

STEM School Highlands Ranch Automatic Waiver Request Template

*Use the addendum template below to list **automatic waiver(s)** from policy and rule and the related replacement plans that the charter school is requesting.*

Automatic district waivers still require a developed plan, process, or policy on record. DCSD has streamlined this process with its “Automatic Waiver Request Template” document. This document allows charter schools to reference their replacement policy using existing material (e.g., Staff or Student Handbook, Application, Policy Handbook, etc.). This process is not intended to be exhaustive, rather it aims to help protect the autonomy of the charter school.

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Automatic Waivers: Policy Description and Rationale and Replacement Plan / Process
Policy Citation and Title BBBE Unexpired Term Fulfillment Vacancies 06.18.19
Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link: This policy is covered in Section 3.4 of the STEM School Bylaws. STEM School Bylaws (amended 8.2018)

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Policy Citation and Title

[BC School Board Member Conduct 06.18.19](#)

[BCA_E_1 Code of Ethics for School Board Members 08.20.19](#)

[BCB School Board Member Conflict of Interest 06.18.19](#)

Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link: This policy is covered in Article 7 and Section 8.5 of the STEM School Bylaws.

[STEM School Bylaws \(amended 8.2018\)](#)

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Policy Citation and Title:

[BE School Board Meetings 06.18.19](#)

[BEDH Public Participation at School Board Meetings 06.18.19 \(1\)](#)

Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link:

This policy is covered in Sections 3.5, 3.6, and 7.4, of the STEM School Bylaws.

[STEM School Bylaws \(amended 8.2018\)](#)

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Policy Citation and Title:

[BG Policy Process 04.02.2019](#)

[BG_E Policy Process Delegation of District Policy 04.02.19](#)

Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link:

This policy is covered in Article V of the STEM School Bylaws.

[STEM School Bylaws \(amended 8.2018\)](#)

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[DFE Gate Receipts and Admissions \(Royalties\) 12.03.02](#)

Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link:

STEM School Highlands Ranch follows the policies set forth by CHSSA with regard to gate and game admission cost. If no policy is applicable STEM School Highlands Ranch will maintain a non for profit policy which allows for covering all costs specific to an event.

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[IGA Curriculum Development 05.2012](#)

[IGA-E District Course Proposal Form 11.07.18](#)

[IGA-E-1 District Concurrent Enrollment Program Proposal 11.07.18](#)

[IGA-R Curriculum Development 11.07.18](#)

Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link:

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Policy Citation and Title:

[IJ Textbook and Instructional Materials Selection and Adoption 07.15.14](#)

[IJ-E Textbook and Instructional Materials Selection and Adoption Request Checklist 03.06.19](#)

[IJ-E-1 Proposal to Adopt a Textbook 03.2019](#)

[IJ-E-2 Novel Book-Length Work Proposal 03.2019](#)

[IJ-E-3 District Initiated Textbook required curriculum materials adoption proposal 7.2020](#)

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Policy Citation and Title:

[IJ-R Procedures for Reviewing and Recommending Textbooks and Instructional Materials 03.06.19](#)

[IJA Selection of Controversial Learning Resources 05.2012](#)

[IJA-R Selection of Controversial Learning Resources 05.2012](#)

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Policy Citation and Title:

[IJOA Field Trips and Excursions 11.28.05](#)

Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link:

STEM School Highlands Ranch is responsible for managing its own field trips. Furthermore, all field trips align with the vision and mission of STEM School Highlands Ranch and a model of Problem Based Learning.

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Policy Citation and Title:

[IKAB Student Progress Reports to Parents-Guardians and Students 01.28.08](#)

[IKAB-R-1 Student Progress Reports to Parents and Students 01.26.08](#)

Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link:

STEM School Highlands Ranch will align with this policy but governs its own student reporting, which is communicated in the Parent/Student Handbook on page 22.

[Parent/Student Handbook](#)

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Policy Citation and Title:

[JICA Student Dress 09.15.20](#)

Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link:

STEM School Highlands Ranch agrees with the majority of the DCSD policies related to dress code but has modified a few policies in order to suit the culture and student choice within the student body. Staff and students were involved in adopting the dress code which is communicated in the Parent/Student Handbook on page 26.

[Parent/Student Handbook](#)