

## Motion to Waive Board Rule Provisions due to COVID-19

May 7, 2020

In light of the national and state declarations of states of emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and in addition to the waivers approved by the Board on March 19, April 2, and April 16, 2020, the State Board of Education:

- 1) for the 2019-20 school year, waives the reporting requirements in Rule [R277-406](#), which require an LEA to report the LEA's progress toward early literacy goals to the Superintendent by June 30, 2020;
- 2) for a school in the school's first year of operation during the 2019-20 school year, waives the requirement in Section [R277-410-3](#) for a new school to obtain accreditation from a regional accrediting body in the school's first year for an additional year to allow the new school an additional year to obtain accreditation;
- 3) for a student enrolled in a school in the school's first year of operation during the 2019-20 school year, waives the requirements of Subsection [R277-410-3\(2\)](#) and deems credit granted from a non-accredited school during the 2019-20 school year as credit earned from an accredited source;
- 4) for a student who graduates between January 1 and October 1, 2020, waives the requirements of Rule [R277-746](#) and the [Utah Driver Handbook](#), which allows a student to complete driver education with a public school until the student's official graduation date, to allow a student who graduates between January 1 and October 1, 2020 to complete a driver education course with a public school through the end of December 31, 2020; and
- 5) extends the May 1 deadline in Section [R277-602-3](#) for a parent of a student participating in the Carson Smith Scholarship Program (Program) to indicate the student's continued enrollment in the Program from May 1 to June 15, 2020.