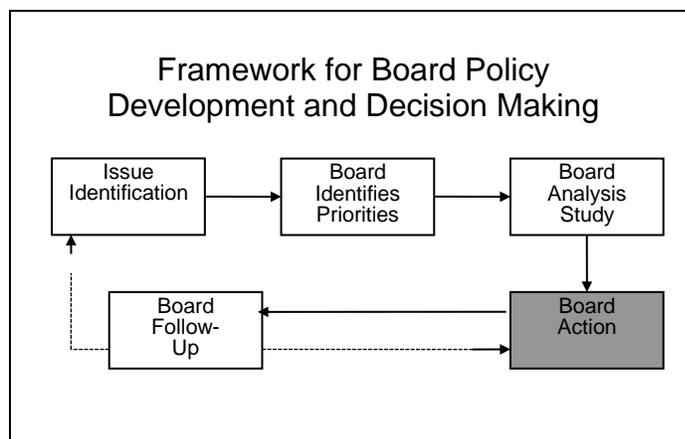


# Iowa State Board of Education

## Executive Summary

November 16, 2016



**Agenda Item:** Religious Groups Exempted from School Standards

**Iowa Goal:** All PK-12 students will achieve at a high level.

**State Board Role/Authority:** Iowa Code section 299.24 provides for an exemption from the compulsory education law and the educational standards law for members of established religious denominations which profess tenets that differ substantially from these laws.

**Presenter:** None (consent agenda)

**Attachments:** 1

**Recommendation:** It is recommended that the State Board approve the exemption renewal requests for the attached 60 religious groups.

**Background:** In the past, religious groups in Iowa are exempt from the compulsory education and school standards laws under Iowa Code section 299.24. A one-year renewal of the initial two-year exemption may be requested annually by each religious group desiring to do so. These renewal requests may be granted by the Director of Education with the approval of the State Board of Education.

Sixty religious groups have submitted renewal requests including an appropriate list of names, ages and post office addresses of children of compulsory age as required by Iowa Code section 299.24.

Each of these religious groups has complied with requests for information.

School	Denomination	Contact Person	Address	City, Zip	Public School	Enrollment
Bloomington School	Old Order Amish	Henry Yoder	25316 Elk Chapel Rd.	Lamoni, IA 50140	Lamoni	23
Brookside School	Old Order Amish	Norman Jay Miller	2066 520th St. SW	Kalona, IA 52247	Mid Prairie	27
Cedar Lane School	Old Order Amish	Ivan Joe Yoder	19887 Jade Ave.	Bloom field, IA 52537	Davis County	36
<b>Cedar River Mennonite Schools</b>	Old Order Mennonite	Lloyd Martin	1485 170th St.	Ionia, IA 50645	Charles City, New Hampton, Riceville, Osage, Howard-Winneshiek	
<i>East Lincoln</i>						7
<i>Cedar River</i>						22
<i>Deerfield</i>						29
<i>Sunny Meadow</i>						19
<i>Walnut Grove</i>						21
<i>Nature Valley</i>						12
<i>Countryside</i>						26
<i>Scenic Ridge</i>						27
<i>Jackson Woods</i>						20
<i>Little Wapsi</i>						61
<i>Timber View</i>						19
<i>Bridgewater</i>						17
Clearview School	Bloomfield Amish Church	Richard Mast	14726 220th St.	Bloomfield, IA 52535	Davis County	26
Cloverdale School	Old Order Amish	Raymond Yutzy	19198 160th St	Drakesville, IA 52552	Davis County	38
Dallas Center Christian School	Dunkard Brethren Church	James Meyers	26331 205th St.	Dallas Center, IA 50065	ADM, Dallas Center-Grimes	15
Dallas Center Christian School	Old Order River Brethren	Philip Funk	22018 T Ave.	Dallas Center, IA 50065	ADM, Dallas Center-Grimes, Perry	5
Drakesville East	Old Order Amish	Keith Keim	17348 Kelp Ave	Bloomfield, IA 52537	Davis County	28
Echo Ridge School	Old Order Amish	Paul Joseph	18596 Echo Ave	Drakesville, IA 52552	Davis County	19
Echo Vale School	Old Order Amish	Eli Bontrager	2702 480th St. SW	Iowa City, IA 52240	Mid Prairie	35

Echo Valley School	Northwood Old Order Amish	John Borntreger	5024 Nuthatch Ave.	Northwood, IA 50459	Northwood Kensett	12
Franklin Christian School	Leon Salem Mennonite	Norman Troyer	15346 US 69	Weldon, IA 50264	Central Decatur	14
Friendship School	Old Order Amish	Glen Yoder	19126 Jade Ave.	Bloom field, IA 52537	Davis County	28
Happy Hollow School	Old Order Amish	Freeman Schwartz	19699 Flora Ave	Bloom field, IA 52537	Davis County	30
Hickory Grove School	Old Order Amish	Andrew Kauffman	1701 150th St.	Hazleton, IA 50641	Oelwein	29
Hidden Valley School	Old Order Amish	Dan Borntreger	23951 Harvest Rd.	Edgewood, IA 52042	Edgewood-Colesburg	12
Hilton Ridge School	Old Order Amish	Dan Borntreger	23951 Harvest Rd.	Edgewood, IA 52042	Edgewood-Colesburg	12
Holdeman School	Church of God in Christ Mennonite	Larry Nightingale	29512 Hwy 2	Pulaski, IA 52584	Davis County	14
Limestone View School	Old Order Amish	Rudy Gingerich	1214 Grant Ave.	Hazleton, IA 50641	Oelwein	25
Little Cedar Mennonite School	Little Cedar Mennonite Church	Mervin Beechy	1247 430th St	St. Ansgar, IA 50472	Osage/St. Ansgar	18
Meadow Lawn School	Old Order Amish	Dan Borntreger	23951 Harvest Rd.	Edgewood, IA 52042	Edgewood-Colesburg	14
Meadowlane School	Old Order Amish	Mark Yoder	15910 240th St.	Bloom field, IA 52537	Davis County	27
Meadowview School	Old Order Amish	Paul Yoder	907 N. Sunset Dr.	Milton, IA 52570	Van Buren	22
North Prairie School	Old Order Amish	Leslie High	14179 300th St	Cantril, IA 52542	Van Buren	38
Oak Grove School	Old Order Amish	Eli Petersheim	3151 470th Street	McIntire, IA 50455	Riceville	19
Pine Grove School	Holdeman Mennonite	Arnold Zimmerman	17606 35th St.	Lime Springs, IA	Howard-Winneshiek and Riceville	44
Plain View School	Old Order Amish	Eli Petersheim	3151 470th Street	McIntire, IA 50455	Riceville	21
Plain View School	Old Order Amish	Paul Yoder	907 Sunset Dr.	Milton, IA 52570	Van Buren	20
Plain View School	Amish	Nelson Nisley	41383 St Hwy 14	Chariton, IA 50049	Chariton	11
Plain View School	Old Order Amish	Dan Borntreger	23951 Harvest Rd.	Edgewood, IA 52042	Edgewood-Colesburg	15
Pleasant Hill Shool	Old Order Amish	Daniel Yutzy	19707 Ice Ave	Bloomfield, IA 52537	Davis County	23
Pleasant Valley School	Old Order Amish	Harvey Kuhns	17549 Husky Tr.	Bloom field, IA 52537	Davis County	29

Pleasant Valley School	Old Order Amish	Dan Borntreger	23951 Harvest Rd.	Edgewood, IA 52042	Edgewood-Colesburg	16
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Red Oak Country School	Church of God in Christ Mennonite	Jonathon Koehn	2392 Evergreen Ave	Red Oak, IA 51566	Red Oak, Stanton, Essex	22
Rock Island School	Old Order Amish	Kenneth Yoder	15451 175th St.	Drakesville, IA 52552	Davis County	18
Roscoe School	Old Order Amish	Paul Yoder	907 Sunset Dr.	Milton, IA 52570	Van Buren	21
Scenic View Christian School	Scenic View Congregation	Edmund Koehn	21203 Neon Rd.	West Union, IA 52175	North Fayette, Sumner-Fredricksburg, West Central	27
Sharon Bethel School	Sharon Bethel Amish Mennonite	Matt Petersheim	1831 Johnson Washington	Kalona, IA 52247	Mid-Prairie	48
Singing Prairie School	Old Order Amish	Robert Yoder	19467 Driftwood Blvd.	Bloomfield, IA 52537	Davis County	24
Stringtown School	Old Order Amish	Henry Yoder	25316 Elk Chapel Rd.	Lamoni, IA 50140	Lamoni	22
Sunny Ridge	Amish	Mose Borntreger	2049 120th Ave.	Murray, IA 50174	Murray	29
Sunrise Ridge School	Old Order Amish	Harley Yoder	20564 435th St.	Chariton, IA 50049	Chariton	21
Timber View School	Old Order Amish	Paul Troyer	3161 170th Ave.	Redding, IA 50860	Mt. Ayr	34
Valley View School	Old Order Amish	Eli Petersheim	3151 470th Street	McIntire, IA 50455	Riceville	13
Walnut Grove	Middle Amish	David Yutzy	19247 Harvest	Bloomfield, IA 52537	Davis County	31
Waneta School	Old Order Amish	Paul Yoder	907 Sunset Dr.	Milton, IA 52570	Davis County	14
Waspi Valley School	Old Order Amish	Eli Petersheim	3151 470th Street	McIntire, IA 50455	Riceville	13
<b>Total number of schools = 60</b>					<b>Total number of students</b>	<b>1376</b>