



# PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF NORTH CAROLINA

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Dr. Tony Baldwin, Superintendent  
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Dear Dr. Baldwin:

We acknowledge receipt of the 2021-2022 Individual Class Size Waiver Request(s) received from Buncombe County Schools for Glen Arden 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.

Buncombe County Schools requested waivers for the following school based on an unanticipated increase in student population of an individual school in excess of two percent (2%) of the average daily membership of that school. The request for class size waivers meets the criteria as set out by law and are **approved**. These waivers apply only to the 2021-22 school year.

Glen Arden Elementary has 3 first grade classes with 20 students (over by 1).

Should you have any questions, please contact the Division of School Business, Student Accounting at [studentaccounting@dpi.nc.gov](mailto:studentaccounting@dpi.nc.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature of Catherine Truitt in black ink.  
Catherine Truitt

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