

LOCAL SCHOOL DISTRICT REPORT OF PLAN TO COMPLY WITH NRS 388.700-388.730  
REDUCTION OF PUPIL-TEACHER RATIO IN CERTAIN CLASSES

Fiscal Year 2015

PART A

Return to:

Nevada Department of Education  
Attention: Dale A.R. Erquiaga, Superintendent of Public Instruction  
Nevada Department of Education  
700 East Fifth Street  
Carson City, NV 89701-5096

QUARTER SUBMITTED: 1

SCHOOL DISTRICT: Lander County School District

SCHOOL NAME: BM Elementary

AUTHORIZED CONTACT PERSON: Jim Squibb Superintendent  
Name Title

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 775-635-2886

DATE SUBMITTED: October 23, 2014

CERTIFICATION

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

In accordance with NRS 388.720, this plan has been developed with the following recognized associations representing licensed educational personnel:

Lander County Classroom Teachers' Association Dave Marz  
(Association) (Signature of Representative)

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The Local Board of Trustees has authorized me to file this plan and such action is recorded in the minutes of the agency's meeting held on October 22, 2014.

(Date)

[Signature] \_\_\_\_\_, District Superintendent  
(Signature)

**DUE QUARTERLY ON OR BEFORE:**

**First Quarter: November 1, 2014**

**Second Quarter: February 1, 2015**

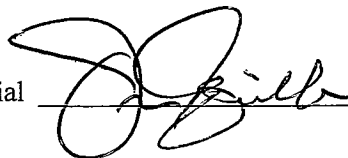
**Third Quarter: May 1, 2015**

**Fourth Quarter: August 1, 2015**

**PART A (continued)**  
**ASSURANCES**

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  - B. To reduce the size of first, second and third grade classes in the district to achieve a pupil-teacher ratio of no more than 22:1 and fourth, fifth and sixth grade classes to achieve a pupil-teacher ratio of no more than 25:1 for school districts with approved alternative CSR plans.
2. If funds are provided to support CSR teachers in selected kindergartens the district will use the positions in schools with a high percentage of pupils who are considered most at risk of failure.
3. The school district will apply to the State Board of Education for a variance on or before November 15<sup>th</sup> of each year if it is unable to achieve a pupil-teacher ratio of 16:1, in grades 1 and 2, and a pupil-teacher ratio of 19:1 in grade 3. The variance shall include full justification and show good cause; or  
  
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Signature of Authorized Official



Jim Squibb, Superintendent

School District Lander County School District

Date October 23, 2014

(Continued)

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School District: Lander County School District

# CLASS-SIZE REDUCTION – Fiscal Year 2015 PART C

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## FACILITIES

2. What additional school facilities will you use to accomplish this pupil-teacher ratio reduction? How will they be funded?

N/A

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**OTHER FEATURES**

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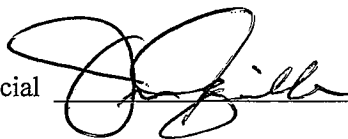
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Jim Squibb, Superintendent

School District Lander County School District

Date October 23, 2014

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School District: Lander County School District



# CLASS-SIZE REDUCTION – Fiscal Year 2015 PART C

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**Austin Schools has the unique situation of teaching K-3 in one classroom due to limited enrollment. Total enrollment K-3 was only 10 so no CSR funds were allocated to Austin for these grade levels. Grades 4-8 are taught in one classroom due to limited enrollment. Total enrollment 4-5 was only 5 so no CSR funds were allocated for these grades in Austin either.**

## FACILITIES

2. What additional school facilities will you use to accomplish this pupil-teacher ratio reduction? How will they be funded?

N/A

3. What other expenses do you expect to incur?

N/A

**OTHER FEATURES**

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NONE

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# REQUEST FOR VARIANCE FROM CLASS-SIZE REQUIREMENTS FY14

Quarter Reported: 1 Date Range of Quarter: July 1 – September 30, 2014

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

	School Ratio	NRS 388.700	SB 522 Allowance*
Grade One	<u>21.75</u>	16:1	18:1
Grade Two	<u>21.25</u>	16:1	18:1
Grade Three	<u>18.50</u>	19:1	21:1

\* no variance is required in 2014 or 2015

### Detailed Explanation of Cause and/or Justification:

Lack of financial support

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Signature, District Superintendent of Schools

October 23, 2014  
Date

Return to:  
Nevada Department of Education  
Adrienne Lawrence, Management Analyst III  
700 East Fifth Street  
Carson City, NV 89701-5096

Due Date First Quarter: November 1, 2014  
Due Date Second Quarter: February 1, 2015  
Due Date Third Quarter: May 1, 2015  
Due Date Fourth Quarter: August 1, 2015

Class-size Reduction Part B - KINDERGARTEN FY15

Return to:

Adrienne Lawrence 775-687-9177 for:  
 Dale Erquiaga, Superintendent of Public Instruction,  
 Nevada Department of Education  
 700 East Fifth Street  
 Carson City, NV 89701-5096

July 1, 2014 - September 30, 2014

Quarter Date Range

1

Quarter for report

First Quarter Report Due: November 1

Second Quarter Report Due: February 1

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Lander County School District

School District

Jim Squibb, Superintendent

Contact Person

775-635-2886

Phone Number

School Name	Percent Low Income	Average Daily Attendance for Quarter	Enrollment Last Day of Quarter	Number of General Fund Teachers*			Number of CSR-Funded Teachers**			Pupil-Teacher Ratio	Classroom Configuration (Number of Classrooms)		
				Full Day Program	Half Day Program	Total	Full Day Program	Half Day Program	Total		Self-Contained	Team Teaching	Other
BM Elementary	35.2	104.6	116		7.04	7.04		0.96	0.96	14.5/1	8		
Austin Combined	26.9	11.5	12		1.5	1.5				8/1	1.5		
K (3)													
1st (1)													
2nd (3)													
3rd (3)													
4th (3)													
5th (2)													
TOTALS		116.1	128	0	8.54	8.54	0	0.96	0.96	13.47/1	9.5		

\* Revision: The number of Kindergarten teachers reported by full-time equivalent, who teach in full day Kindergarten programs separated from the number of teachers who teach half day Kindergarten programs.

\*\* The schools to which CSR funded Kindergarten teachers have been assigned as of 2013-2014 must be approved by the Superintendent of public instruction.





# Class-size Reduction Part B - GRADE THREE FY15

July 1, 2014 - September 30, 2014 Quarter: 1

Return to: Adrienne Lawrence 775-687-9177 for:

Lander County School District

Jim Squibb, Superintendent

775-635-2886

Date Erquiaga, Superintendent of Public Instruction  
Nevada Department of Education  
700 East Fifth Street  
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School District

Contact Person

Phone Number

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				Classroom	*Reading Recovery	Total	Classroom	*Reading Recovery	Total		Self-Contained	Team Teaching	Other
BM Elementary	35.2	71.7	74	3.67		3.67	0.33		0.33	18.5/1	4		
TOTALS		71.7	74	3.67		3.67	0.33		0.33	18.5/1	4		

\*Reading Recovery positions to be reported by those districts with approved Alternative CSR Plans utilizing Reading Recovery

Note: In the case of a combination grade classroom, please contact Dana Embro, dembro@doe.nv.gov 775-687-9236, for proper reporting