

**Please enter the name of the district:** Lighthouse Academy District

**District Code** 41922

**Please review the Standards for Determining a Bona Fide Year Round School. Check the box that describes your program.** Summer Learning Program (You offer a summer program to all students, free of charge, that shortens your summer break to six weeks or fewer)

**Will your summer learning program be offered to all students?** Yes

**Will your summer learning program be free of charge to all students?** Yes

**How will your summer learning program be advertised to all students and parents?** 8 out of the 9 schools in the district are on a balanced calendar where summer breaks last 6 weeks or less. Lighthouse Academy - Ottawa Juvenile Detention Center school has a summer break that is longer than 6 weeks. All students in the detention center will be required to attend the summer learning program will lasts 8 weeks, reducing the summer break to only 1 week at the end of June.

**Your summer program must shorten the summer break to six weeks or fewer. For example, if your summer break is 11 weeks, your summer program must run at least five weeks. Will your summer program shorten the summer break to six weeks or fewer?** Yes

**How many weeks will your summer learning program run?** 8

**What programs will students have access to if the waiver is approved? Please explain each program in detail.**

Students at the Lighthouse Academy - Ottawa Juvenile Detention Center will participate in intercession summer school with certificated teachers. The courses are identical to those offered during the regular school year. Students who complete high school courses will earn credit.

**What goals and objectives by grade span does the district intend to support if the waiver is approved? Please indicate the specific grade span for each goal/objective.**

Each student will be scheduled in the district-approved courses that are appropriate to their grade level. Students set goals with their assigned Advisory teacher for class completion. The objectives for each course are tied to the approved district curriculum. Students in grades 3-8 will be working on the goals/objectives for their grade-band, as outlined in the district curriculum, with the goal of preparation for the coming school year. Students in grades 9-12 will be scheduled to take courses they require for graduation, with a goal of credit recovery.

**What measures will the district use to gauge whether or not the goals and objectives are being met?**

The District course guides and rubrics for each class provides guidelines for if a student has mastered enough standards to complete the course. Standards grades are recorded by the teacher of record and communicated to the students. Credit will be awarded to students who complete high school courses.

**Explain how approval of the waiver will assist the district in efforts to mitigate the summer learning loss that students often experience.**

Students involved in the juvenile justice system are at great risk of falling behind in their learning. By providing summer learning for 8 out of the 9 weeks of summer break, students in grades 3-8 have an opportunity to learn essential skills before matriculating. Students in grades 9-12 are often behind in credits, lack mastery of essential skills, or both. The certificated teachers help the students to master the material before the new school year starts.

**Please select the school year this waiver will begin.**

2026-2027

**Is the waiver being requested for the entire ISD?**

This is not an ISD-wide application.