

Action Item

Date: October 21, 2024 **Division**: Human Resources

Subject: Class Size Waivers

Background Information:

• The Texas Education Agency requires school districts to conduct a class size enrollment survey for prekindergarten through fourth grade and submit a request for exception for classrooms that exceed the class size of 22 students per teacher.

- Results of the survey indicate that the district has 16 campuses with 33 classrooms exceeding 22 students per class.
- If approved, the campus will provide the required written notice of the state granted exception to parents.
- The increase in the number of waivers requested is in large part due to the teacher shortages across the State of Texas and the country.
- Historical summary of class size waivers:

| YEAR | NUMBER OF CLASS SIZE WAIVERS |
|-----------|---|
| 2013-2014 | 62 |
| 2014-2015 | 74 |
| 2015-2016 | 18 |
| 2016-2017 | 4 |
| 2017-2018 | 6 |
| 2018-2019 | 12 |
| 2019-2020 | 29 |
| 2020-2021 | 121 |
| | *Due to virtual classes offered due to COVID-19 |
| 2021-2022 | 13 |
| 2022-2023 | 25 |
| 2023-2024 | 29 |

Administrative Consideration:

• There are a total of 33 waivers being requested for this school year. Each campus that a waiver is being requested for is listed below:

| SCHOOL | GRADE | CLASS NUMBERS |
|----------------|----------|---------------|
| Camey | 1st | 24 |
| | 1st | 25 |
| | 4th | 24 |
| | 4th | 24 |
| | | |
| Peter's Colony | Dual 2nd | 24 |
| | Dual 2nd | 26 |
| | | |
| Indian Creek | 1st | 23 |
| | 1st | 23 |
| | | |
| McAuliffe | 3rd | 23 |
| | | |
| Garden Ridge | 3rd | 23 |
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| Morningside | KN | 23 |
| | | |
| Heritage | 2nd | 23 |
| | 2nd | 23 |
| | | |
| Parkway | Dual KN | 23 |
| | | |
| Prairie Trail | 4th | 23 |
| | | |
| Valley Ridge | 2nd | 23 |
| | 3rd | 23 |
| | 3rd | 23 |
| | | |
| Southridge | Dual K | 23 |
| | Dual K | 23 |
| | Dual K | 24 |

| | Dual 2nd | 24 |
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| | Dual 2nd | 24 |
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| Homestead | 1st | 23 |
| | 1st | 23 |
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| Rockbrook | 2nd | 23 |
| | 2nd | 23 |
| | 2nd | 23 |
| | | |
| Independence | 3rd | 23 |
| | 3rd | 23 |
| | | |
| Lewisville | Dual 1st | 23 |
| | Dual 1st | 23 |
| | | |
| Memorial | KN | 23 |
| Total | 33 | |

Recommendations:

Approve class size waivers.

Timeline/Report:

- If approved, the campus will provide the required written notice to the state granted exception to parents no later than 31 days from the approval date.
- Subsequent classrooms exceeding the class size limit of 22 students will not require further
 action by the Board of Trustees, but all guidelines for submission and parent notification will
 be followed. If there are any further classes requiring waivers, that information will be
 provided to Trustees throughout the year.