

Issaquah School District #411

Issaquah, Washington

Resolution 1257

A resolution requesting the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction grant the Issaquah School District a 3-year waiver from the minimum of one hundred eighty-day school requirement of the Basic Education Program Requirements

WHEREAS, students are required to be in attendance for 180 school days; and

WHEREAS, for the Issaquah School District to reach our goal of every student meeting standard on state required assessments, we must garner parent/caregiver support and keep them apprised of their child's progress and communicate ways for them to provide additional support in the home. Research shows a direct correlation between parent engagement and student success, and we know that parents/ caregiver engagement in their student's learning community and partnering with our teachers when their children are in elementary school is the best way to keep parents and caregivers engaged throughout their student's entire K-12 public school experience. We will monitor parent participation in conferencing and will seek input from vested partners to position these conferences in the year when they can be the most impactful for student learning; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of the waiver is to maintain our current conference schedule which minimizes the number of consecutive days required to carry out parent teacher conferences and acknowledges staff professional development that meets state requirements. The District will still meet the required 1,000 hours of instructional time required by the state. Elementary conferences would occur for two days in the month of November for each calendar year. Staff professional development will focus on Multi-Tiered Systems of Support for one day in January.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Issaquah School District requests the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction grant a waiver for the 2026-27, 2027-28 and 2028-29 school years to reduce the number of school days by three (3) for elementary schools and by one (1) for middle and high schools in each of those school years. The District assures the annual averages of 1,000 hours of instructional hour offerings (RCW 28A.150.220(2)(a)) will be met at the elementary and middle school levels, and 1,080 hours at the high school level with the approval of this waiver.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the Board of Directors of the Issaquah School District No. 411, King County, Washington at an open public meeting held on December 11, 2025, with the following directors being present and voting:

Board President _____

Director _____

Director _____

Director _____

Attest:

Director _____

Secretary to the Board of Directors