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COMMISSIONER

Via Electronic Mail

August 25, 2022

Dr. Cathy Beck, Director of Schools
Cheatham County Schools
102 Elizabeth Street
Ashland City, TN 37015

Re: Waiver for Maximum Time in Transit

Dear Director Beck:

I am in receipt of your August 8, 2022 waiver request of the maximum time in transit found in Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2105 due to the need to transport students to specialized schools in Nashville, Tennessee.

Your waiver request for maximum time in transit is granted for the 2022-23 school year upon the condition that no student is in transit for longer than 110 minutes.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have further questions.

Sincerely,

Dr. Penny Schwinn
Commissioner



Tennessee Department of Education – Office of The Commissioner

710 James Robertson Parkway - Andrew Johnson Tower, 9th Floor - Nashville, TN 37243

Local Education Agency Waiver Request

Pursuant to Tennessee Code Annotated § 49-1-201(d), upon application by the local education agency for one (1) or more of its schools, the commissioner of education may waive any state board rule or statute that inhibits or hinders the LEA's ability to meet its goals or comply with its mission. Please submit completed forms to Commissioner.Schwinn@tn.gov. Following review by the commissioner, the district will be notified in writing if the waiver request is approved or denied. Unless otherwise stated, all waivers granted by the commissioner shall be granted for one year terms.

Waivers may **not** be granted by the commissioner for regulatory or statutory requirements related to:

- (A) Federal and state civil rights;
- (B) Federal, state and local health and safety;
- (C) Federal and state public records;
- (D) Immunizations;
- (E) Possession of weapons on school grounds;
- (F) Background checks and fingerprinting of personnel;
- (G) Federal and state special education services;
- (H) Student due process;
- (I) Parental rights;
- (J) Federal and state student assessment and accountability;
- (K) Open meetings;
- (L) Educators' due process rights;
- (M) Reductions in teachers' salaries;
- (N) Employee rights, salaries and benefits; and
- (O) Licensure of employees.

Local Education Agency:

Cheatham County School District 110

School Information (if applicable):

School Name:

Street:

City: _____ Zip Code: _____

Please list the statute(s) and/or state board rule(s) for which waiver is being requested:

T.C.A. 49-6-205

Explanation of how the statute(s) and/or state board rule(s) inhibits or hinders the local education agency's ability to meet its goals or comply with its mission:

We transport multiple students to specialized schools in Nashville, TN. Nashville traffic is unpredictable and time on the bus will sometimes exceed the limit.

Expected duration of the condition necessitating this waiver request:

We anticipate this to be problematic the entire school year.

Director of Schools (Signature)



Print Name Cathy Beck

Date August 8, 2022