DOUGLAS COUNTY SCHOOL SYSTEM
NOTICE OF REQUEST FOR PUBLIC COMMENT-ED FLEX WAIVER REQUEST
2023-2024
June 20, 2023

Notice
Ed-Flex Program

Douglas County Schools--New for the 2023-24 school year, the state of Georgia is allowing school districts to submit waivers under the Ed-Flex Program. Through Ed-Flex, the U.S. Department of Education (Secretary) delegates to eligible State Education Agencies (SEAs) the authority to waive certain statutory or regulatory education requirements that may impede local efforts to reform and improve education. Ed-Flex is designed to help Local Education Agencies (LEAs), or school districts, carry out educational reforms and raise the achievement of all students.

Ed-Flex is authorized under the Education Flexibility Partnership Act of 1999 and was reauthorized under the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) in 2015. The Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE) met the eligibility criteria as a SEA and is offering its school districts to apply for waivers over a five-year period. LEAs must apply to GaDOE annually for the desired waivers. Participating school districts will have to report annually on the effect of any state approved waivers.

For the 2023-2024 school year, we are pursuing the below waiver from the Georgia Department of Education (GaDOE).

- Waiver of Title I, Part A Limitation on Carryover – ESSA Section 1127(a) (Unspent Title I, Part A FY23 funds carried over to FY24).

  o If approved, this waiver would allow the Douglas County School System flexibility to expend the program funds based on the needs of our students. If you have any comments/feedback pertaining to this waiver, please contact Dr. Karen Stoutmire, Executive Director of Federal Programs by July 20, 2023.
Ed-Flex Waiver Application

LEA Name: *
Douglas County School

Request for School Year: *
2023-2024

I. Statewide Waiver Request

The following available statewide waiver is requested: (Please select a waiver from the dropdown menu, if applicable.) *

Waiver of Title I, Part A Limitation on Carryover – ESSA Section 1127(a) (Unspent Title I, Part A FY2)

Select each program affected by this waiver request: *

- Title I, Part A
- Title I, Part C
- Title I, Part D
- Title II, Part A
- Title IV, Part A

What are the overall expected results or the measurable educational goals that will be achieved through application of this waiver? (Please include both district-wide and/or local school level results or measurable goals):

*The percentage of students scoring at Proficient or Distinguished Learner on the Georgia Milestones (GMAS) English Language Arts and Math End of Grade Assessments will increase by six percentage points.*
How was public notice made regarding this waiver? (Please select all that apply): *
- [ ] LEA Website
- [ ] LEA/School Newsletter
- [ ] Newspaper
- [ ] N/A

Please provide any comments received as a result of the public notice here:

N/A

I. Statewide Waiver Request #2

The following available statewide waiver is requested: (Please select a waiver from the dropdown menu, if applicable.)

Select each program affected by this waiver request:
- [ ] Title I, Part A
- [ ] Title I, Part C
- [ ] Title I, Part D
- [ ] Title II, Part A
- [ ] Title IV, Part A

What are the overall expected results or the measurable educational goals that will be achieved through application of this waiver? (Please include both district-wide and/or local school level results or measurable goals):

How was public notice made regarding this waiver? (Please select all that apply):
- [ ] LEA Website
Please provide any comments received as a result of the public notice here:

I. Statewide Waiver Request #3

The following available statewide waiver is requested: (Please select a waiver from the dropdown menu, if applicable.)

Select each program affected by this waiver request:

☐ Title I, Part A
☐ Title I, Part C
☐ Title I, Part D
☐ Title II, Part A
☐ Title IV, Part A

What are the overall expected results or the measurable educational goals that will be achieved through application of this waiver? (Please include both district-wide and/or local school level results or measurable goals):

Type a question

☐ LEA Website
☐ LEA/School Newsletter
☐ Newspaper
Please provide any comments received as a result of the public notice here:
II. Local Waiver Request #1

A waiver is requested of an ESSA statutory or regulatory requirement applicable to the following program(s) (Please select all that apply): *

- Title I, Part A
- Title I, Part C
- Title I, Part D
- Title II, Part A
- Title IV, Part A

Define the specific statutory or regulatory requirement to be waived: *
If waived, what will be done that is different from what is currently required under the statute or regulation cited? *

Note: The LEA response must include a statement/evidence that the underlying purposes of the statutory requirements will continue to be met.

What are the overall expected results or the measurable educational goals that will be achieved through application of this waiver? (Please include both district-wide and/or local school level results or measurable goals): *

How was public notice made regarding this waiver? (Please select all that apply): *

- LEA Website
- LEA/School Newsletter
- Newspaper
- [ ]

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II. Local Waiver Request #2 (If Applicable)

A waiver is requested of an ESSA statutory or regulatory requirement applicable to the following program(s) (Please select all that apply):

☐ Title I, Part A  
☐ Title I, Part C  
☐ Title I, Part D  
☐ Title II, Part A  
☐ Title IV, Part A

Define the specific statutory or regulatory requirement to be waived:

If waived, what will be done that is different from what is currently required under the statute or regulation cited?

Note: The LEA response must include a statement/evidence that the underlying purposes of the statutory requirements will continue to be met.
What are the overall expected results or the measurable educational goals that will be achieved through application of this waiver? (Please include both district-wide and/or local school level results or measurable goals):

How was public notice made regarding this waiver? (Please select all that apply):

- LEA Website
- LEA/School Newsletter
- Newspaper

II. Local Waiver Request #3 (If Applicable)

Please provide any comments received as a result of the public notice here:

A waiver is requested of an ESSA statutory or regulatory requirement applicable to the following program(s) (Please select all that apply):

- Title I, Part A
- Title I, Part C
- Title I, Part D
- Title II, Part A
- Title IV, Part A
Define the specific statutory or regulatory requirement to be waived:

If waived, what will be done that is different from what is currently required under the statute or regulation cited?

Note: The LEA response must include a statement/evidence that the underlying purposes of the statutory requirements will continue to be met.

What are the overall expected results or the measurable educational goals that will be achieved through application of this waiver? (Please include both district-wide and/or local school level results or measurable goals):

How was public notice made regarding this waiver? (Please select all that apply):

☐ LEA Website
☐ LEA/School Newsletter
☐ Newspaper
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II. Local Waiver Request #4 (If Applicable)

A waiver is requested of an ESSA statutory or regulatory requirement applicable to the following program(s) (Please select all that apply):

☐ Title I, Part A
☐ Title I, Part C
☐ Title I, Part D
☐ Title II, Part A
☐ Title IV, Part A

Define the specific statutory or regulatory requirement to be waived:

If waived, what will be done that is different from what is currently required under the statute or regulation cited?

Note: The LEA response must include a statement/evidence that the underlying purposes of the statutory requirements will continue to be met.
What are the overall expected results or the measurable educational goals that will be achieved through application of this waiver? (Please include both district-wide and/or local school level results or measurable goals):

How was public notice made regarding this waiver? (Please select all that apply):

- [ ] LEA Website
- [ ] LEA/School Newsletter
- [ ] Newspaper
- [ ]

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II. Local Waiver Request #5 (If Applicable)

A waiver is requested of an ESSA statutory or regulatory requirement applicable to the following program(s) (Please select all that apply):

- [ ] Title I, Part A
- [ ] Title I, Part C
- [ ] Title I, Part D
- [ ] Title II, Part A
- [ ] Title IV, Part A
Define the specific statutory or regulatory requirement to be waived:

If waived, what will be done that is different from what is currently required under the statute or regulation cited?

Note: The LEA response must include a statement/evidence that the underlying purposes of the statutory requirements will continue to be met.

What are the overall expected results or the measurable educational goals that will be achieved through application of this waiver? (Please include both district-wide and/or local school level results or measurable goals):
How was public notice made regarding this waiver? (Please select all that apply):

☐ LEA Website
☐ LEA/School Newsletter
☐ Newspaper
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I. Statewide Waiver Request #3