bill Kottenstette
Executive Director
Schools of Choice Unit

cc: Stephanie Aragon, Charter School Institute

