

2026-2027 Application for Maximum Class Size Exception for elementary schools.

1. Background:

A district may submit a request for a class size exemption for any classroom prekindergarten through fourth grade that exceeds the 22-student class size limit based on Texas Education Code §25.112. Our current District of Innovation Plan (DOI) provides our district the flexibility to increase this ratio to 23 to 1 in these grade levels. Currently, 5 elementary schools have classes that exceed the 23 to 1 ratio, requiring the district to submit class size exemption waivers to the Texas Education Agency (TEA) and notify parents by specifying the class for which an exception from the limit is granted. Current elementary campuses with classrooms exceeding the 23-to-1 ratio include Bob Hope, Indian Creek, Juan Alvarado, Southwest Elementary, and Spicewood Park.

2. Process:

Campus enrollment reports available through our student information system were used to determine which prekindergarten through fourth grade classes in the district have exceeded the 23-to-1 ratio. Pupil Services and Human Resources have made contact with each principal to develop a plan for leveling classrooms, reassigning teachers, and planning for continuous enrollment potential to ensure all measures will be taken prior to the waiver. These departments will continue to monitor class sizes and ensure quick resolution to reduce the student-to-teacher ratio as quickly as possible.

3. Fiscal Impact:

NA.

4. Recommendation:

Item of Information.

5. Required:

None.