February 7, 2022

The Sheridan School District is seeking the approval of a waiver under Ark. Code Ann. 6-15-202(b)(2)(A) of Standard for Accreditation 1-A.5, which requires that "Each public school district shall comply with the laws of the State of Arkansas and the rules of the Division regarding class size and teaching load."

The Sheridan School District is requesting this waiver for an override of the Standards for Accreditation exceptions on the overage for class size for LEA 2705026 East End Middle School for course 366560 section 2 (General Music Grade 6) and course 366510 section 2 (Art Grade 6).

The Sheridan School District has developed an overage in the 6th grade Music and Art wheel class. We are currently over the CCM class size of 28 by three students. Included in the class with the overage are three special needs students. These 3 special needs students are accompanied to the class with a paraprofessional. We are doing everything possible to take the applicable steps to provide appropriate accommodations for our special needs population.

We respectfully ask to be granted this waiver for an override of this exception for the 2021-2022 school year. The district is actively preparing for adjustments to our master schedule and staff for the upcoming school year.

Respectfully submitted,

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Interim Superintendent