

Approval of TEA Class Size Waiver Exemption

October 9, 2012

SUMMARY:

This item requests approval to apply for a maximum class size exemption waiver from the Texas Education Agency as required by Texas Education Code (TEA) 25.112 for Kindergarten through fourth grade.

BOARD GOAL: Vision - In pursuit of excellence, the district will remain committed to providing equitable and outstanding opportunities for every student on every campus.

PREVIOUS BOARD ACTION:

None

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

None

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:

None

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:

None

BENEFIT OF ACTION:

- Passage will allow a class size enrollment survey for Kindergarten through Grade 4 no later than September.
- Passage will provide a survey of any class for Grades K-4 in Denton IS that exceeds the allowable class size limit of 22:1.
- Passage will permit the submission of a class size waiver request form and a copy of a current compliance plan that has been approved by the local board of trustees.

PROCEDURAL AND REPORTING IMPLICATIONS:

TEA will process the formal request as approved by the DISD board of trustees.

PUBLIC COMMENT RECEIVED:

None

ALTERNATIVES:

Add additional classrooms and teachers to alleviate maximum class size

OTHER COMMENTS:

None

SUPERINTENDENT'S RECOMMENDATION:

The Superintendent asks the Board's approval for a maximum class size exemption waiver from the Texas Education Agency.

STAFF PERSONS RESPONSIBLE:

Robert Bostic, Assistant Superintendent for Academic Programs

ATTACHMENT:

Attachment #1: Class size summary report by campus and by section

APPROVAL:

Signature of Staff Member Proposing Recommendation: _____

Signature of Divisional Assistant Superintendent: _____

Signature of Superintendent: _____