



UNITED INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT

AGENDA ACTION ITEM

TOPIC: Approval of Class Size Waivers for the 2019-2020 School Year

SUBMITTED BY: Gloria S. Rendon **OF:** Office of the Superintendent

APPROVED FOR TRANSMITTAL TO SCHOOL BOARD: _____

DATE ASSIGNED FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION: September 17, 2019

RECOMMENDATION:

A district must submit a request for a class size exception for any classrooms in kindergarten - fourth grade that exceed the 22 students class size limit ([Texas Education Code §25.112](#)). The district's board of trustees must approve this request within 30 days after the class size was exceeded.

<u>Campus</u>	<u>Number of Waivers/Grade</u>			
Borchers	1 (1st)			
Bonnie Garcia	2 (1st)	2 (2nd)		
Colonel Santos Benavides	1 (1st)	2 (3rd)		
Matias De Llano	2 (k)			
Gutierrez	3 (3rd)			
Muller	5 (1st)			
Newman	2 (1st)			
Nye	1 (3rd)			
Salinas	2(k)	1 (1st)	2 (3rd)	

Total: **26**

RATIONALE:

BUDGETARY INFORMATION:

BOARD POLICY REFERENCE AND COMPLIANCE:



United Independent School District Compliance Plan School Year 2019-2020

United Independent School District continues to experience student enrollment growth; therefore, the district persists in its recruiting efforts of highly qualified teachers, constant evaluation of boundaries, review of building permits and student demographics. The District will continue to cap “high growth” campuses that exceed the 22:1 ratio.

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The district has taken the following measures to assure that these campuses are 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;
- District staff and demographer are currently reviewing potential growth affecting our schools. Changes to boundaries will be made based on these findings.
- The district has established a “Tomorrow’s Teachers” Program. This program 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 reviews budget and staffing allocations to plan accordingly.
- The district continues to build new campuses. Elementary 30 is scheduled to open in August 2021 to relieve some overcrowded schools.
- The District pays the fees for the Bilingual/ESL assessment and certification for those teachers who test.
- The District has met with University staff to express concerns regarding teacher candidates for Bilingual/ESL and have collaborated to offer review sessions to employees who will be testing.
- Our Department of Human Resources continues to take part in job fairs across the state.

WAIVER HISTORY

CAMPUS	2017-2018	2018-2019	2019-2020
ARNDT	2 (4th)	4 (K)	
CLARK		3 (K)	
COL. SANTOS			1 (1st), 2 (3rd)
CUELLAR		2 (4th)	
FINLEY		2 (K)	
GUTIERREZ			3 (3rd)
JUAREZ			
KAZEN		3(1st)	
KENNEDY	2 (K)		
DELLANO	1 (k), 1 (4th)		2 (k)
MULLER	2(1st)		5 (1st)
NEWMAN			2 (1st)
NYE			1 (3rd)
PEREZ			
PRADA		4 (K)	
ROOSEVELT	1 (3rd)	4 (1st)	
RUIZ	1 (1st)	1 (1st)	
SALINAS	4 (kinder)	1 (1st)	2(K), 1 (1st), 2(3rd)
TRAUTMANN		2(K), 1 (3rd), 2 (4th)	
ZAFFIRINI	2 (kinder)	3(K)	
BORCHERS			
GARCIA	1(1st), 4(2nd)		1 (1st)
CENTENO		1 (K), 5 (1st)	2(1st), 2 (2nd)
MALAKOFF	1 (2nd) -1 (1st)		
KILLAM	4(1st), 3 (3rd), 2(4th)	2(1st), 2 (4th)	
FASKEN			
VETERANS			
San Isidro		2 (2nd)	
FREEDOM		2 (1st)	
Total	29 (3) added 11/15/17	46	26