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Ed-Flex FAQ

1. What are the differences between the four waivers on the application? Waiver #1 is a carryover waiver that LEAs can apply for if they would like to increase their maximum carryover percentage from 15% to 25%. Using this would not count as an excess carry over waiver that LEAs can use once every 3 years.

Waiver #2 allows LEAs to apply to use their own criteria for paraprofessional requirements.

Waiver #3 is only for the IDOC.

Waiver #4 allows LEAs to apply to eliminate the Title IV, Part A requirement to use 20% of funds in well-rounded education and social-emotional learning categories.

- How many Ed-Flex Waivers can we apply for? There is a Waiver #1, #2, and #4 and my LEA is eligible for all of them.
 All LEAs are eligible to apply for all three waivers. The difference is that Waiver #1 has to be applied for annually, but Waivers #2 and #4 last through June 30, 2024 once approved.
- 3. We already applied for Waiver #2 but now we want to apply for Waiver #1, what do we do? Go ahead and apply, we will add this waiver application to our records. You can apply for Waiver #4 now too if you would like.
- 4. We would like to apply for Waiver #2 but we would like to use paraprofessional requirements that are not in the IDOE's suggestions list, what do we do? On the waiver application, you have to choose what your requirements will be, you can choose from the IDOE suggestions or add your own.
- 5. We have been approved for Waiver #2 and the waiver lasts through June 30, 2024. What will the paraprofessional requirements be after that date? At this time, we anticipate the requirements will go back to the previous requirements of passing the ParaPro test or completing two years of college.
- I have some additional questions, who can I contact? Contact Graham Collins at 317-234-2145 or <u>gcollins2@doe.in.gov</u> or your <u>assigned federal</u> <u>grants specialist</u>.