

RESOLUTION NO. 08-26

REQUEST A WAIVER OF THE MINIMUM 180-DAY SCHOOL YEAR FOR GRADES K-12 (WAC 180-18-040)

WHEREAS, the state legislature requires that the school year consist of 180 school days, Wenatchee School District No. 246 is requesting a waiver of the minimum 180-day school year for the 2026-2027 school year for grades K-12; and

WHEREAS, the State Board of Education is authorized to approve a waiver of this requirement, conditional upon the district providing adequate evidence that it is improving student learning through increased parental involvement and parent-teacher communication by attending parent-teacher conferences; and

WHEREAS, the Wenatchee School District has reviewed attendance at parent-teacher conferences. Fewer days of full-day parent conferences cause less loss of quality learning time compared to more days of half-day parent conferences. In reviewing perceptual data from teachers and administrators, satisfaction with the half-day conference has dropped. Teaching and conferencing on the same day is not desirable. Full-day options increase the total amount of time for conferencing.

WHEREAS, the Wenatchee School District will continue to meet the minimum instructional hours requirement per RCW 28A.150.220(2) under the waiver plan.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Directors of the Wenatchee School District No. 246 approves the request for a one-year waiver from the State Board of Education to move from 180 school days to 176 school days.

ADOPTED by the Wenatchee School District No. 246 Board of Directors, Chelan County, Washington, at the regular meeting thereof, held on August 25, 2026, the following Directors being present and voting thereon:

ATTEST:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Secretary to the Board

Board President

Date

Director

Director

Director

Director