

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.

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

“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

Lakeview Academy (LVA) is committed to ensuring the continuity of teaching/learning. Our approved plan is designed to protect instructional minutes and provide assessments. Students who learn on campus will be given additional "homework" that will be completed at home and teachers will use this work to help assess student learning. This "homework" will be provided by the student's teacher and support for that student can be given by the teacher virtually to ensure they are able to complete the work. Students who are enrolled in our online program will be given every opportunity to receive the same high level of instruction from our certified teachers. Teachers are given additional prep time to work with students online. This time will be spent meeting with online learners virtually. These meetings will allow for additional lessons, interventions, and support. Online learners will be scheduled to come to the school to complete formal assessments. Informal assessments will be conducted virtually. All students will be supported in reaching the learning outcomes for all courses. Communication will be improved so we are helping all students and supporting family needs. Our school teachers and guidance counselor will contact families of any student not fully participating in either online or on campus programs. All students will be completing more than 990 hours in each program approved by our Board. The online program will include lessons pre-recorded, live streamed lessons, packets, online assignments and intervention software programs. LVA will support families with technology check out as needed.

After completing the description above email the completed form to coronavirus@schools.utah.gov
Submission due by **August 1, 2020**