

## PUBLIC SCHOOLS OF NORTH CAROLINA

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Via email: ben.thigpen@jonesnc.net

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Dr. Ben Thigpen, Superintendent Jones County Schools 320 West Jones Street Trenton, NC 28585

Dear Dr. Thigpen:

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

Jones 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. Pursuant to the SBE and School Attendance and Student Accounting Manual, the request for class size waivers is **denied** due to non-compliance of LEA-wide average for all grades. The LEA-wide average for second grade is 18.

Maysville Elementary has 1 first grade class with 20 students (over by 1).

Should you have any questions, please contact the Division of School Business, Student Accounting at <a href="mailto:studentaccounting@dpi.nc.gov">studentaccounting@dpi.nc.gov</a>.

Sincerely,

Catherine Truitt

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