WAIVER OF PARTICIPATION

(Waiver of Participation in a Portion of the Curriculum or in an Activity)

Canyons School District (CSD) recognizes if a parent/legal guardian of a student, or a secondary student (grade 6-12) determines that the student’s participation in a portion of the curriculum or in an activity would require the student to affirm or deny a religious belief or right of conscience, or engage or refrain from engaging in a practice forbidden or required in the exercise of a religious right or right of conscience, the parent or secondary student may request: (a) a waiver of the requirement to participate; or (b) a reasonable alternative that requires reasonably equivalent performance by the student of the secular objectives of the curriculum or activity in question. (See, Utah Code §53G-10-205 (2)).

Upon receipt of a request for a waiver, the school shall: (a) waive the participation requirement; (b) provide a reasonable alternative to the requirement; or (c) notify the requesting party that participation is required. (See, Utah Code §53G-10-205 (4)). See, Policy—600.02—Instructional Materials.

Personal Information for a Waiver Request

1. Name of Student/Grade ______________________
2. Name of Parent/Legal Guardian ______________________
3. E-mail ______________________________________
4. Instructor (if known) ______________________
5. The portion of curriculum or activity for which you are requesting a waiver or reasonable alternative: (generalized complaints that are not specific to a particular class will not be considered)
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6. Parent’s suggested alternative that requires reasonably equivalent performance by the student of the objective of the curriculum or activity that is believed to be objectionable:
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Secondary Student Signature ______________________ Date _________
Parent/Legal Guardian Signature ______________________ Date _________

School Review of Request for Waiver of Participation – School Use Only

The School has reviewed the waiver request and determined:
1. □ Participation is waived on date _______ for ______________________________________________________.
2. □ The school has reviewed the waiver and determined participation is required and therefore the waiver is denied on ______________, and parent has been notified on ________________.
3. □ A reasonable alternative will be required, which is described as follows: __________________________
________________________________________________________. Please contact ______________________ for specific information.