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**PENNY SCHWINN**  
COMMISSIONER

**Via Electronic Mail**

August 25, 2022

Dr. Danny L. Weeks, Director of Schools  
Dickson County Schools  
817 N Charlotte Street  
Dickson, TN

Re: Waiver for Maximum Time in Transit

Dear Director Weeks:

I am in receipt of your August 11, 2022 waiver request of the maximum time in transit found in Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-6-2105 due to the need to transport certain students who live on the outskirts of the school district.

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, 9<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto: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:

DICKSON COUNTY SCHOOLS (220)

### School Information (if applicable):

School Name: n/a

Street:

City: Zip Code:

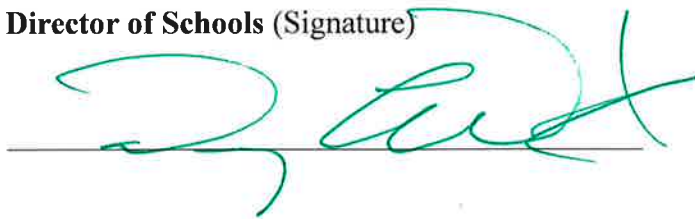
**Please list the statute(s) and/or state board rule(s) for which waiver is being requested:**

TCA 49-6-2105: Maximum transit time

**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 have some special education students in the extreme limits of school zones that transportation time is very close to maximum transit time. We verify the condition that no student will be in transit more than 110 (one hundred ten) minutes.

**Expected duration of the condition necessitating this waiver request:** 2022-2023 SY

**Director of Schools (Signature)**



**Print Name** Danny L. Weeks

**Date** 8-11-22