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COMMISSIONER

Via Electronic Mail

September 18, 2025

Jason Golden, Director of Schools Williamson County Schools 1320 W. Main, Suite 202 Franklin, TN 37064 jasong@wcs.edu

Dear Director Golden:

I am in receipt of your waiver request of the class size average found in Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-104 for grades K-3 classes at Longview Elementary School, Trinity Elementary School, and Jordan Elementary School in Williamson County Schools.

The commissioner's waiver authority under Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-201(d) is limited by Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-104(a), which states that "neither the commissioner nor the state board of education shall grant waivers from the maximum class sizes established in this section."

With the understanding that none of the grades K-3 classes at Longview Elementary School, Trinity Elementary School and Jordan Elementary School will exceed the maximum number of students per class specified in the above referenced law, your request for a waiver of the class size average is hereby granted for the remainder of the 2025-26 school year.

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Please do not hesitate to call me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Lizzette Reynolds Commissioner

Local Education Agency Waiver Request

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Waivers may **not** be granted by the commissioner for regulatory or statutory requirements related to:

- (A) Federal and state civil rights;
- (B) Federal, state and local health and safety;
- (C) Federal and state public records;
- (D) Immunizations;
- (E) Possession of weapons on school grounds;
- (F) Background checks and fingerprinting of personnel;
- (G) Federal and state special education services;
- (H) Student due process;
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- (J) Federal and state student assessment and accountability;
- (K) Open meetings;
- (L) Educators' due process rights;
- (M) Reductions in teachers' salaries;
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- (O) Licensure of employees.

Williamson County Schools School Information (if applicable): School Name: Longview Elementary School Street: 2929 Commonwealth Drive City: Spring Hill Zip Code: 37174

TCA 49-1-104 Explanation of how the statute(s) and/or state board rule(s) inhibits or hinders the local education agency's ability to meet its goals or comply with its mission: Longview Elementary School(K-5) has an average enrollment of 20.69 for their K-3 students per teachers. Longview Elementary School will adhere to the maximum class size standards at all times. Expected duration of the condition necessitating this waiver request: Until the end of the 2025-2026 school year. Director of Schools (Signature) Jason Golden

Please list the statute(s) and/or state board rule(s) for which waiver is being requested:

_{Date} 9/3/2025

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Williamson County Schools School Information (if applicable): School Name: Trinity Elementary School Street: 4410 Murfreesboro Road City: Franklin Zip Code: 37067

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TCA 49-1-104
Explanation of how the statute(s) and/or state board rule(s) inhibits or hinders the local education agency's ability to meet its goals or comply with its mission:
Trinity Elementary School(K-5) has an average enrollment of 20.79 for their K-3 students per teachers. Trinity Elementary School will adhere to the maximum class size standards at all times.
Expected duration of the condition necessitating this waiver request:
Until the end of the 2025-2026 school year.
Director of Schools (Signature)
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Print Name Jason Golden

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Local Education Agency:		
Williamson County Schools		
School Information (if applicable):		
School Name: Jordan Elementary School		
Street: 9714 Split Log Road		
City: Brentwood	Zip Code: <u>37027</u>	

Please list the statute(s) and/or state board rule(s) for which waiver is being requested: TCA 49-1-104 Explanation of how the statute(s) and/or state board rule(s) inhibits or hinders the local education agency's ability to meet its goals or comply with its mission: Jordan Elementary School(K-5) has an average enrollment of 20.94 for their K-3 students per teachers. Jordan Elementary School will adhere to the maximum class size standards at all times. Expected duration of the condition necessitating this waiver request: Until the end of the 2025-2026 school year. **Director of Schools (Signature)**

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