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Via Email and USPS

April 20, 2018

Diane Elder, Director of Schools
Pickett County Schools
141 Skyline Drive
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Re: Waiver Request

Dear Diane Elder:

I am in receipt of your April 20, 2018 email requesting a waiver for Pickett County Schools of State Board of Education Rule 0520-01-03-.07(2), requiring schools to employ a certain number of library information specialists per school who hold endorsements as library information specialists.

Pursuant to my authority under T.C.A. §49-1-201(d), your waiver request is hereby granted for one year.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Candice McQueen".

Candice McQueen
Commissioner

Nikkie Kiene

To: Christy Ballard
Subject: RE: waiver

From: Diane Elder [mailto:diane.elder@pickettk12.net]
Sent: Friday, April 20, 2018 2:18 PM
To: Candice McQueen <Candice.McQueen@tn.gov>
Cc: Christy Ballard <Christy.Ballard@tn.gov>
Subject: waiver

Commissioner McQueen,

On behalf of Pickett County Schools, I am requesting a waiver of State Board of Education Rule 0520-01-03.07(2), requiring schools to employ a certain number of library information specialists per school who hold endorsements as library information specialists. It is my opinion that the role of the library has changed in the past few years. With the additional challenges of RTI, our students would be better served with a person who can help teachers with Literacy Interventions and supplemental enrichment materials to be used in the library and in the regular classroom. I am requesting the flexibility to retain a teacher within our system in the best interest of our schools and students and not be limited by the requirement of a licensed/certified librarian.

Please consider this an official request for a waiver from the State Board Rule stated. We believe this is the best for the students in Pickett County.

Regards,

Diane

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