



**Midland Community Unit School District #7**

1830 St. Rt. 17

Varna, IL 61540

309-463-2364

Fax 309-463-2467

Jenelle Colvin – Board President

Rolf A. Sivertsen Superintendent

**INFORMATIONAL SUMMARY  
PUBLIC HEARING ON SCHOOL CODE WAIVER APPLICATIONS**

November 25, 2013

High School Credit For Algebra and Biology in Middle School – Section 27-22.10

- The School Code already allows high school credit for middle school students.
- The law currently requires that either (i) the middle school students be taught at the high school or (ii) a high school teacher travel to the middle school to teach them.
- Ms. Sloan is already certified to teach high school algebra. Mr. Cook is already certified to teach high school biology.
- This waiver would allow us to give high school credit for algebra and biology without transporting the students or disrupting the high school teachers during the day.

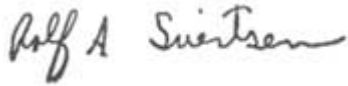
Physical Education – Section 27-6

- The School Code requires daily PE classes but already has a number of exceptions.
  - Grades 11-12: athletics, academic classes required for college admission, or academic classes required for high school graduation.
  - Grades 9-12: marching band or ROTC.
  - Grades 3-12: students eligible for special education support services
- This waiver would allow us to exempt students from PE classes for:
  - Grades 5-12: academic interventions in reading, math, or both.
  - Grades 5-12: band, chorus, and music (marching band in grades 9-12 already available through the School Code).
  - Grades 7-10: athletics (grades 11-12 already available through the School Code).
  - Grades 7-12: cheerleading and dance.

***“The Premiere Central Illinois School District”***

- Grades 9-12: AP classes, vocational classes in agriculture, family and consumer science, business, Co-Op program, or driver education class.
- Grades 10-12: dual credit community college programs with IVCC and ICC.
- This requires review by the Illinois State Board of Education and approval by the Illinois Senate and House of Representatives. If they disagree with any of the requested criteria, they can modify the waiver as they see fit.
- PE classes will still be available and exemptions would be at the option of the student [and his or her parents].
- Students with IEPs that call for PE will still receive their proper services.

Sincerely



Superintendent  
Midland Schools