

DCSD Charter School 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.

Automatic Waivers

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Automatic Waivers: Policy Description and Rationale and Replacement Plan / Process
Policy Citation and Title: (JQE-E Student Fees Appendix A FY 2020-2021)
Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link: STEM School Highlands Ranch is responsible for managing its own student fee structure. Furthermore, all student fees align with the DCSD Student Fee policies and regulations. Student fees are utilized to provide additional curricular and technology resources to support the mission and vision. STEM School Highlands Ranch Mission: Never Stop Innovating

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[STEM 2023-2024 Student Fees](#)

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Policy Citation and Title: [KF Community Use of School Facilities 03.16.04](#)
[KF-R-1 Community Use of School Facilities 04.03.13](#)

Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link:

STEM School Highlands Ranch is responsible for managing its own facilities and the use of its facilities. STEM School Highlands Ranch partners with the community to ensure the alignment to the mission and vision. STEM School Highlands Ranch requires each partner to complete a [Charter Use Application and Contract](#) when utilizing the school owned facilities.

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Policy Citation and Title: [IJA-E-3 Guest Speaker Permission Form 05.2012](#)

Replacement Plan, Process or Policy Link:

STEM School Highlands Ranch is responsible to identify, deliver, and monitor Curriculum, partnerships and guests that may be interacting with STEM students. All guest presentations align with the Colorado Academic Standards. Curriculum development,

Instructional resources, and guest speakers or presenters are approved by the STEM School Highlands Ranch Director of Curriculum and Instruction. In addition, curriculum development and decision making aligns with the vision and mission of STEM School Highlands Ranch and a model of Problem Based Learning.

All guest speakers and partnerships follow the volunteer process which includes background checks.

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