

21.4 Appendix D — Justification for Good Cause Extension

Factors to consider to justify extension:

Has the school developed and followed a reasonable remediation plan

- Why is an extension necessary?
- Has progress been reasonable given the circumstances?
- Is there evidence that the remediation plan is likely to succeed in a defined time period?
- Are there opportunities to improve the remediation process?

Impact of the deficiencies on student achievement or safety

- Review five year trends associated with the standard(s) in question; are they negative, positive, or stable?
- Review outcomes assessment data to identify declining performance attributable to deficiencies identified

Is the evidence adequate to make an informed decision?

- Is additional or more definitive evidence needed?
- Is a focused site visit necessary to validate the evidence?

Examples of past extension include:

- Construction and major renovation projects where reasonable progress has been demonstrated and project completion is anticipated within a short period (less than a year).
- Outcomes assessment planning and implementation have shown good improvement, but curricular changes based on collection and analysis remain in progress.