Instruction BP 6151.1

BOARD POLICY

CLASS SIZE

The Board shall strive to maintain class sizes within the general parameters as stated below while reserving the right to annually "average" in primary class size reduction classes and to formulate larger elective and/or physical education classes based on scheduling needs of the school programs:

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- K-3 Class size of 20 or less unless annual "averaging" is employed.
- 4-5 Class size of 33 or less. Classes with 34-36 students will be provided an average of one (1) hour per day of instructional aide time. For classes that exceed 36 students, the administration will consider additional instructional aide time, reconfiguration of classes and/or addition of certificated staff. Preparation time classes (P.E., music, art, etc) are exempt from these limits.
- 6-8 Class size of 33 or less. In class periods with 34 or more students, the teacher will be allotted (1) period of "credit." For every sixty (60) "credits," allotted to a teacher, that teacher will be entitled to one (1) "compensation day." Elective and/or physical education classes are exempt from these limits when scheduling needs of the school programs require higher class sizes.

"Compensation Day" is defined as a regularly scheduled school day where the teacher is released from duties by a substitute or other means. Compensation days do not transfer from year to year. The teacher is required to serve their "Compensation Day" on their school site working on their professional tasks for the length of the work day as defined by contract.

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