

Cooperative Boards

Exhibit - Waiver and Modification Request Resource Guide

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Holidays, 105 ILCS 5/24-2(b).	<p>Explanation</p> <p>Allows the Cooperative to hold school or schedule teachers' institutes, parent-teacher conferences, or staff development on certain holidays without submitting a modification request to and obtaining approval from ISBE.</p> <p>The Cooperative may hold school or schedule teachers' institutes, parent-teacher conferences, or staff development on:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The third Monday in January (Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s Birthday); 2. February 12 (President Abraham Lincoln's Birthday); 3. The first Monday in March (Casimir Pulaski Day); 4. The second Monday in October (Columbus Day); and/or 5. November 11 (Veterans Day). <p>Special Considerations</p> <p>The Cooperative must prepare a proposal for recognizing the person(s) honored by the holiday through instructional activities conducted on that day or, if the day is not used for student attendance, on the first school day preceding or following that day. The Cooperative may also consider aligning the proposal with Board policies 5:200, <i>Terms and Conditions of Employment and Dismissal</i>; 5:330, <i>Sick Days, Vacation, Holidays, and Leaves</i>; and 6:20, <i>School Year Calendar and Day</i>.</p> <p>Resources</p> <p>See the tab labeled <i>Waivers and modifications no longer needed for legal school holiday requests, most parent-teacher conference schedules</i> on ISBE's website at:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">www.isbe.net/Pages/Modifications-of-the-School-Codes-and-Rules-of-the-State-Board.aspx</p>
Parent-Teacher Conferences (Attendance Calculation), 105 ILCS 5/10-19.05(d), added by P.A. 101-12.	<p>Explanation</p> <p>The Cooperative is allowed to count a parent-teacher conference as a full-day of attendance, under any of the following configurations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A minimum of five clock-hours of parent-teacher conferences; 2. Both a minimum of two clock-hours of parent-teacher conferences held in the evening following a full day of student attendance, and a minimum of three clock-hours of parent-teacher conferences

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	<p>held on the day immediately following evening parent-teacher conferences; or</p> <p>3. Multiple parent-teacher conferences held in the evenings following full days of student attendance, in which the time used for the parent-teacher conferences is equivalent to a minimum of five clock-hours.</p> <p>Special Considerations</p> <p>Any other options for counting a parent-teacher conference as a full day of attendance not covered by the language above will require a waiver request to the General Assembly for its consideration.</p> <p>The above clock-hour requirements do not apply if the Governor declares a disaster due to a public health emergency pursuant to 20 ILCS 3305/7 and the State Superintendent of Education may establish minimum clock-hour requirements under 105 ILCS 5/10-30. 105 ILCS 5/10-19.05(j-5), added by P.A. 101-643.</p> <p>Resources</p> <p>See the tab labeled <i>Waivers and modifications no longer needed for legal school holiday requests, most parent-teacher conference schedules</i> on ISBE's website at: www.isbe.net/Pages/Modifications-of-the-School-Codes-and-Rules-of-the-State-Board.aspx</p>

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