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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION | Catherine Truitt, *Superintendent of Public Instruction*

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January 4, 2023

Dr. Keith Parker, Superintendent
Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public Schools
PO Box 2247
Elizabeth City, NC 27906-2247

Via email: kparker@ecpps.k12.nc.us

Dear Dr. Keith Parker:

We acknowledge receipt of the 2022-2023 Individual Class Size Waiver Request(s) received from Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public Schools for JC Sawyer 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.

Elizabeth City-Pasquotank Public 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. Pursuant to the SBE and School Attendance and Student Accounting Manual, the request for class size waivers is **denied** as the reasons included in the waiver are not applicable to an emergency or act of God.

JC Sawyer Elementary has 2 individual first grade classes with 20 students (over by 1).

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

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Catherine Truitt".

Catherine Truitt

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Dr. Keith Parker, Superintendent

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December 12, 2022

c: Shelby Armentrout