

CLASS SIZE

The Governing Board recognizes that teachers today must meet the needs of students whose experiences and preparation for school are increasingly diverse, and that the number of students in a class impacts the extent to which teachers can identify and respond to individual student needs.

In accordance with negotiated employee agreements and state law, the Board shall establish upper and lower class size limits recommended by the Superintendent or designee as being appropriate for the subject taught and conducive to the effective use of the teaching staff.

The Superintendent shall recommend to the Governing Board those grade levels to participate in the Class Size Reduction Program. The Superintendent or designee shall ensure that teachers of these classes receive training, which will help them to maximize the educational advantages of class size reduction. The Superintendent or designee shall also regularly prepare reports that will enable the Board to evaluate the impact of class size on the achievement of district educational goals.

It shall be the policy of the district to maintain reasonably equal class sizes within each grade level throughout the district by the use of inter-school district transportation on regularly scheduled bus routes. Pupils enrolling after the opening of school in the fall of each year may be enrolled in a school outside of their established attendance zone in order to maintain a reasonable balance in class sizes. It shall be the policy of the district to enroll elementary school pupils from the same family in the same school where space will permit. In general, pupils enrolled in a school within the district shall remain at that school for the balance of the school year regardless of changes in residence within the district.

Legal References:

EDUCATION CODE

17742	Rules for determining adequate school construction; exceptions
17742.7	Formula for calculations
17770-17777	Class size reduction facilities funding
33050	Nonwaivable provisions
41375	Legislative intent encouraging reduction in class size

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GOVERNMENT CODE

3543.2 Scope of representation

CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 5

15103 Definitions

15130-15133 Class size reduction program