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Office of Public Instruction Flexibility Requests for the 2020-2021 School Year Updated 9/1/2020

Approved Requests to the Governor

- Waiver of off-site learning restrictions
- Pupil transportation support from the Coronavirus Relief Fund
- Clarification of school mask directive

Status of Requests to the Board of Public Education

- Licensure application extension- approved
- Maintain 2019-2020 accreditation status- pending
- Opening timelines in <u>ARM 55 (accred.)</u>, <u>57 (lic.)</u>, <u>58, (ed. prep)</u>- pending

Approved Requests to the Federal Government

- Non-congregate Feeding in the Child Nutrition Programs USDA
- Meal Service Time Flexibility in the National School Lunch Program- USDA
- Parents and Guardians to Pick Up Meals for Children USDA
- Meal Pattern Flexibility in the Child Nutrition Programs USDA
- Offer versus Serve Flexibility for Senior High Schools in the National School Lunch Program – USDA
- Summer Food Service Program continuation through December 31st USDA
- Accountability and school identification requirements in sections 1111(c)(4) and 1111(d)(2)(C) -(D) that are based on data from the 2019-2020 school year - ED
- <u>Report card provisions</u> related to assessments and accountability in section 1111(h) based on data from the 2019-2020 school year - ED
- <u>Fiscal Flexibility</u> waiver, which provides flexibility in the use of funds and other requirements covered under ESEA including the Title I, Parts A–D, Title II, Title III, Part A, Title IV, Parts A–B, and Title V programs - ED