

IIB – CLASS SIZE

The District will adhere to all state laws and regulations pertaining to class size. In the event of scheduling conflicts, staffing shortages, space limitations, fiscal limitations, or other issues that prevent a classroom from adhering class size regulations, the Superintendent or designee will contact the New Hampshire Department of Education and seek alternative compliance allowances through the applicable State procedures.

The District will strive to achieve the following class sizes:

- Kindergarten through grade two - no more than 20 students or fewer per teacher
- Grades three through five - no more than 25 students per teacher
- Middle school grades - no more than 25 students per teacher
- High school grades - no more than 25 students per teacher.

These class size requirements may be exceeded for study halls, band and chorus, and other types of large group instruction including, but not limited to lectures, combined group instruction, and showing of educational material. In the interest of safety, the maximum number of students in laboratory classes in such areas as science and career and technical education shall be determined by the number of work stations and the size and design of the area. In no case shall the number of students in laboratory classes exceed 24.

Statutory/Regulatory/Policy/Handbook Cross References

N.H. Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed 306.17, Class Size
Handbook (None)

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PREVIOUS POLICY: None