

**Darien Public Schools
Darien, Connecticut**

POLICY

Series 6500

Instructional Arrangements

Policy 6510

Class Size

The Darien Board of Education (the “Board”) believes the number of pupils in a class affects the quality of education. The relationship between class size and student learning is complex and is affected by grade level, subject area, nature of the pupils, learning objectives, instructional methods and procedures, teacher individuality, physical environment and budgetary implications.

The goal of the Class Size Policy is the establishment of appropriate class size ranges for the pupils, the teacher, the subject matter, and teaching methods of a particular grade or class.

The Superintendent may, in his/her discretion run smaller classes for groups such as our youngest students, students with the most significant challenges and in consideration of running electives that round out a diverse curriculum at the high school. The Superintendent may also run smaller classes in cases which, in his/her judgement, best support the educational needs of the students.

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Class Size Administrative Guidelines

| <u>Grade Levels</u> | <u>K-1</u> | <u>2-3</u> | <u>4-5</u> | <u>6-12</u> |
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