

CLASS SIZE

It is the intent of the Board to arrange for class sizes that will provide effective instruction for students and efficient use of staff, school facilities and fiscal resources. It is understood that class sizes will be determined by several variables including but not limited to the nature of certain courses, instructional methods, availability of staff, availability of facilities, equipment and supplies, and budgetary constraints.

With these variables in mind, the Board recommends the following guidelines for student- teacher ratios:

Pre-kindergarten: No more than 8 to 1

K-2: No more than 18 to 1

Grades 3-5: No more than 22 to 1

Middle school: No more than 30 to 1

High school: No more than 30 to 1

Higher student-teacher ratios (class sizes) are acceptable for band and choral music.

The Superintendent will provide the Board with semi-annual reports on student-teacher ratios. The Superintendent will make recommendations regarding staffing to the Board when student-teacher ratios exceed the guidelines. The Board will review student-staff ratios during the budget development process.

MINIMUM CLASS SIZE AT THE HIGH SCHOOL LEVEL

No course will be permitted to operate with fewer than ten students enrolled unless the Board has granted prior approval.

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