



STATE OF CONNECTICUT

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION



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Dear Colleagues,

Due to changes in CDC guidance, in which they suggest that there may be long-term cancellations of classes, and US Department of Education guidance regarding districts' efforts to provide continuity of education, we are planning to reduce your reporting requirements and eliminate individual district applications for 180-day waivers. Now we may all focus our efforts on providing students in Connecticut with continuing educational opportunities to the greatest extent possible. The SDE guidance this morning identified RESCs as partners that will have resources, exemplars, and materials for districts to access. We will also provide additional resources tomorrow.

As a result, districts should engage immediately in providing continuity of educational opportunities for students and may end the school year at their regularly scheduled end date.

Continued Success,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Miguel A. Cardona".

Dr. Miguel A. Cardona
Commissioner of Education