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Dr. William Steven Hill, Superintendent
Pender County Schools
925 Penderlea Hwy
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Via email: steven_hill@pender.k12.nc.us

Dear Dr. Hill:

We acknowledge receipt of the 2020-2021 Individual Class Size Waiver Request(s) received from Pender County Schools for Topsail Elementary.

G.S. 115C-301(g) prohibits the State Board of Education from granting waivers for Kindergarten through third-grade individual class size overages except under the following circumstances:

- a) Emergencies, or acts of God that impact the availability of classroom space or facilities;
- b) An unanticipated increase in student population of an individual school in excess of two percent (2%) of the average daily membership of that school;
- c) Organizational problems in geographically isolated local school administrative units in which the average daily membership is less than one and one-half per square mile;
- d) Classes organized for a solitary curricular area; or
- e) A charter school closure.

Pender County Schools requested waivers for the following school based on emergencies or acts of God that impact the availability of classroom space or facilities as stated above. The request for class size waivers meets the criteria as set out by law and are **approved**. These waivers apply only to the 2020-21 school year.

Topsail Elementary has 1 kindergarten class with 22 students (over by 1).

Should you have any questions, please contact the Division of School Business, Student Accounting at studentaccounting@dpi.nc.gov.

Sincerely,
DocuSigned by:

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