



DIVISION OF ELEMENTARY & SECONDARY EDUCATION

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Standards for Accreditation 1-Year Waiver Request

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Waiver Topic: Kindergarten Class Size Standard: 1-A.6

Rationale for Waiver:

The Earle School District is requesting a one-year waiver from the Standards for Accreditation for kindergarten class size. There are currently 45 kindergarten students in two classroom. Each class has a half-time paraprofessional which allows for 22 students in each room. At this time, we do not believe that it would be beneficial to separate the students and create another classroom as students have bonded with their peers and teachers and are making progress. The teachers have been consulted and are in agreement with this request. Both teachers are experienced and have been trained in RISE and Phonics First. The waiver would not be needed next year due to the larger class sizes in first grade.

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