

SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT OF PLAN TO COMPLY WITH NRS 388.700-388.725
REDUCTION OF PUPIL-TEACHER RATIO IN CERTAIN CLASSES

Fiscal Year 2017

PART B1

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First Quarter: July 1 – September 30 Due: November 1, 2016
Second Quarter: October 1 – December 31 Due: February 1, 2017
Third Quarter: January 1 – March 31 Due: May 1, 2017
Fourth Quarter: April 1 – June 30 Due: August 1, 2017

QUARTER SUBMITTED: 4

SCHOOL DISTRICT: Nye County School District

AUTHORIZED CONTACT PERSON: Evangelyn Visser Associate Superintendent
Name Title

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 775-727-7743

DATE SUBMITTED: 8/1/2017

Has the plan changed from the Projected Plan? () Yes (X) No

If Yes, Submit new plan.

Is there a change in the Variances being submitted (more/less)? (X) Yes () No

Please attach additional Variances.

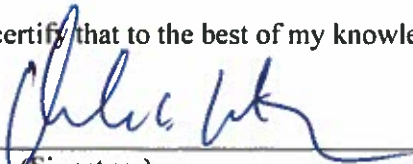
- Hafen Elementary School

Please list Variances to be removed (School and Grade).

- N/A

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this is correct.

 7/20/2017, District Superintendent
(Signature) (Date)

REQUEST FOR VARIANCE FROM CLASS-SIZE REQUIREMENTS FY17

Alternative

Nye County School District requests that the Nevada State Board of Education grant a variance from the limitation of pupils per licensed teacher in school Hafen Elementary :

	School Ratio	Alternative
Grade One	<u>22.33:1</u>	22:1
Grade Two	<u> </u>	22:1
Grade Three	<u> </u>	22:1
Grade Four	<u>30:1</u>	25:1
Grade Five	<u>27.33:1</u>	25:1
Grade Six	<u> </u>	25:1

Star Rating	1	ELL %	5.8%
FRL %	68.18%		

Facility Limitations: Yes No

This site has 6 available modular classrooms, which would require some maintenance to be classroom ready.

Difficulty in Hiring Teacher: Yes No

The NCSD has had difficulty hiring and retaining qualified teachers for the past few years, due to a limited budget, lack of qualified applicants and response to employment in rural areas.

Funding Limitations: Yes No

The NCSD has faced moderate budget limitations for the past few years, making it difficult to hire and retain qualified certified staff.

Projected Enrollment Growth:

Not foreseen.

Other:

Detailed School Level Plan to Reduce Student-to-Teacher Ratios (Including Timeframes):

The district actively monitors student enrollment throughout the course of the year. In cases where student growth results in the need for additional teachers and other classroom support, allocations are provided to schools when fiscally possible through re-allocations or new positions. The Principal continues to actively monitor school-zone variance requests and denies any that would cause classrooms to further exceed required class sizes. A full-time Learning Strategist was funded by Title I / FOCUS funding for the 2015-2016 school year for Teacher Coaching, intervention through data tracking and analysis and ICAT implementation. One full-time teacher was allocated for the 2015-2016 school year from a remote rural community with declining enrollment. This FTE allotment was moved from 4th Grade to 5th Grade for the 2016-2017 school year to stabilize class sizes. In addition, another 2nd Grade teacher and 3rd Grade teacher were hired through CSR funds provided by the state for the 2016-17 school year only. Volunteers were utilized for classroom assistance on an average of 101.49 hours per month during the 2015-2016 school year. Eighty percent of these hours were directly dedicated to Reading and Math intervention. The site continues to attempt to recruit volunteers through newsletters, school publications and their website.

ADD ADDITIONAL LINES IF NEEDED



Signature, District Superintendent of Schools

7/20/2017
Date

State Board Approved Yes No Date _____