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Via Electronic Mail

November 10, 2022

Jeff Luttrell, Director of Schools
Wilson County Schools
415 Harding Drive
Lebanon, TN 37087

Re: Waiver Request for 180 Days of Instruction Requirements for Stoner Creek Elementary School

Dear Director Luttrell:

I am in receipt of your October 27, 2022 letter requesting permission to use three (3) remote learning days for students at Stoner Creek Elementary School on November 16 – 18, 2022 to pack and transfer classroom materials to the new facility that had to be constructed after a tornado damaged the previous school building in March of 2020.

Pursuant to my waiver authority under Tenn. Code Ann. § 49-1-201(d), Wilson County Schools is granted a waiver of the laws regarding instructional days for the limited purpose of authorizing Stoner Creek Elementary School to use three (3) remote learning days on November 16 – 18, 2022, if needed, to allow students and staff to transition to the new school building on November 28, 2022.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Dr. Penny Schwinn
Commissioner



October 27, 2022

Commissioner Schwinn,

Stoner Creek Elementary School took a direct hit during the tornados of March 2020. Since March 2020, students and staff members of Stoner Creek Elementary have shared classroom space or have been in temporary classrooms awaiting the opening of their new school facility. The construction of the new facility will be completed by November 1 and classes are scheduled to begin in the new facility on November 28. In preparation for transitioning to the new facility, I am requesting that the District be granted the use of three (3) remote learning days for students at Stoner Creek Elementary School.

The staff at Stoner Creek Elementary would utilize November 16, 17, and 18 to pack and transfer classroom materials to the new facility. These days would allow educators adequate time to setup their new classrooms and prepare for students return on November 28 after Thanksgiving break. Over the three (3) remote learning days, students would complete asynchronous work created and distributed by their teachers in accordance to T.C.A. 49-6-3004.

I appreciate your consideration of this request allowing Stoner Creek Elementary the use of three (3) remote learning days on November 16, 17, and 18. Please contact me is you need further information concerning this request.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jeff Luttrell".

Mr. Jeff Luttrell
Director of Schools
Wilson County Schools