

Organization of Classes Report

2013/2014

Public Board Meeting
October 22, 2013

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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 District averages are no longer in effect.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.

Grade(s)	2013/14	2012/13	Variance
Kindergarten (K & 1)	19.2	18.8	+ 0.4
Primary: Gr. 1 to 3 (3 & 4)	22.1	21.8	+ 0.3
Intermediate: Gr. 4 to 7	27.1	27.2	- 0.1



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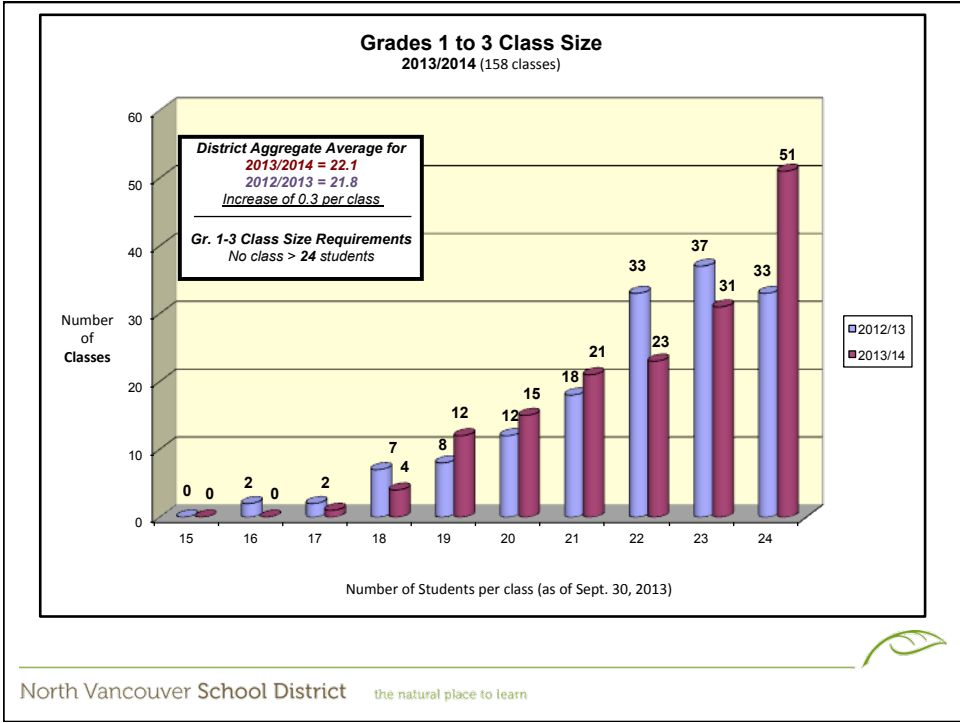
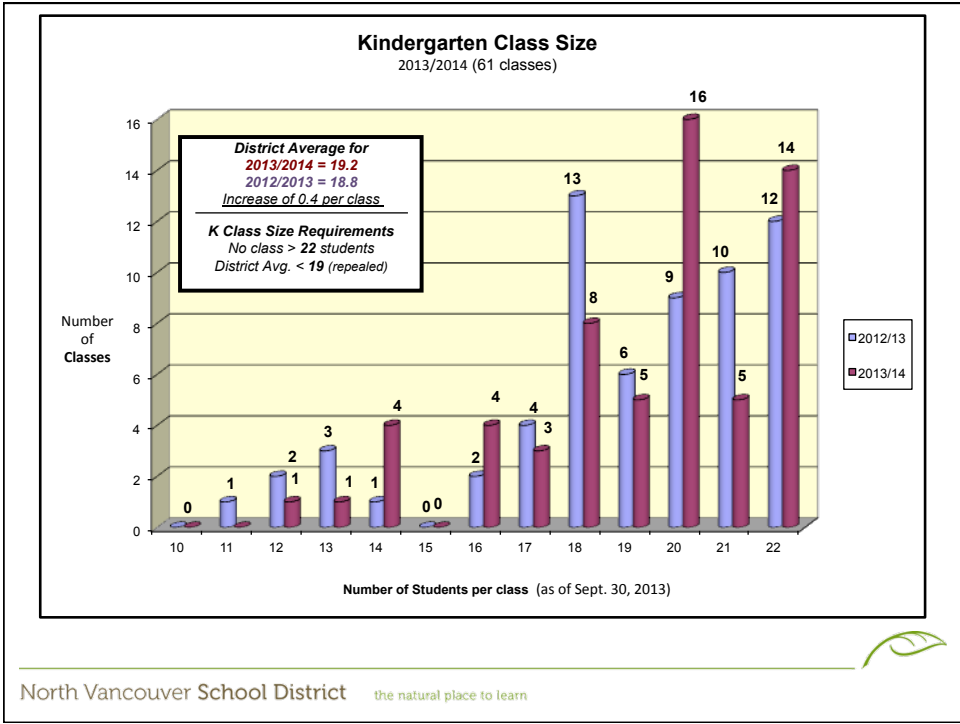
Elementary Classes > 30

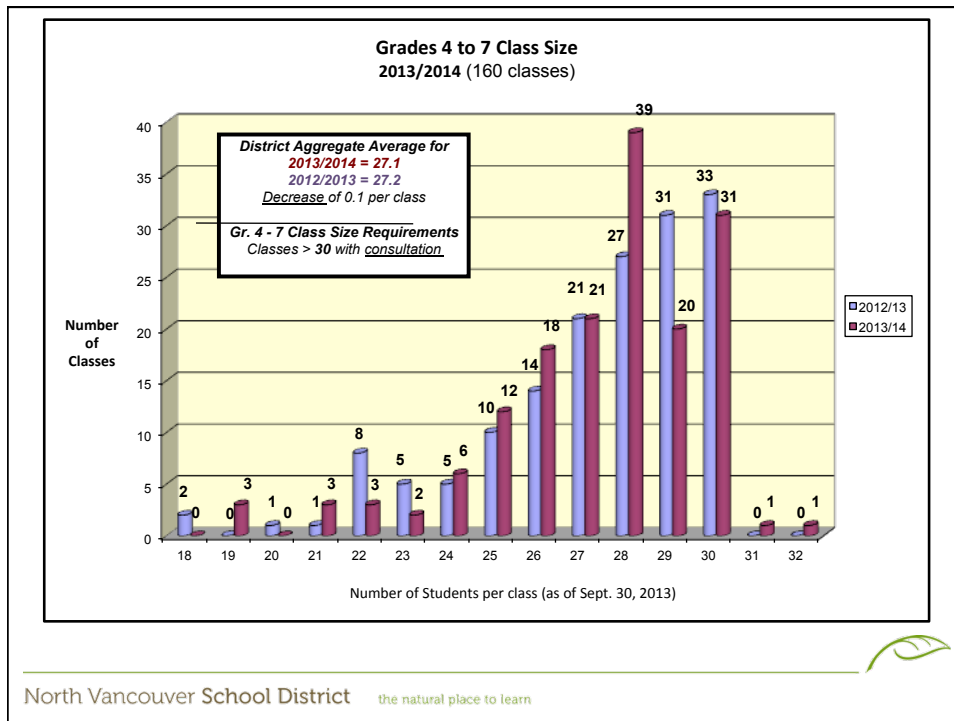
Two regular classes (divisions) in elementary schools exceed 30 students (Capilano and Sherwood Park).

A total of eight band (7) and strings (1) classes in six different schools exceed 30 students.

In 2012/13, there were no regular divisions exceeding 30 students and there were seven band classes in four different schools with classes exceeding 30 students.







Secondary Classes

- Further reduction in the number of classes with more than 30 students, beyond reductions in 2012/13
 - Flexibility in the allocation of staffing
 - Prior add-back budget increased secondary teaching staff
 - Reduction in average class size from
 24.5 in 2013/14 to 25.1 in 2012/13 (26.4 in 2011/12)

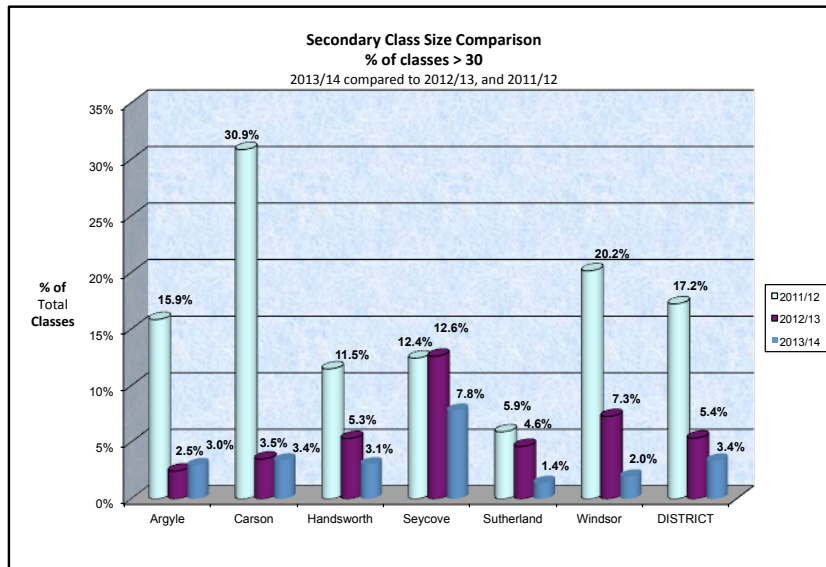
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 Classes eligible for compensation

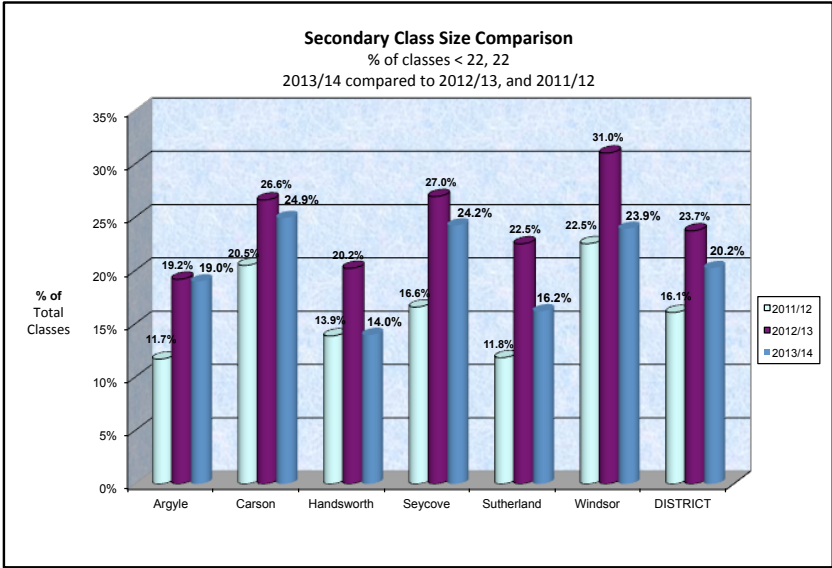
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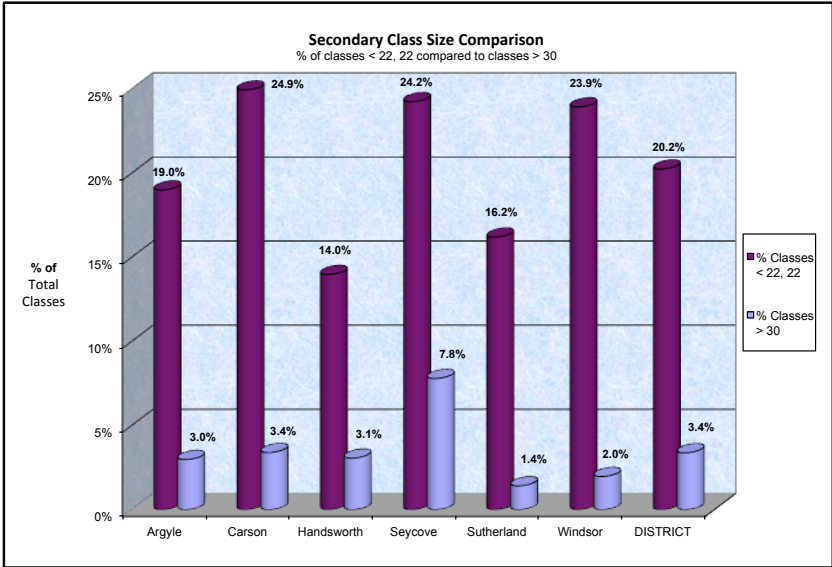
SCHOOL	Classes > 30						
	2011_12	2012_13	2013_14	Reduction Yr. to Yr.	12/13 Eligible for Compensation	13/14 Eligible for Compensation	% Reduction
Argyle	77	11	13	-18.2%	3	5	-66.7%
Carson Graham	113	14	14	0.0%	6	8	-33.3%
Handsworth	54	24	14	41.7%	14	3	78.6%
Seycove	32	29	18	37.9%	23	7	69.6%
Sutherland	9	7	0	100.0%	5	0	100.0%
Windsor	52	19	2	89.5%	9	2	77.8%
	337	104	61	41.3%	60	25	58.3%

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.

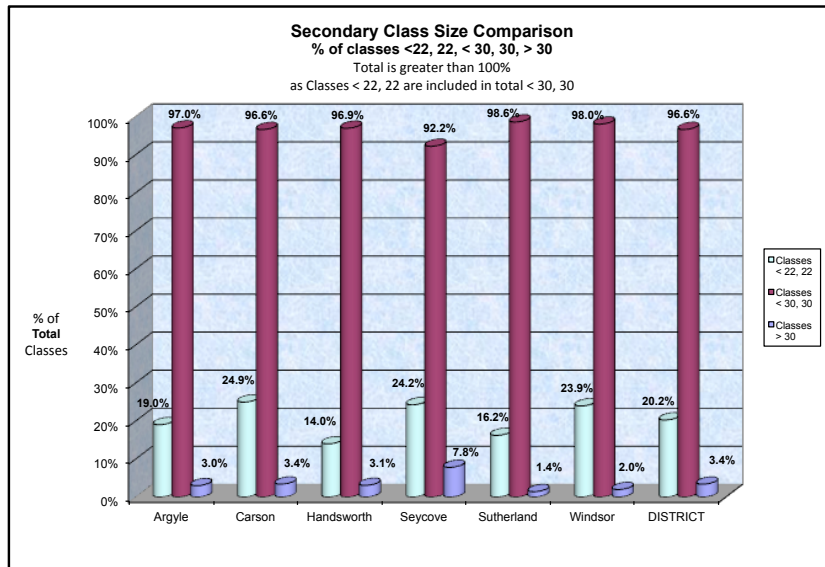




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