

United Independent School District AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC:	Approval of	<u> Maximum Class Size </u>	Waiver for Sp	oring 2008	8 Semester	
SUBMITTE	D BY:	Mrs. Gloria Rendon		_OF: <i>A</i>	Asst. to the Supering	tendent
APPROVED	FOR TRANS	MITTAL TO SCHOO	OL BOARD:			
DATE ASSI	GNED FOR B	OARD CONSIDERA	TION:	J	January 23, 2008	
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Request for Maximum Class Size Waiver **Texas Education Agency**

Spring Semester (2007-2008 School Year)

Acceptable	Current District	Accountability Kating
240 - 903	County-District Number	
District Name: United Independent School District	201 Lindenwood Drive	Laredo, TX 78045
District Name:	Address:	

This form is also available on-line at http://www.tea.state.tx.us/taa/comm121207-a1.doc. Completed forms must be submitted in hard copy to the Texas Education Agency, State Waiver Unit, 1701 North Congress Avenue, Austin, TX 78701-1494 or Fax: 512-475-3666. (This report is authorized under TEC

(This amount should be entered only one time even though additional sheets may be needed for campus information.) Total Number of District Sections That Exceed 22:1 Class Size Ratio: 13

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District Totals.								13	
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Instructions

surveys for Grades K-4, enter the campus name and campus number for each campus in which the class size ratio exceeds 22.1. Enter the total number of Each district is to conduct a class enrollment survey of Kindergarten through Grade Four (K-4) no later than January 24, 2008. Based on class enrollment sections and the reason(s) for the waiver request. Class size limits do not apply to physical education or fine arts classes.

local board of trustees. The plan must include the name(s) of campus(es), campus rating, grade(s), and number of sections exceeding a 22:1 The waiver request must be submitted by February 22, 2008, and must include a current compliance plan that has been approved by the class size ratio; steps to be taken to bring the district into compliance; timeline for completion; any new efforts/progress toward compliance (if plan was previously submitted); and specific reasons that noncompliance must be addressed. In addition, districts that request a waiver due to an inability to employ teachers must document efforts to recruit and hire staff.

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		For Against Abstain _	Board Vote	Email: <u>grendon@uisd.net</u>	
January 23, 2008	Date	January 23, 2008	Date of Board Approval	(956) 728-8691	Fax Number
	Signature of Superintendent		Signature of Board President	(956) 473-6243	Telephone Number
Roberto J. Santos	Type Name of Superintendent	☐ Dr. ⋈ Mr. ☐ Mrs. ☐ Ms. John M. Brige	Type Name of Board President	Gloria S. Rendon	Type Name of Contact Person

the is not necessary to submit this form unless a waiver is needed.



United Independent School District Compliance Plan Spring 2008

United Independent School District continues to experience tremendous student enrollment growth; therefore, the district persists in its recruiting efforts, construction of additional campuses, and the constant evaluation of boundaries and student demographics. The District will make all reasonable attempts by the start of the 2008-2009 to assure that these campuses do not require a waiver come spring 2008.

Nye Elementary (240-903-103) Acceptable:

2 sections in 1st grade over the 22:1 ratio

This campus opened a new building in the fall 2007 and did not anticipate the growth in 1st grade. This campus can accommodate additional teachers and students; so the district will work closely with the demographer in order to plan accordingly.

Gutierrez Elementary (240-903-114) Acceptable:

1 section in 4th grade over the 22:1 ratio

The district has taken the following measures to assure that this campus is in compliance with class size requirements:

- the district will continue to work closely with the district's demographer to review district wide growth to plan accordingly;
- this campus has a unique situation due to the reason that this campus is one of two Gifted and Talented Magnet Schools. Those Gifted and Talented students in grades 3-5 who choose to attend this campus are homogenously grouped. The district is currently reviewing its Gifted and Talented Program.

Colonel Santos Benavides Elementary (240-903-122) Acceptable:

3 sections in 2nd grade over the 22:1 ratio

The district has taken the following measures to assure that this campus is in compliance with class size requirements:

- the district will continue to work closely with the district's demographer to review district wide growth to plan accordingly;
- this campus' enrollment will decrease with the opening of a new elementary campus scheduled to open for the 2007-2008 (opening has been pushed back one year due to factors beyond the district's control);

Zaffirini Elementary (240-903-124) Acceptable:

1 section in 1st grade over the 22:1 ratio

The district has taken the following measures to assure that this campus is in compliance with class size requirements:

- the district will continue to work closely with the district's demographer to review district wide growth to plan accordingly;
- the district will relocate portable buildings to campuses with over-projected enrollments;
- this campus' enrollment will decrease with the opening of a new elementary campus scheduled to open for the 2007-2008 (opening has been pushed back one year due to factors beyond the district's control);

Muller Elementary (240-903-126) Acceptable:

5 sections in 1st grade over the 22:1 ratio

The district has taken the following measures to assure that this campus is in compliance with class size requirements:

- the district will continue to work closely with the district's demographer to review district wide growth to plan accordingly;
- the district will relocate portable buildings to campuses with over-projected enrollments;

Centeno Elementary (240-903-129) Acceptable:

1 section in 1st grade over the 22:1 ratio

The district has taken the following measures to assure that this campus is in compliance with class size requirements:

- the district will continue to work closely with the district's demographer to review district wide growth to plan accordingly;
- the district will relocate portable buildings to campuses with over-projected enrollments;

Other steps that the district has taken include:

- In the fall of 2003, the voters of the District approved a \$142 million Bond package. Four additional elementary schools have been constructed and are now serving students. Construction of one additional campus for the 2008-2009 school year is in progress.
- Continue collaborative efforts with local educational institutions to graduate qualified paraprofessional staff members as teachers.
- The district has established a "Tomorrow's Teachers" Project. This project addresses the need
 for qualified teachers in all areas of education and plans to meet the challenge by "growing our
 own" teachers from the talented pool of United I.S.D. students.
- The District is currently meeting with a citizen's group consisting of over 100 constituents to review the district's growth and how to best deal with it. The committee is looking at the possibility of a new bond election.

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