

## **Board Action Required X**

No Action Required

To: Coppell ISD Board of Trustees

From: Sid Grant

Date: September 15, 2014

cc: Dr. Mike Waldrip, Marilyn Denison, Kelly Penny, Brad Hunt, Tracey Wallace

Re: 2014-15 TEA Class Size Waivers

As required by the Texas Education Code §25.112, we are required to submit a "Board approved" class size waiver request to the Texas Education Agency for any class sections in grades K-4 that exceed the state allowable class size limit of 22:1 "no later than the 30<sup>th</sup> day after the first day of the identified twelve week period."

Given this requirement, we must file a request with TEA for only five (5) class section waivers, as compared to forty-nine (49) waivers at this time last year. The boundary realignment, opening of a new campus, and adding additional elementary teachers all contributed to significantly reducing our class sizes at the elementary level district-wide.

The waivers requested include three for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, one for 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, and one for 4<sup>th</sup> grade. All of our Kindergarten and 1st grade class sections are at or below 22:1.

After the waiver request is approved by TEA, TEC §25.113 requires that we provide written notice of the granted exception to the parent of each student affected by the exception.

**Recommendation:** That the Coppell ISD Board of Trustees approve the Texas Education

Agency "Request for Maximum Class Size Exception" as required by the Texas Education Code §25.112 at the September 22, 2014, board

meeting.