

**RESOLUTION 76**

**Community College District No. 13**

**Lower Columbia College**



**APPLICATION TO STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION FOR TEMPORARY )  
WAIVER FROM HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS FOR )  
LOWER COLUMBIA COLLEGE CAREER EDUCATION OPTIONS PROGRAM )**

**WHEREAS**, Regional high school districts currently contract with the Lower Columbia College Career Education Options (CEO) educational recovery program as specified in WAC 392-121-188, and is capable of providing either 20 or 24 credits of high school credit meeting Washington State Board of Education (SBE) graduation requirements codified under Chapter 217, Laws of 2014, and prior requirements;

**WHEREAS**, Some of CEO's regional high school partners have requested and received a temporary waiver from the SBE to delay implementation of the 24 high school credit requirement;

**WHEREAS**, LCC's CEO program, in order to better align with our regional high school district partner's curriculum and facilitate completion for students, wishes to be able to offer either a 20 credit or a 24 credit option depending on the needs of each district;

**RESOLVED**, The LCC Board of Trustees requests a temporary waiver to delay the implementation of the 24 credit high school graduation requirement for its Career Education Options educational recovery program when requested by a contracting district. The waiver would affect the graduating classes of 2019, and 2020.

**ADOPTED** BY THE Board of Trustees at its meeting of August 22, 2018

**LOWER COLUMBIA COLLEGE  
DISTRICT 13 BOARD OF TRUSTEES**



*Steve Vincent*  
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Steve Vincent, Vice Chair

**Attest:**  
*Chris Bailey*  
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Chris Bailey, President and Secretary to the Board

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, we have signed this instrument and affixed the Lower Columbia College seal this 22nd day of August 2018

This page is a resolution that contains signatures from the Vice Chair and the President and Secretary to the Board of Trustees of Lower Columbia College.



# THE WASHINGTON STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

*A high-quality education system that prepares all students for college, career, and life.*

## APPLICATION Temporary Waiver from High School Graduation Requirements Under Chapter 217, Laws of 2014

### **Instructions**

RCW 28A.230.090(1)(d)(ii) authorizes school districts to apply to the State Board of Education (SBE) for a temporary waiver from the career and college ready graduation requirements directed by Chapter 217, Laws of 2014 (E2SSB 6552) beginning with the graduating class of 2020 or 2021 instead of the graduating class of 2019. This law further provides:

“In the application, a school district must describe why the waiver is being requested, the specific impediments preventing timely implementation, and efforts that will be taken to achieve implementation with the graduating class proposed under the waiver. The state board of education shall grant a waiver under this subsection (1)(d) to an applying school district at the next subsequent meeting of the board after receiving an application.”

The SBE has adopted rules to implement this provision as WAC 180-51-068(11). The rules provide that the SBE must post an application form on its public web site for use by school districts. The rules further provide:

- The application must be accompanied by a resolution adopted by the district’s board of directors requesting the waiver. The resolution must, at a minimum:
  1. State the entering freshman class or classes for whom the waiver is requested;
  2. Be signed by the chair or president of the board of directors and the superintendent.
- A district implementing a waiver granted by the SBE under this law will continue to be subject to the prior high school graduation requirements as specified in WAC 180-51-067 during the school year or years for which the waiver has been granted.
- A district granted a waiver under this law that elects to implement the career and college ready graduation requirements in WAC 180-51-068 during the period for which the waiver is granted shall provide notification of that decision to the SBE.

Please send the application and school board resolution electronically to:

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360-725-6047  
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**Application**

Please complete in full. Please identify any attachments provided by reference to the numbered items below.

1. Lower Columbia College Career Education Options HS Completion Program

2. Contact information:

Heidi Patrick, Manager

360.442.2691

hpatrick@lcc.ctc.edu

3. August 22, 2018

4. Please explain why the district is requesting a waiver to delay implementation of career and college ready graduation requirements in WAC 180-51-068.

The Career Education Options program at Lower Columbia College partners with the K12 districts in Cowlitz and Wahkiakum Counties. We provide instruction under contract to the at-risk student population of these districts. Our program is aligned to state graduation standards and in order to serve the students of our district partners, we are requesting the waiver in order to keep our program aligned with our service district partners which have been granted the waiver to delay implementation of the career and college ready graduation requirements.

5. Please describe the specific impediments preventing implementation of the career and college ready graduation requirements beginning with the graduating class of 2019.

We are currently able to fully implement the CCR standards, but are requesting the waiver in order to remain aligned with our partner districts.

6. Please indicate below the graduating class for which the district will first implement the career and college ready graduation requirements.

\_\_\_\_\_ Class of 2020

\_\_\_X\_\_\_ Class of 2021

7. Please describe the efforts that will be undertaken to achieve implementation of the career and college ready graduation requirements for the graduating class indicated above.

We have courses available that fully meet the CCR graduation requirements. Our program has developed high school level courses based on OSPI curriculum standards that fulfill all credit requirements for the 24 credit high school diploma. Additionally, student that meet eligibility requirements may take college level coursework that transfers back into their high school diploma program. At the request of the participating districts which have implemented CCR graduation requirements for those classes prior to 2021, we are fully able to offer the 24 credit diploma option.

**Final step**

Please attach the district resolution required by WAC 180-51-068, signed and dated by the chair or president of the board of directors and the district superintendent.