

POLICY TITLE: School Size and Class Size		
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POLICY/PROCEDURE MANUAL SUMMARY CATEGORY: District Management		

I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to establish parameters for reasonable school and class student populations.

II. Policy Statement

The Board of Education will attempt to adhere to reasonable school and class size standards such as those presented below, and retains the flexibility to adjust class size standards appropriately to reflect a variety of educational delivery methods. Optimal class size will be determined by the nature of the course offering.

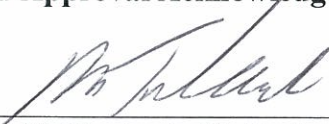
School Size

1. Elementary school -- 500 to 750 students
2. Middle school -- 900 to 1,200 students
3. High school -- 1,000 to 1,600 students
4. Special school -- 200 to 350 students

Class Size

1. Elementary School
 - A. Pre-Kindergarten Classes -- 20 Students (2 Adults per Classroom/Session)
 - B. Primary (Kindergarten – Grade 2) Classes – 20 students per classroom
 - C. Intermediate (Grades 3-5) Classes – 25 students per classroom
2. Secondary School -- 25 students per classroom except in cases where work stations and/or laboratory facilities accommodate fewer or more students.

Board Approval Acknowledged By:



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