

Issue Paper

DATE:

04/09/2021

AGENDA ITEM (ACTION ITEM):

Consider/Approve a School Facility Design Waiver Request for the construction of an art classroom at RC Hinsdale Elementary School that does not meet the Model School Program with a North Facing Elevation.

APPLICABLE BOARD POLICY:

01.1 Legal Status of the Board; 702 KAR 4:050 Building Sites; Inspection and Approval

HISTORY/BACKGROUND:

The proposed addition to RC Hinsdale Elementary School is situated to make the appropriate internal circulation connection with the footprint of the existing building. This is the only location for an addition to the facility given other existing constraints such as elevation changes and site circulation patterns. One (1) of the spaces is being designed as an art room. The location of this proposed addition is facing the south west. The Kentucky Department of Education Model Building Program states that all art classrooms shall face the north. Due to all existing design challenges it is necessary to secure a design waiver request.

FISCAL/BUDGETARY IMPACT:

N/A

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve a School Facility Design Waiver Request for the construction of an art classroom at RC Hinsdale Elementary School that does not meet the Model School Program with a North Facing Elevation.

CONTACT PERSON:

Rob Haney, Chief Operations Officer

Principal/Administrator

District Administrator

Superintendent



2021.04.08

Mr. Rob Haney Chief Operations Officer Kenton County School District 1055 Eaton Drive Ft. Wright, KY 41017

Re:

Response to Design Development Review dated 2021.04.08

BG 21-142

Kenton County School District

R.C. Hinsdale Elementary School - Additions and Renovations

Dear Rob,

We are in receipt of Mr. Dunbar's Design Development Review of the R.C. Hinsdale Elementary School – Additions and Renovations project. In response to the comment, "RESPONSE ITEM 4: The new art classroom is not along a north-facing exterior wall. Revise the art classroom to be along a north-facing exterior wall. (Reference 702 KAR 4:170 Part 2-b.7.)" we offer the following response:

PCA RESPONSE: The existing site conditions and building configuration do not offer buildable areas on the north side of the building. The proposed art room and media center are located in the only economical area on the site for an addition of this size. Additionally, the existing art classroom's does not have any windows. The new art room will provide a significantly better learning environment.

I trust this response addresses Mr. Dunbar's comment. Please contact me if you have any questions or need any additional information.

Sincerely, PCA ARCHITECTURE PSC

Ralph Cooper, R.A.