

New Mexico

Public Education Department

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| **Absences Preventing State or National Competition Participation** |

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**Waiver rEQUEST**

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| **Instructions:** Please complete this form electronically from the email of the superintendent, charter school administrator, or designee. Email to: [Waivers.PED@state.nm.us](mailto:Waivers.PED@state.nm.us) in word document format.  **Note:** The respond boxes expand automatically as you add text. | | | | |
| District or Charter School: | | | | |
| Superintendent or Charter School Administrator: | | | | |
| Mailing Address: | | | State: NM | Zip Code: |
| Phone: | Fax: | Email: | | |

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| Secondary Contact: | Title: |
| Phone: | Email: |

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| Date Submitted: | | |
| Does local school board policy require board approval prior to this request? | Yes | No |
| If yes, has board approval been obtained? | Yes | No |
| Date of Board Approval | | |

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| **Please Use One Form Per District—Enter Multiple Students Per Table** |

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| **Applicable Statute and/or Rule** |
| NMSA **22-12-2.1. Interscholastic extracurricular activities; student participation.**  A.     A student shall have a 2.0 grade point average on a 4.0 scale, or its equivalent, either cumulatively or for the grading period immediately preceding participation, in order to be eligible to participate in any interscholastic extracurricular activity. For purposes of this section, "grading period" is a period of time not less than six weeks. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to special education students placed in class C and class D programs.  B.     No student shall be absent from school for school-sponsored interscholastic extracurricular activities in excess of fifteen days per semester, and no class may be missed in excess of fifteen times per semester. C.     The provisions of Subsections A and B of this section apply only to interscholastic extracurricular activities.  D.     The state superintendent [secretary] may issue a waiver relating to the number of absences for participation in any state or national competition. The state superintendent shall develop a procedure for petitioning cumulative provision eligibility cases, similar to other eligibility situations.  E.     Student standards for participation in interscholastic extracurricular activities shall be applied beginning with a student's academic record in grade nine. |

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| **When Requesting Waivers for Multiple Students,**  **Complete All Fields in the Student and School Table Below For Each Student** |

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| **Student and School Information** | | | | | | | | |
| Student | Student meets GPA eligibility (Y/N) | | | | Number of Absences | Grade | School | Activity Description |
|  |  | Y |  | N |  |  |  |  |
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| **Rationale for Request** |
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| **FOR PED INTERNAL USE ONLY** | |
| Reviewed by: | Date: |
| **Rationale for Approval:** | |
| Concur with staff recommendations for approval.  Mariana D. Padilla  Secretary of Public Education | Date: |
| **Rationale for Non-Approval:** | |
| Concur with staff recommendations for non-approval.  Mariana D. Padilla  Secretary of Public Education | Date: |
| Returned to superintendent or charter school administrator by | Date: |

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