

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**Title:** School-Based Calendar Waivers for Educational Purposes**Type of Executive Summary:**

- Action Action on First Reading Discussion Information

Policy Implications:

- Constitution _____
 General Statute #GS 115C-84.2
 SBE Policy # _____
 SBE Policy Amendment
 SBE Policy (New)
 APA # _____
 APA Amendment
 APA (New)
 Other _____

Presenter(s): Mr. Rob Hines (Director, LEA Council)**Description:**

Calendar Waivers for Educational Purposes are being presented to the State Board for approval. School-based calendar waiver requests are submitted for State Board action per GS 115C-84.2. This statute states that the State Board may waive the opening and closing dates specified in the School Calendar Law for educational purposes that may include

- a specific school to accommodate a special program offered generally to the student body of that school,
- a school that primarily serves a special population of students, or
- a defined program within a school.

Resources:

N/A

Input Process:

N/A

Stakeholders:

LEAs, school staff, students, and parents

Timeline For Action:

This item is presented for Action on First Reading at the April 2009 Board meeting.

Recommendations:

The State Board of Education is requested to review and approve the following calendar waivers for educational purposes recommendations.

Audiovisual equipment requested for the presentation:

- Data Projector/Video (Videotape/DVD and/or Computer Data, Internet, Presentations-PowerPoint preferred)
Specify: _____
- Audio Requirements (computer or other, except for PA system which is provided)
Specify: _____
- Document Camera (for transparencies or paper documents – white paper preferred)

Motion By: _____ Seconded By: _____
Vote: Yes _____ No _____ Abstain _____
Approved _____ Disapproved _____ Postponed _____ Revised _____

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School Calendar Waiver Requests for Educational Purposes

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ID	SBE District	LEA	School	Rationale	Recommendation
1	1	Hertford County Schools	Hertford County Early College	This is an early college high school located on a community college campus. Many students take community college courses and a traditional calendar would prevent the school from accommodating the community college class schedule. Requested open date (SY 09-10): August 6, 2009 Requested end date (SY 09-10): May 25, 2010	Grant waiver for school year 2009-10 through school year 2013-14 (5 years)
2	1	Hertford County Schools	CS Brown Student Development Center	This is an alternative high school with a 21 credit Diploma Program allowing students to move into an AA degree program at the local community college. Students will be enrolled in CC courses and a traditional calendar would prevent the school from accommodating the community college class schedule. Requested open date (SY 09-10): August 6, 2009 Requested end date (SY 09-10): May 25, 2010	Grant waiver for school year 2009-10.
3	5	Winston-Salem/Forsyth County Schools	Atkins HS of Computer Technology Atkins HS of Biotechnology Atkins HS of Pre-engineering W-S/Forsyth Career Center Carver HS East Forsyth HS Robert Glenn HS Jacket Academy at Carver HS Mount Tabor HS North Forsyth HS Parkland HS	Requesting a calendar waiver to permit ninth graders to attend two days of Freshman Orientation Program to ease the transition into high school. Requested opening date: August 19, 2009 Requested closing date: N/A	Grant waiver for school year 2009-10

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ID	SBE District	LEA	School	Rationale	Recommendation
			Ronald Reagan HS RJ Reynolds HS West Forsyth HS W-S Preparatory Academy		
4	3	Wilson County Schools	Wilson Early College High School	This is an early college high school located on a community college campus. Many students take community college courses and a traditional calendar would prevent the school from accommodating the community college class schedule. Requested open date (SY 09-10): August 15, 2009 Requested end date (SY 09-10): May 31, 2010	Grant waiver for school year 2009-10 through school year 2013-14 (5 years)