Organization of Classes Report

2014/2015

Public Board Meeting
November 18, 2014

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Considerations for 2015/16 budget development
Elementary Classes

Kindergarten: including K/1 combined classes

Primary: Grades 1 to 3, including 3/4 combined classes

Intermediate: Grades 4 to 7

Class size maximums remain for Kindergarten and K/Gr. 1 combined classes (22), Primary and Gr. 3/4 combined classes (24). District averages are no longer in effect. These were (Kindergarten; < 19, Primary Grade 1 to 3; < 21, Grades 4 to 7; < 28, Grades 8 to 12; < 30.

Averages for these grade groupings have been provided for comparative purposes.

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<th>Grade(s)</th>
<th>2014/15</th>
<th>2013/14</th>
<th>Variance</th>
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<td>Kindergarten (K &amp; 1)</td>
<td>19.2</td>
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<td>Primary: Gr. 1 to 3 (3 &amp; 4)</td>
<td>22.3</td>
<td>22.1</td>
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<td>Intermediate: Gr. 4 to 7</td>
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Elementary Classes > 30

Two regular classes (divisions) in elementary schools exceed 30 students (Cove Cliff [31] and Lynn Valley [32]).

A total of four band (4) and strings (1) classes in four different schools exceed 30 students. Six in 2013/14

In 2013/14, there were two regular divisions exceeding 30 students and there were seven band classes in six different schools with classes exceeding 30 students.
Kindergarten Class Size
2014/2015 (62 classes)

District Average for
2014/2015 = 19.2
2013/2014 = 19.2
No change in average per class

K Class Size Requirements
No class > 22 students
District Avg. < 19 (repealed)

Grades 1 to 3 Class Size
2014/2015 (160 classes)

District Aggregate Average for
2014/2015 = 22.3
2013/2014 = 22.1
Increase of 0.2 per class

Gr. 1-3 Class Size Requirements
No class > 24 students
Secondary Classes

- Increase in number of classes with more than 30 students, and in number of classes with 22 and fewer students compared to 2013/14
- Blocks added through the Education Fund after classes were organized – very limited, or no impact on class sizes
- Reduction in average class sizes
  24.3 in 2014/15 - 24.5 in 13/14, 25.1 in 12/13, 26.4 in 11/12

Secondary Classes > 30 - Compared to prior years
Classes eligible for compensation
Secondary classes < 22, 22 - Compared to prior years
Secondary classes < 22, 22 compared to classes > 30
and compared to prior years
Secondary Classes > 30

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<td>26</td>
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Classes that are ineligible for class size compensation include: a) adult or continuing education, b) distributed learning, c) alternate program, d) work study, or work experience, e) specialty academies, f) music classes including band, choir, instrumental music and orchestra, g) performing arts classes, including drama and dance, h) Planning 10, i) Board authorized leadership course.
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