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FOREWORD

The BrightWorks 2025-2026 Class Size Study reports data describing both regional and local norms. We hope that the information contained in this report will be useful to decision makers and interested citizens served by BrightWorks. Though this data was carefully collected, we wish to caution readers from making assumptions about a district's staffing pattern based on class size statistics alone.

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INTRODUCTION

This report describes class size statistics for 30 districts in the Twin Cities metro area that submitted data to BrightWorks. To enable the reader to interpret this report accurately, it is necessary to describe the report briefly in terms of data collection and reporting procedures.

Sources of Data

The method of collecting class size information was an electronic format. All 7-county metro area superintendents were sent an invitation to authorize participation and appoint a staff member to be in direct contact with BrightWorks staff for the study.

District contacts received the “Memo to District Contacts: Directions for the Annual Class Size Study” (pages 40-42) and three Excel spreadsheet formats (pages 43-45), one for each school type (elementary, junior secondary, and senior secondary). The designated contact person appointed by the superintendent in each district was responsible for collecting data from each building in the district, aggregating the data in each Excel file, and returning the data to BrightWorks for data processing and analysis. More details about this process are available in the memo located in the Appendix of this document.

Organization of the Report

For an overview, please refer to the Table of Contents at the beginning of the study. The Class Size Study contains a glossary (pages 6-7) which should be read prior to viewing the tables. The study contains an introduction, a middle section with tables and results, and a summary section. The “Reports with Tables” section consists of statistical highlights for metro schools aggregated as “regionwide” data and by school type—elementary, junior secondary, and senior secondary. The highlights represent regional norms for all class size categories and are calculated by aggregating local data plus reports focusing on elementary, junior secondary, and senior secondary programs.

Data were reported in some cases excluding special education students, and, in others, including special education students. It should also be noted that consistent grade groupings have not been used for each district. (Of special note here is the fact that grades 5 and 6 may be included with elementary or junior secondary data depending upon local district configuration.)

Limitations

The following considerations should be taken into account when reviewing data in the Annual Class Size Study:

- Class size data included in this report are based on fall student counts submitted as of October 1, 2025.
- At the junior and senior secondary levels, no attempt has been made to include all subjects offered by all schools; only subject areas that are most typically offered at the secondary level have been included.

It is tempting to interpret inter-district comparisons in terms of relationships which suggest cause and effect. The reader should be careful in making such comparisons. Class size data among school districts will be different due to many factors, including educational philosophy, school facility design, school district organizations, economic stability, school district size, management methods, and utilization of specialists or paraprofessionals in conjunction with professional staff. Although the descriptions contained within the tables of this report demonstrate normative comparisons, the data reported simply describe *what* exists, not *why* differences exist among the districts.

GLOSSARY OF TERMS

1. Average (Mean) Class Size

Average (Mean) Class Size represents the class size which equals the arithmetic average of class sizes reported. The average is the total of reported class sizes divided by the number of classes reported. Averages are reported to the nearest one hundredth.

2. Class Size

Class Size refers to the number of students in a group or class organized for the purpose of instruction.

3. Class Size Range

Class Size Range represents the maximum and minimum class sizes reported for a given grade or subject area.

4. Class Types

Class Types counted for this study differ for each school type. Class types for each are as follows:

<u>Elementary</u>	<u>Junior Secondary</u>	<u>Senior Secondary</u>
Kindergarten	Art	Art
Grade 1	Business Ed/Marketing	Business Ed/Marketing
Grade 2	Family & Consumer Science	Family & Consumer Science
Grade 3	Health Education	Health Education
Grade 4	Interdisciplinary Courses	Language Arts/English
Grade 5	Language Arts/English	Math
Grade 6	Math	Music
Special Education	Music	Physical Education
Combo or Ungraded	Physical Education	Science
	Science	Social Studies
	Social Studies	Special Education
	Special Education	Technology Ed/Computer Science
	Technology Ed/Computer Science	Work Experience Program
	World Languages	World Languages

5. Elementary

This grouping *may* include the following grades: K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6. Combination grades/ungraded and special education classes may also be included. Depending on individual district grade organization, “elementary” *may not* include grades 5 or 6.

6. Grade Group

Grade Groups include the school types—elementary, junior secondary, and senior secondary, but also part of and combinations of those school type groups. For example, some of the data is reported for a combination of junior and senior secondary as one grade group.

7. Junior Secondary

Junior Secondary includes students in middle schools, junior high schools, or the first part of an eight-year secondary program (i.e., grades 5-12).

8. Participating Districts

Participating Districts includes school districts in the Twin Cities metro area that submitted data for the current year of the study. These districts may or may not be members of BrightWorks.

9. School Type

School Types for this study are Elementary, Junior Secondary, and Senior Secondary.

10. Senior Secondary

Senior Secondary includes students in senior high school or in the second part of an eight-year secondary program (i.e., grades 5-12).

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A. REGIONWIDE CLASS SIZE STATISTICS & DATA OBSERVATIONS: TRENDS

The regionwide class size averages by class type from the last five years were included in the study. The graphs include data from the 2021-22 school year through the 2025-26 school year.

Table 1 (page 11) reports the average Elementary class sizes for each year by class type. The following trends were observed:

- This year 6th grade reported a five-year-low class size.
- This year 2nd grade, 3rd grade, 4th grade, and 5th grade reported five-year-high class sizes.

Table 2 (page 12) reports the average Jr. Secondary class sizes for each year by class type. The following trends were observed:

- This year Music reported a five-year-high class size.
- Of the core subjects, Language Arts/English and Math are consistently lower in class size than Science and Social Studies.

Table 3 (page 13) reports the average Sr. Secondary class sizes for each year by class type. The following trends were observed:

- This year Art, Family & Consumer Science, Language Arts/English, Physical Education, Social Studies, Special Education, and Technology Ed/Computer Science reported five-year-low class sizes.
- This year Health Education and Music reported a five-year-high class size.
- Of the core subjects, Social Studies classes have consistently had the highest-class sizes at the Sr. Secondary level.

Table 1. Elementary Regionwide Class Size Trends

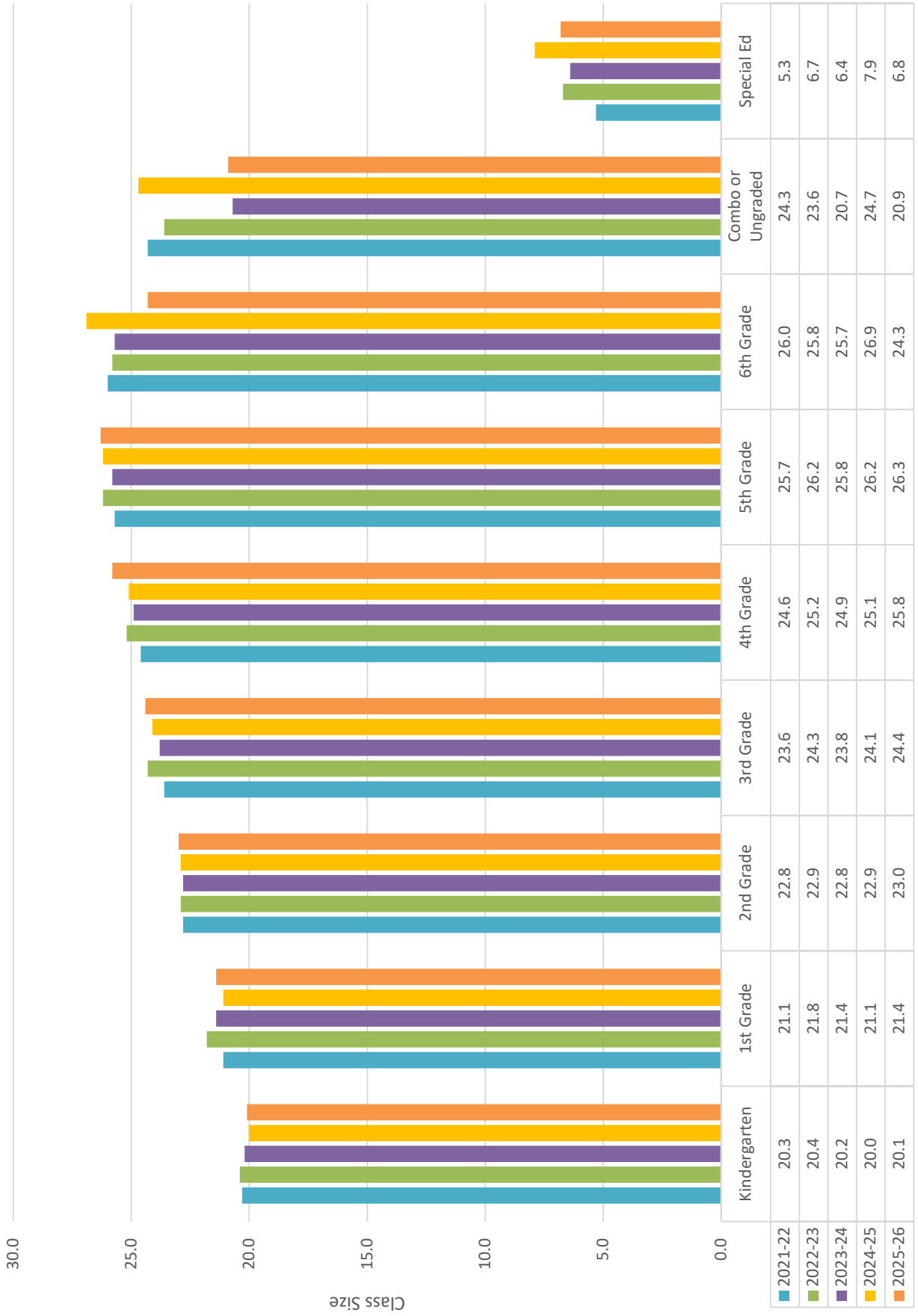


Table 2. Jr Secondary Regionwide Class Size Trends

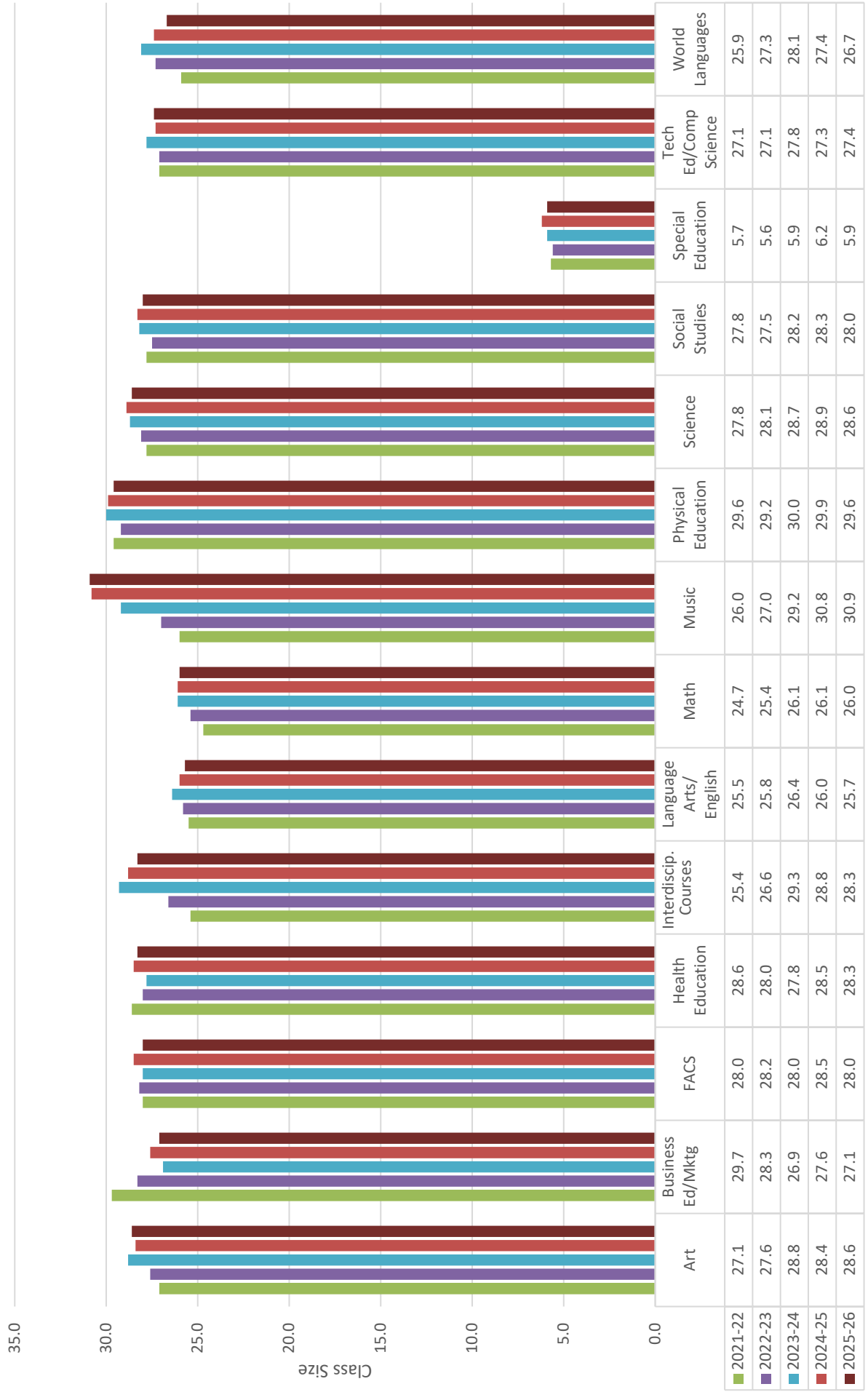
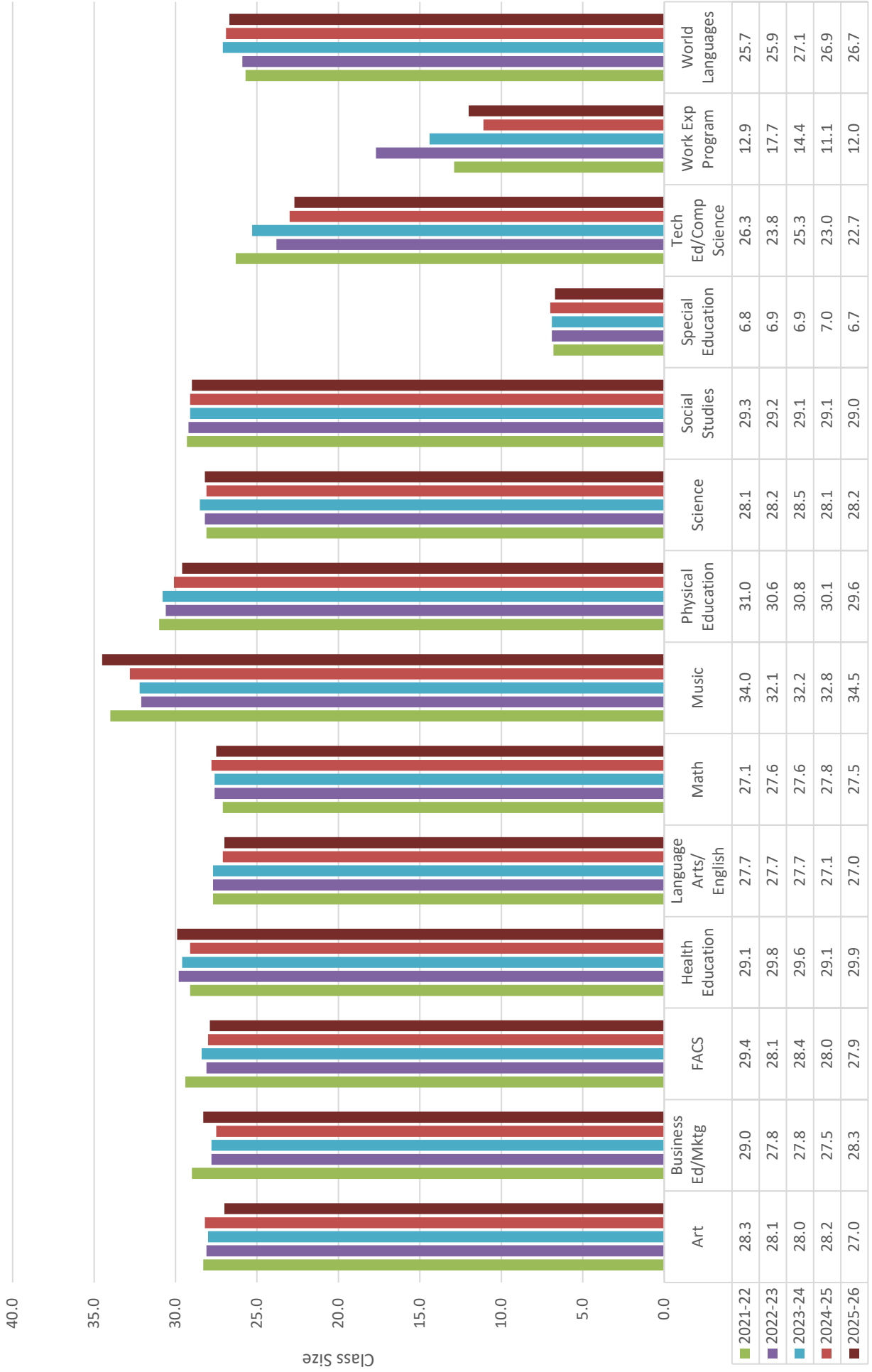


Table 3. Sr Secondary Regionwide Class Size Trends



B. REGIONWIDE CLASS SIZE STATISTICS

Averages and class size ranges for specific school types and selected subject areas for the participating districts as a whole are reported in Table 4 (page 15). Summary data for the entire region excluding special education and including special education are shown in Table 5 and Table 6 (page 16) respectively.

Average class size data by selected grade groupings (i.e., Elementary, Junior Secondary, Senior Secondary, Junior and Senior Secondary combined, and for all K-12) for class sizes excluding special education and including special education are shown in Table 7 (page 17) and Table 8 (page 18) respectively. Individual district data are available in these tables by district number (see key on page 39).

Table 4. Class Size Regionwide by Class Type

Elementary

Class Type	Avg.	Min.	Max.
Kindergarten	20.1	4	29
Grade 1	21.4	2	29
Grade 2	23.0	9	31
Grade 3	24.4	11	31
Grade 4	25.8	7	33
Grade 5	26.3	10	34
Grade 6	24.3	23	26
Combo or Ungraded	20.9	6	30
Special Education	6.8	1	19

Jr Secondary

Class Type	Avg.	Min.	Max.
Art	28.6	4	56
Business Ed/Marketing	27.1	12	36
Family & Consumer Science	28.0	11	36
Health Education	28.3	10	39
Interdisciplinary Courses	28.3	13	48
Language Arts/English	25.7	2	40
Math	26.0	2	42
Music	30.9	3	79
Physical Education	29.6	5	50
Science	28.6	5	40
Social Studies	28.0	5	40
Special Education	5.9	1	20
Technology Ed/Computer Science	27.4	9	38
World Languages	26.7	4	57

Sr Secondary

Class Type	Avg.	Min.	Max.
Art	27.0	3	42
Business Ed/Marketing	28.3	2	41
Family & Consumer Science	27.9	6	40
Health Education	29.9	12	40
Language Arts/English	27.0	4	54
Math	27.5	4	44
Music	34.5	3	155
Physical Education	29.6	5	89
Science	28.2	2	48
Social Studies	29.0	5	42
Special Education	6.7	1	23
Technology Ed/Computer Science	22.7	3	38
Work Experience Program	12.0	1	47
World Languages	26.7	1	67

Table 5. Class Size Regionwide by Grade Group (Excluding Special Education)

	Avg.	Min.	Max.
Elementary	23.3	2	34
Jr Secondary	27.8	2	79
Sr Secondary	27.8	1	155

Table 6. Class Size Regionwide by Grade Group (Including Special Education)

	Avg.	Min.	Max.
Elementary	23.0	1	34
Jr. Secondary	24.6	1	79
Sr. Secondary	24.7	1	155

Table 7. Average Class Size by Grade Group (Excluding Special Education)

Elementary		Jr Secondary		Sr Secondary		Jr & Sr Secondary		K-12	
Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.
14	19.91	280	23.68	108	22.22	108	22.94	108	22.88
270	20.34	108	23.72	111	22.66	717	24.72	280	24.45
200	20.89	13	24.60	717	24.26	280	24.85	717	24.75
271	21.49	717	25.46	277	24.62	111	25.14	111	25.00
272	21.85	622	25.48	272	24.66	622	25.79	272	25.37
277	21.98	192	25.60	280	25.62	272	25.90	622	25.45
280	22.14	271	26.06	622	26.01	277	26.03	277	25.54
831	22.22	276	26.22	200	26.55	192	26.37	270	26.05
108	22.24	14	26.57	832	26.60	276	26.54	14	26.10
13	22.55	272	26.79	720	26.73	13	26.71	192	26.14
283	22.79	270	27.00	721	26.97	832	26.77	13	26.16
720	22.80	832	27.01	276	27.05	14	26.86	276	26.20
199	22.84	199	27.42	199	27.07	199	27.14	832	26.40
624	23.09	283	27.57	14	27.15	200	27.19	200	26.64
276	23.29	110	27.76	192	27.17	270	27.30	199	26.87
622	23.40	716	27.84	110	27.65	110	27.71	720	27.07
284	23.57	279	28.00	279	27.74	283	27.73	271	27.09
111	23.60	111	28.02	270	27.76	720	27.77	283	27.15
832	23.62	11	28.29	282	27.82	279	27.85	110	27.21
282	23.70	284	28.42	283	27.93	271	27.96	279	27.27
279	23.88	112	28.48	112	28.20	721	28.20	721	27.67
11	23.99	200	28.48	13	28.23	112	28.36	716	27.75
110	24.01	720	28.64	831	28.57	716	28.36	112	27.89
721	24.02	277	28.85	716	28.64	282	28.57	11	27.90
833	24.38	194	29.00	11	28.93	11	28.58	282	28.00
112	24.46	831	29.35	194	28.96	194	28.98	284	28.38
716	24.47	282	29.77	624	29.58	831	29.07	194	28.42
192	24.60	833	29.90	271	30.02	284	29.21	831	28.52
194	24.65	721	30.32	833	30.19	833	30.03	624	29.04
717	25.25	624	30.68	284	30.75	624	30.17	833	29.10
Reg wide	23.33	Reg wide	27.83	Reg wide	27.81	Reg wide	27.82	Reg wide	27.23

Table 8. Average Class Size by Grade Group (Including Special Education)

Elementary		Jr Secondary		Sr Secondary		Jr & Sr Secondary		K-12	
Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.
14	18.21	280	20.69	108	19.47	108	20.46	108	20.61
270	20.34	271	21.16	111	20.21	280	21.77	280	21.81
271	20.57	108	21.57	717	20.25	111	21.89	277	21.96
200	20.89	13	22.45	277	20.75	717	21.94	111	22.02
272	21.85	716	23.14	272	21.97	277	21.96	717	22.09
831	21.91	270	23.29	270	22.03	270	22.76	270	22.41
276	21.97	622	23.38	720	22.47	271	23.20	271	22.89
277	21.98	192	23.45	280	22.49	200	23.26	14	23.08
280	22.14	200	23.51	14	22.60	272	23.29	200	23.09
108	22.24	111	23.79	200	23.13	720	23.30	272	23.12
13	22.55	833	23.92	622	24.14	14	23.67	720	23.24
283	22.79	110	23.97	832	24.44	622	23.81	622	23.76
720	22.80	720	24.00	110	24.44	13	24.11	13	23.93
199	22.84	624	24.03	833	24.54	110	24.19	110	24.17
624	23.09	272	24.27	831	24.58	833	24.19	833	24.22
194	23.16	277	24.42	276	24.70	192	24.23	192	24.28
112	23.22	284	24.76	112	24.97	716	24.50	624	24.45
282	23.26	832	24.80	192	25.07	832	24.59	832	24.49
284	23.39	14	24.87	13	25.22	624	24.64	716	24.50
622	23.40	199	25.03	716	25.31	276	25.11	276	24.78
111	23.60	112	25.35	624	25.41	831	25.16	831	24.94
832	23.62	279	25.37	271	25.45	112	25.19	112	24.97
279	23.88	276	25.37	282	25.55	199	25.57	283	25.31
11	23.99	283	25.42	721	25.57	283	25.61	284	25.37
110	24.01	717	25.46	199	25.73	284	25.66	199	25.41
721	24.02	831	25.49	283	25.84	279	25.70	279	25.46
833	24.38	11	25.58	11	25.86	11	25.71	11	25.48
716	24.47	194	25.97	194	25.92	282	25.92	194	25.60
192	24.60	282	26.50	279	25.95	194	25.95	282	25.63
717	25.25	721	26.66	284	27.40	721	25.99	721	25.77
Reg wide	23.03	Reg wide	24.57	Reg wide	24.69	Reg wide	24.63	Reg wide	24.44

C. ELEMENTARY CLASS SIZE STATISTICS & DATA OBSERVATIONS

Elementary class size data are reported for each participating district for grades K, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, combo or ungraded, and Special Education.

Table 9 (pages 20-21) reports the average class sizes for each school district. Districts are ranked from low to high according to the average calculated.

Table 10 (pages 22-23) reports class size maximums and minimums for each school district. Districts are ranked from low to high based upon the maximum class size.

Individual districts that did not submit data required for these tables were excluded from that portion of a table.

Data observations:

- Average class size generally increases with grade level.
- Regionwide, elementary settings most commonly end with 5th grade.
- Average class size shows wide variability across districts.
- Class size range shows wide variability across districts.

Table 9. Elementary Average Class Size by Class Type

Kindergarten		Grade 1		Grade 2		Grade 3		Grade 4	
Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.
14	16.27	277	19.00	13	19.00	108	19.67	14	21.00
720	18.32	272	19.48	200	19.77	270	20.10	108	21.67
271	18.52	831	19.50	831	20.00	271	21.50	272	21.88
11	18.57	14	19.70	14	20.67	280	22.00	280	22.23
108	18.67	13	20.00	277	20.88	831	22.40	199	23.11
200	18.71	200	20.00	721	20.92	283	22.46	271	23.57
270	18.96	271	20.67	272	21.19	200	22.67	270	23.65
624	19.18	280	20.77	283	21.31	14	23.25	200	23.83
272	19.65	720	20.80	108	21.67	277	23.38	624	24.30
716	19.80	110	20.83	271	21.97	624	23.68	283	24.43
284	20.19	276	21.18	199	22.30	622	23.71	720	24.71
112	20.31	833	21.18	110	22.33	111	24.00	832	24.78
833	20.55	11	21.25	282	22.40	276	24.03	716	24.80
199	20.56	199	21.44	280	22.85	284	24.10	282	25.20
721	20.64	832	21.44	720	22.86	832	24.11	831	25.35
13	20.73	284	21.45	284	22.88	282	24.40	13	25.38
622	20.82	624	21.52	622	22.91	272	24.59	277	25.38
832	20.89	279	21.80	276	22.94	279	24.75	622	25.48
831	20.94	622	21.82	111	23.00	110	24.80	279	25.60
111	21.00	192	21.93	279	23.11	717	25.00	192	26.24
192	21.06	282	22.00	624	23.22	112	25.30	721	26.30
276	21.15	717	22.00	112	23.37	720	25.35	194	26.56
110	21.27	194	22.29	192	23.88	194	25.54	111	27.00
277	21.33	283	22.47	194	24.03	199	25.56	112	27.04
194	21.58	716	22.50	833	24.22	833	25.56	276	27.10
279	21.61	111	23.00	11	24.44	721	25.70	284	27.31
283	21.73	270	23.11	832	24.75	716	25.75	11	27.43
280	21.92	108	23.67	270	24.78	192	26.06	833	28.07
282	23.60	112	23.69	716	25.50	11	26.06	110	28.45
717	23.75	721	24.33	717	25.60	13	27.00	717	29.00
Reg wide	20.09	Reg wide	21.42	Reg wide	23.00	Reg wide	24.45	Reg wide	25.81

Table 9. Elementary Average Class Size by Class Type

Grade 5		Grade 6		Combo or Ungraded		Special Education	
Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.
270	21.91	716	24.25	622	12.00	276	3.07
271	22.83	Reg wide	24.25	270	12.88	14	5.17
280	23.17			276	21.30	271	6.33
199	24.11			13	23.67	831	6.50
282	24.60			272	24.00	112	6.92
272	24.86			833	24.10	284	8.33
283	24.92			624	25.50	194	9.48
276	24.94			721	27.00	282	10.00
13	25.75			192	27.33	Reg wide	6.79
720	25.75			112	28.00		
624	25.83			Reg wide	20.93		
832	25.89						
831	26.14						
284	26.16						
279	26.71						
110	26.91						
721	27.22						
622	27.23						
833	27.30						
192	27.59						
11	27.72						
112	28.04						
194	28.44						
716	29.75						
108	31.00						
Reg wide	26.31						

Table 10. Elementary Maximum/Minimum Class Size by Class Type

Kindergarten			Grade 1			Grade 2			Grade 3			Grade 4		
Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min
108	19	18	277	20	18	13	20	18	108	24	11	108	22	21
200	20	17	13	22	18	108	22	21	111	24	24	14	23	19
716	20	19	14	22	16	200	22	17	277	25	22	280	24	19
111	21	21	200	22	19	277	22	19	280	25	19	272	25	11
14	21	13	282	22	22	110	23	21	282	25	24	832	25	24
720	21	14	110	23	19	111	23	23	283	25	19	199	26	19
832	22	20	111	23	23	14	23	18	717	25	25	277	26	24
110	23	19	272	23	16	272	23	20	832	25	23	716	26	24
199	23	17	280	23	18	721	23	19	14	26	20	111	27	27
271	23	4	716	23	22	199	24	19	200	26	18	200	27	18
272	23	15	717	23	21	282	24	22	270	26	12	270	27	18
721	23	18	720	23	19	283	24	16	271	26	13	282	27	24
11	24	12	832	23	20	831	24	14	716	26	25	13	28	21
112	24	16	108	24	23	284	25	19	272	27	22	283	29	22
13	24	18	276	24	14	716	26	25	831	27	13	717	29	29
192	24	18	831	24	9	717	26	24	110	28	22	721	29	23
277	24	19	11	25	16	720	26	19	199	28	21	831	29	19
283	24	20	192	25	17	832	26	24	276	28	18	110	30	24
284	24	17	194	25	19	192	27	22	13	29	25	192	30	24
717	24	23	284	25	18	279	27	16	279	29	18	194	30	23
831	24	18	283	26	19	280	27	19	284	29	21	271	30	7
833	24	17	112	27	22	622	27	12	720	29	20	284	30	24
276	25	14	199	27	15	624	27	18	721	29	22	624	30	19
280	25	20	271	27	2	11	28	20	112	30	22	720	30	16
194	26	16	721	27	23	112	28	20	192	30	23	112	31	20
282	26	22	833	27	14	271	28	9	194	30	19	11	32	21
270	27	11	270	28	17	833	28	18	622	30	15	276	32	23
279	27	13	279	28	13	194	29	17	624	30	20	279	32	18
624	28	16	622	28	11	276	29	19	833	30	21	622	33	19
622	29	17	624	29	17	270	31	21	11	31	18	833	33	19
Reg wide	29	4	Reg wide	29	2	Reg wide	31	9	Reg wide	31	11	Reg wide	33	7

Table 10. Elementary Maximum/Minimum Class Size by Class Type

Grade 5			Grade 6			Combo or Ungraded			Special Education		
Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min
199	25	22	716	26	23	622	12	12	831	7	6
282	26	24	Reg wide	26	23	13	25	21	112	8	5
832	26	25				276	25	13	271	8	3
13	28	24				270	26	6	276	8	1
280	28	19				272	26	22	14	9	3
283	28	23				721	27	27	284	9	8
270	29	10				112	28	28	282	10	10
271	29	13				624	29	22	194	19	4
721	29	26				192	30	23	Reg wide	19	1
716	30	29				833	30	19			
720	30	23				Reg wide	30	6			
108	31	31									
110	31	24									
276	31	19									
624	31	19									
284	32	22									
622	32	24									
831	32	12									
11	33	21									
112	33	22									
194	33	19									
272	33	13									
279	33	17									
833	33	19									
192	34	23									
Reg wide	34	10									

D. JUNIOR SECONDARY CLASS SIZE STATISTICS & DATA OBSERVATIONS

Junior secondary class size data are reported for each participating district in selected subject areas (see page 6 in the Glossary of Terms for a list).

Table 11 (page 25-27) reports the average class sizes for each school district. Districts are ranked from low to high according to the average calculated.

Table 12 (pages 28-30) reports class size maximums and minimums for each school district. Districts are ranked from low to high based upon the maximum class size.

Individual districts that did not submit data required for these tables were excluded from that portion of a table.

Data observations:

- The highest average class sizes regionwide are Music and Physical Education.
- Of the core subjects, Language Arts/English and Math are lower in class size than Science and Social Studies.
- Average class size shows wide variability across districts.
- Class size range shows wide variability across districts.

Table 11. Jr Secondary Average Class Size by Class Type

Art		Business Ed/Marketing		Family & Consumer Science		Health Education		Interdisciplinary Courses	
Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.
108	20.20	194	12.00	279	23.75	14	23.45	108	18.83
200	22.80	284	18.00	111	24.00	280	24.00	271	22.57
199	24.00	831	23.50	271	24.90	279	24.13	277	27.00
110	24.73	272	27.38	720	26.05	108	24.67	272	27.69
14	24.85	720	27.75	831	26.45	272	25.77	110	28.44
280	25.55	192	29.33	276	26.71	271	25.87	270	28.49
279	25.85	833	30.36	717	27.20	717	26.00	13	38.50
717	26.20	Reg wide	27.06	200	27.29	276	26.29	Reg wide	28.32
276	26.34			280	27.40	110	26.75		
721	27.00			112	28.21	720	27.25		
624	27.65			622	29.10	832	27.33		
720	27.86			192	29.13	192	27.67		
192	28.13			284	29.13	11	28.44		
833	28.18			194	29.21	284	28.64		
831	28.82			110	29.40	112	29.20		
272	29.20			11	29.72	199	29.21		
282	29.50			624	30.00	194	29.34		
112	29.59			Reg wide	28.00	282	29.50		
13	29.75					624	29.95		
283	29.85					721	30.63		
284	30.09					111	31.00		
622	30.11					831	31.60		
194	30.22					716	32.50		
271	30.39					Reg wide	28.29		
832	31.08								
270	31.11								
11	31.12								
716	32.00								
Reg wide	28.60								

Table 11. Jr Secondary Average Class Size by Class Type

Language Arts/English		Math		Music		Physical Education		Science	
Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.
192	20.76	832	14.00	271	22.72	14	23.47	13	21.21
271	21.00	108	21.10	192	25.79	13	24.33	280	22.03
622	21.43	716	21.50	284	26.44	108	24.56	108	24.78
280	21.45	622	22.01	283	27.31	280	24.75	832	25.76
270	21.48	13	22.46	199	27.39	717	25.52	276	25.84
110	22.39	272	23.64	833	28.75	192	26.88	717	25.91
13	22.86	280	23.79	276	29.00	194	27.86	272	26.27
108	23.73	11	24.02	279	29.33	279	28.24	192	26.30
11	23.74	270	24.48	272	29.75	110	28.45	110	27.16
717	24.00	110	24.64	622	29.88	283	28.53	277	27.50
272	24.19	112	24.68	832	30.39	833	28.89	716	27.63
111	24.39	199	24.72	270	30.40	721	29.00	200	27.91
832	25.10	717	24.90	14	31.25	276	29.17	111	27.93
112	25.18	192	25.04	11	31.83	200	29.24	283	28.20
276	25.55	111	25.64	112	32.72	284	29.35	622	28.25
200	25.97	276	25.92	13	32.75	199	29.42	720	28.27
283	26.08	283	26.82	717	32.91	716	29.50	279	28.34
199	26.39	200	27.00	280	33.40	112	29.60	831	28.58
277	26.95	720	27.17	111	33.92	271	29.69	270	28.73
716	27.00	277	27.19	194	34.01	272	29.90	199	29.04
720	27.70	284	27.50	108	34.33	720	29.91	271	29.04
279	28.10	14	27.70	624	35.70	282	30.00	194	29.31
284	28.16	271	27.79	831	38.22	270	31.17	284	29.40
194	28.22	194	27.84	716	38.40	11	31.38	14	29.50
282	28.35	831	28.36	720	39.31	832	31.40	11	29.79
831	28.70	279	28.40	200	42.04	277	31.56	282	29.80
624	29.28	833	28.46	282	45.75	831	32.23	721	29.94
14	29.42	624	28.84	110	47.60	622	32.24	112	31.30
833	29.49	282	29.07	721	53.14	624	33.04	624	31.69
721	30.08	721	29.57	Reg wide	30.88	111	34.11	833	32.32
Reg wide	25.68	Reg wide	26.03			Reg wide	29.59	Reg wide	28.61

Table 11. Jr Secondary Average Class Size by Class Type

Social Studies		Special Education		Technology Ed/Computer Science		World Languages	
Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.
13	20.71	108	3.00	108	20.67	14	19.29
280	23.26	111	3.11	13	20.75	831	22.50
717	24.00	271	3.46	717	22.71	717	23.33
108	24.56	110	3.50	200	24.92	276	23.40
192	24.82	14	3.53	279	25.02	280	23.50
270	25.16	277	4.27	112	25.38	283	25.22
111	25.28	624	4.76	276	25.69	721	26.60
276	25.49	276	4.81	271	25.79	272	26.63
831	25.62	284	5.18	720	25.82	279	27.38
622	25.82	831	5.19	721	25.90	112	27.56
832	25.83	200	5.30	624	26.90	720	27.75
200	27.25	833	5.58	284	27.12	13	28.20
194	27.37	720	5.79	110	27.20	832	28.25
199	27.61	112	5.94	831	27.33	284	28.27
110	27.68	192	5.95	283	28.06	11	28.35
716	27.71	282	6.14	622	28.11	270	28.63
279	28.32	280	6.22	272	28.64	192	28.75
272	28.36	716	6.38	282	28.80	622	29.63
271	28.41	194	6.39	716	29.10	624	30.13
282	28.47	272	6.53	194	30.06	194	30.17
720	28.56	721	6.79	11	30.12	833	32.05
284	28.81	11	6.86	277	31.00	Reg wide	26.72
283	29.03	832	7.05	111	32.40		
277	29.36	270	7.23	192	34.00		
11	30.24	13	7.30	Reg wide	27.38		
112	30.65	199	7.63				
624	31.16	279	7.68				
833	31.57	283	8.19				
14	32.83	622	9.54				
Reg wide	28.00	Reg wide	5.90				

Table 12. Jr Secondary Maximum/Minimum Class Size by Class Type

Art			Business Ed/Marketing			Family & Consumer Science			Health Education			Interdisciplinary Courses		
Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min
108	24	18	194	12	12	111	24	24	108	30	21	108	20	18
280	29	21	284	18	18	279	25	23	280	30	18	277	31	21
282	31	27	831	31	13	280	32	23	282	31	28	270	33	13
272	32	25	272	32	21	717	32	21	717	31	18	271	33	16
716	32	32	720	32	23	831	32	19	110	32	15	272	33	20
717	32	22	192	33	22	276	33	11	272	32	13	110	34	22
720	32	17	833	36	19	110	34	25	720	32	22	13	48	31
110	33	4	Reg wide	36	12	194	34	18	192	33	14	Reg wide	48	13
13	33	22				200	34	21	716	33	32			
199	33	16				622	34	23	111	34	28			
200	33	10				624	34	17	276	34	13			
276	33	10				11	35	18	832	34	17			
283	33	22				112	35	18	11	35	19			
624	33	20				192	35	18	199	35	22			
14	34	14				271	35	14	279	35	10			
194	34	24				284	36	19	284	35	17			
721	34	15				720	36	14	721	35	23			
831	34	13				Reg wide	36	11	14	36	17			
832	34	22							194	36	12			
112	35	12							624	36	19			
192	35	15							271	37	12			
833	35	17							112	38	15			
11	36	19							831	39	11			
622	36	24							Reg wide	39	10			
279	38	10												
284	40	15												
271	48	14												
270	56	25												
Reg wide	56	4												

Table 12. Jr Secondary Maximum/Minimum Class Size by Class Type

Language Arts/English			Math			Music			Physical Education			Science		
Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min
108	29	19	832	17	11	199	33	18	280	29	17	108	27	23
717	29	14	199	30	9	283	37	20	108	30	21	280	27	13
110	31	4	108	31	2	14	39	19	13	32	15	277	30	26
13	31	12	282	31	27	276	40	18	282	32	28	717	31	21
282	31	26	717	31	19	832	41	21	716	33	25	110	32	18
111	32	9	110	32	15	277	42	3	14	34	14	111	32	23
280	32	14	13	32	11	271	43	4	272	34	23	282	32	27
283	32	18	283	32	19	716	43	26	283	34	18	716	32	22
199	33	17	831	32	21	111	45	25	110	35	22	832	32	12
200	33	11	272	33	11	622	45	13	194	35	17	13	33	8
276	33	10	276	33	14	272	46	20	199	35	19	272	33	12
720	33	19	720	33	15	11	48	18	717	35	20	283	33	19
831	33	18	270	34	3	284	48	10	721	35	19	831	33	19
832	33	15	277	34	14	280	49	24	271	36	14	200	34	22
192	34	13	622	34	12	112	51	12	11	37	19	276	34	13
270	34	3	111	35	14	624	52	27	192	37	5	11	35	20
272	34	10	192	35	11	13	53	12	832	37	20	192	35	12
277	34	18	284	35	12	279	55	13	111	38	31	199	35	22
716	34	20	721	35	23	192	57	15	624	38	24	270	35	7
194	35	5	112	36	10	270	57	19	277	39	27	624	35	20
11	36	5	194	36	5	108	58	17	279	39	13	720	35	18
284	36	14	200	36	11	110	59	23	831	39	14	721	35	18
622	36	11	11	37	4	833	61	10	112	40	15	112	36	24
624	36	16	280	37	16	282	62	33	622	40	22	271	36	14
721	36	21	624	37	18	831	62	26	200	41	15	284	36	16
112	37	11	716	37	6	194	63	11	284	41	12	622	36	16
271	37	2	14	38	12	717	63	15	720	42	19	279	37	12
279	37	16	279	38	16	720	64	19	276	44	17	14	38	21
833	38	10	833	39	10	721	70	19	833	44	10	194	38	5
14	40	21	271	42	13	200	79	24	270	50	21	833	40	23
Reg wide	40	2	Reg wide	42	2	Reg wide	79	3	Reg wide	50	5	Reg wide	40	5

Table 12. Jr Secondary Maximum/Minimum Class Size by Class Type

Social Studies			Special Education			Technology Ed/Computer Science			World Languages		
Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min
108	29	20	108	5	1	108	24	17	280	31	8
717	29	18	14	5	1	717	26	18	14	32	10
280	30	13	110	7	1	13	32	11	192	32	27
111	31	18	111	7	1	272	32	23	272	32	19
282	31	25	277	7	1	282	32	26	276	32	10
110	32	15	276	8	1	720	32	18	720	32	17
13	32	10	282	8	3	831	32	18	831	32	4
277	32	25	13	11	4	276	33	11	832	32	21
199	33	21	200	11	1	283	33	19	13	33	24
200	33	22	272	11	1	716	33	25	283	33	14
272	33	15	280	11	3	110	34	21	717	33	17
283	33	20	284	11	1	192	34	34	194	34	24
720	33	19	720	11	1	200	34	17	279	35	19
832	33	15	283	12	1	277	34	26	284	35	19
276	34	14	832	12	2	284	34	18	622	35	24
716	34	23	112	13	3	624	34	18	624	35	22
192	35	13	192	13	2	194	35	26	721	35	19
194	35	5	194	13	1	271	35	16	11	36	15
270	35	7	271	14	1	622	35	22	833	36	25
284	35	11	624	14	1	721	35	19	112	37	11
624	35	23	721	14	2	11	36	18	270	57	19
11	36	22	831	15	1	111	36	28	Reg wide	57	4
112	36	18	833	15	1	112	37	12			
271	36	14	11	16	1	279	38	9			
622	36	12	622	16	4	Reg wide	38	9			
831	37	16	716	16	1						
14	38	29	199	17	1						
279	38	15	279	17	3						
833	40	21	270	20	1						
Reg wide	40	5	Reg wide	20	1						

E. SENIOR SECONDARY CLASS SIZE STATISTICS & DATA OBSERVATIONS

Senior secondary class size data are reported for each participating district in selected subject areas (see page 6 in the Glossary of Terms for a list).

Table 13 (pages 32-34) reports the average class sizes for each school district. Districts are ranked from low to high according to the average calculated.

Table 14 (pages 35-37) reports class size maximums and minimums for each school district. Districts are ranked from low to high based upon the maximum class size.

Individual districts that did not submit data required for these tables were excluded from that portion of a table.

Data observations:

- The highest average class sizes regionwide are Health Education, Music, and Physical Education.
- Of the core subjects, Language Arts/English, Math, and Science are lower in class size than Social Studies.
- Average class size shows wide variability across districts.
- Class size range shows wide variability across districts.

Table 13. Sr Secondary Average Class Size by Class Type

Art		Business Ed/Marketing		Family & Consumer Science		Health Education		Language Arts/English	
Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.
200	15.85	280	17.33	283	7.00	280	24.80	272	21.40
111	19.20	111	19.00	112	17.67	717	24.83	277	22.63
717	19.42	108	19.50	111	20.80	720	25.57	622	23.11
270	20.06	200	23.44	717	22.44	111	26.00	111	24.11
108	20.75	276	24.17	276	22.93	272	26.86	14	24.41
277	20.82	283	25.36	194	25.40	282	27.00	717	24.54
280	22.28	720	25.90	622	25.78	13	28.20	280	24.61
832	24.22	622	26.46	192	25.92	270	28.45	13	25.18
199	24.60	277	26.75	832	26.00	108	28.67	192	25.29
716	25.00	272	26.83	720	26.68	283	29.00	720	25.47
284	25.17	14	27.00	279	27.13	831	29.07	270	25.53
112	26.63	192	27.53	721	27.63	624	29.13	199	25.54
110	27.00	110	27.75	831	27.83	14	29.60	108	25.55
279	27.34	279	28.03	280	27.90	200	29.64	276	26.82
276	27.70	11	28.14	11	28.18	199	29.67	282	27.00
720	28.00	199	28.35	282	28.75	279	29.84	283	27.00
194	28.41	721	28.40	272	28.80	832	30.25	721	27.07
721	28.60	717	28.58	14	29.50	11	30.70	716	27.50
272	28.65	832	28.75	284	30.11	110	31.00	11	27.66
271	28.75	716	29.60	624	30.28	277	31.50	110	27.72
13	29.00	282	29.80	110	30.33	716	31.50	279	27.75
192	29.00	833	30.15	200	30.80	194	31.95	832	28.28
283	29.04	194	30.24	13	30.83	721	32.25	831	28.31
622	29.30	112	30.33	271	31.27	284	32.78	833	28.50
282	29.89	831	30.64	833	31.90	622	33.11	200	28.51
831	30.00	284	30.95	270	35.33	271	34.57	112	28.91
11	30.04	624	31.69	Reg wide	27.88	192	36.20	194	29.42
14	30.33	270	33.55			Reg wide	29.86	284	29.93
833	31.21	13	33.63					624	30.02
624	32.80	271	34.29					271	30.06
Reg wide	27.02	Reg wide	28.29					Reg wide	27.03

Table 13. Sr Secondary Average Class Size by Class Type

Math		Music		Physical Education		Science		Social Studies	
Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.
111	20.23	14	24.83	200	20.18	111	18.77	108	24.23
108	23.08	283	25.40	717	21.64	272	22.79	272	24.37
272	23.42	832	26.33	108	23.38	717	24.05	13	26.21
622	23.64	110	26.50	111	23.86	277	24.69	111	26.31
717	24.27	112	26.53	832	24.57	108	25.00	276	26.46
199	24.34	622	28.13	280	25.32	280	25.76	277	26.82
192	25.10	717	28.60	277	26.00	716	25.94	280	26.90
110	25.13	833	29.12	110	27.57	832	25.94	622	27.29
832	25.82	282	29.67	199	27.69	192	26.15	110	27.42
277	26.71	270	30.10	282	28.57	13	26.37	279	27.70
720	27.08	271	31.26	279	28.75	270	26.52	720	27.84
721	27.18	280	31.67	833	28.83	622	26.67	14	27.86
282	27.24	277	32.50	11	29.57	14	27.22	282	27.90
831	27.35	279	33.18	272	29.65	276	27.32	717	28.00
270	27.45	11	34.72	194	29.67	200	27.78	192	28.84
200	27.82	192	35.00	721	30.17	199	28.38	200	29.04
624	27.91	194	35.17	14	30.18	721	28.42	721	29.32
279	28.02	831	35.50	284	30.39	112	28.47	270	29.37
112	28.11	276	36.38	270	31.05	194	28.47	283	29.48
11	28.15	111	38.25	112	31.15	279	28.59	11	29.84
283	28.38	200	38.25	622	31.29	271	28.67	199	29.93
14	28.44	13	38.64	192	31.32	282	28.81	832	30.09
716	28.53	716	41.60	276	32.20	831	29.32	833	30.30
194	28.59	284	43.04	720	32.26	720	29.37	194	30.64
280	28.80	721	43.29	283	32.92	110	29.43	716	30.65
271	28.81	272	43.71	716	33.20	11	29.48	112	31.09
13	29.19	720	44.88	831	33.58	284	29.63	624	31.10
276	29.80	199	45.13	624	33.68	283	29.87	284	31.13
284	29.86	624	45.23	271	34.32	624	30.32	271	31.41
833	30.43	108	47.50	13	39.15	833	31.71	831	31.84
Reg wide	27.46	Reg wide	34.47	Reg wide	29.62	Reg wide	28.18	Reg wide	29.01

Table 13. Sr Secondary Average Class Size by Class Type

Special Education		Technology Ed/Computer Science		Work Experience Program		World Languages	
Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.	Dist.	Avg.
14	3.57	277	15.33	194	3.67	108	18.67
277	5.04	272	18.84	272	3.67	717	21.00
832	5.16	276	19.19	277	5.00	832	21.14
192	5.19	717	19.40	283	5.00	280	21.67
108	5.25	112	20.00	721	6.00	720	22.04
110	5.43	720	20.85	108	6.11	831	23.33
717	5.48	283	21.25	112	6.40	14	23.88
282	5.50	721	21.42	624	7.22	111	24.00
200	5.55	111	21.64	13	10.14	192	24.38
833	5.60	194	21.92	831	10.43	277	24.48
276	5.70	832	22.00	720	13.75	283	24.50
270	5.92	192	22.36	200	14.95	200	24.51
199	5.93	716	23.00	279	16.89	276	25.54
831	6.20	831	23.93	192	17.75	279	25.55
111	6.32	270	24.00	832	21.00	272	26.18
112	6.37	11	24.08	111	21.17	721	26.46
720	6.48	279	24.28	282	21.50	282	26.92
280	6.60	282	24.75	717	25.00	110	27.00
11	6.72	622	25.00	716	30.00	112	27.42
272	6.73	13	25.18	110	47.00	199	28.03
194	6.75	624	25.27	Reg wide	11.98	270	28.09
716	7.05	271	25.53			194	28.26
271	7.29	14	26.50			271	28.42
624	7.38	284	31.07			622	28.46
279	7.97	Reg wide	22.70			11	29.51
283	8.46					284	30.00
284	9.43					624	30.00
622	9.61					716	30.00
721	9.83					833	30.16
13	11.64					13	30.58
Reg wide	6.73					Reg wide	26.74

Table 14. Sr Secondary Maximum/Minimum Class Size by Class Type

Art			Business Ed/Marketing			Family & Consumer Science			Health Education			Language Arts/English		
Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min
717	26	7	280	29	6	283	7	7	111	26	26	108	31	21
277	28	12	108	30	3	112	27	6	282	31	23	717	32	13
108	29	10	716	31	28	111	28	16	717	31	21	111	33	10
716	29	14	111	32	6	282	30	28	108	32	23	277	33	9
282	32	26	277	32	18	14	31	26	110	32	29	720	33	13
279	33	12	717	32	24	717	31	15	280	32	20	832	33	18
720	33	19	720	32	17	720	32	14	716	32	31	14	34	11
721	33	14	282	33	25	721	32	24	277	33	30	272	34	9
110	34	19	832	33	24	13	33	29	832	33	24	276	34	8
111	34	6	14	34	18	276	33	8	272	34	17	282	34	21
272	34	14	192	34	13	279	33	12	284	34	31	716	34	21
832	34	11	272	34	2	284	33	25	720	34	15	721	34	19
200	35	5	276	34	9	622	33	12	721	34	29	110	35	18
276	35	8	622	34	16	831	33	23	13	35	21	284	35	15
284	35	4	110	35	20	832	33	19	279	35	20	13	36	13
622	35	13	13	35	32	194	34	9	11	36	12	192	36	9
192	36	10	284	35	8	624	34	27	14	36	19	199	36	10
194	36	9	721	35	16	192	35	16	199	36	22	279	36	14
270	36	6	199	36	22	200	35	21	200	36	19	622	36	9
280	36	6	279	36	14	272	35	16	283	36	16	624	36	14
624	36	21	624	36	18	280	36	17	624	37	17	280	37	15
831	36	15	200	37	19	833	36	23	192	38	35	831	37	11
833	36	10	283	37	13	270	37	31	270	38	18	833	37	10
13	37	3	11	38	14	11	38	10	622	38	28	194	38	7
14	37	20	194	38	12	271	38	17	831	38	15	200	38	14
283	38	16	270	39	26	110	40	19	194	39	14	270	38	7
112	39	8	831	39	4	Reg wide	40	6	271	40	28	283	38	11
199	40	3	833	39	20				Reg wide	40	12	11	39	4
271	40	6	112	40	3							271	51	7
11	42	10	271	41	11							112	54	10
Reg wide	42	3	Reg wide	41	2							Reg wide	54	4

Table 14. Sr Secondary Maximum/Minimum Class Size by Class Type

Math			Music			Physical Education			Science			Social Studies		
Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min
108	30	13	110	39	14	717	31	8	111	28	3	108	32	11
111	32	8	832	39	10	108	32	13	717	30	14	277	33	11
277	32	17	14	44	6	832	32	10	108	31	12	282	33	15
717	32	14	622	44	17	111	33	9	272	32	12	717	33	17
110	33	15	277	47	13	277	35	18	832	32	11	272	34	10
282	33	18	199	48	44	280	35	12	277	33	8	716	34	25
720	33	18	717	48	8	282	35	22	716	33	19	832	34	16
716	34	18	192	49	20	284	35	19	720	34	17	14	35	17
192	35	5	280	49	10	272	36	11	276	35	8	276	35	8
199	35	8	283	49	15	276	37	21	280	35	11	720	35	16
272	35	8	112	50	9	14	38	17	282	35	22	110	36	16
276	35	8	13	50	31	270	38	18	284	35	15	192	36	5
284	35	12	111	51	19	720	38	25	110	36	15	199	36	7
721	35	13	833	51	14	11	39	12	14	36	13	279	36	13
832	35	16	270	56	19	194	39	15	192	36	4	280	36	11
14	36	19	279	57	13	200	39	5	622	36	9	624	36	20
280	36	13	282	57	15	716	39	28	624	36	22	721	36	14
624	36	19	276	60	9	721	39	19	721	36	14	284	37	17
112	37	5	721	62	25	112	40	11	112	37	14	833	37	20
13	37	7	720	65	30	192	40	12	199	37	2	11	38	14
194	37	12	271	66	3	199	40	7	11	38	12	13	38	10
200	37	9	831	66	12	283	41	21	13	38	13	200	38	17
622	37	12	200	67	13	831	41	19	194	38	10	270	38	19
270	38	4	272	68	19	833	41	11	279	38	10	622	38	11
833	38	14	716	69	25	622	42	16	831	38	10	831	38	20
271	39	5	624	70	17	279	43	11	833	38	15	283	39	15
831	39	9	11	72	5	110	47	12	200	39	15	111	40	13
11	40	4	108	79	16	13	47	30	270	40	8	112	40	7
279	41	12	194	100	13	271	78	8	283	41	11	271	41	8
283	44	14	284	155	15	624	89	23	271	48	5	194	42	14
Reg wide	44	4	Reg wide	155	3	Reg wide	89	5	Reg wide	48	2	Reg wide	42	5

Table 14. Sr Secondary Maximum/Minimum Class Size by Class Type

Special Education			Technology Ed/Computer Science			Work Experience Program			World Languages		
Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min	Dist.	Max	Min
199	9	1	832	22	22	277	5	5	280	30	4
14	10	1	717	25	7	283	5	5	717	30	13
277	10	1	277	26	5	194	6	2	832	30	12
282	10	2	283	26	18	272	6	2	192	31	13
110	11	1	721	27	14	112	8	4	277	31	16
200	11	1	276	28	8	108	13	1	720	31	10
716	11	1	282	28	15	624	14	5	282	32	13
832	11	1	720	28	8	720	19	13	272	33	16
108	12	1	192	30	16	192	20	15	716	33	22
276	12	1	270	30	20	282	22	21	721	33	17
717	12	1	716	30	9	13	23	2	111	34	8
831	12	1	272	31	8	717	27	23	14	34	7
111	13	2	622	31	14	832	27	15	276	34	10
112	13	3	831	31	11	716	30	30	200	35	4
720	13	1	111	32	9	721	31	1	284	35	15
192	14	1	112	32	4	831	34	2	622	35	15
194	14	1	13	33	14	279	36	10	624	35	25
272	14	1	279	33	10	111	45	5	194	36	11
11	15	1	14	35	9	200	46	4	199	36	14
271	15	1	194	35	10	110	47	47	283	36	9
833	15	1	284	35	19	Reg wide	47	1	831	36	6
283	16	1	624	35	14				13	37	14
280	17	1	11	36	10				110	39	11
624	17	1	271	38	3				112	39	7
721	17	3	Reg wide	38	3				279	39	3
279	18	2							11	40	13
284	18	2							270	40	17
270	19	1							833	42	10
622	19	2							271	47	4
13	23	1							108	67	1
Reg wide	23	1							Reg wide	67	1

APPENDIX

30 PARTICIPATING DISTRICTS

Alphabetical Listing

11 Anoka-Hennepin
716 Belle Plaine
271 Bloomington
108 Central
13 Columbia Heights
112 Eastern Carver County
272 Eden Prairie
192 Farmington
831 Forest Lake
14 Fridley
200 Hastings
270 Hopkins
199 Inver Grove Heights
717 Jordan
194 Lakeville
832 Mahtomedi
276 Minnetonka
721 New Prague
622 North St. Paul
279 Osseo
280 Richfield
720 Shakopee
833 South Washington County
282 St. Anthony-New Brighton
283 St. Louis Park
110 Waconia
111 Watertown-Mayer
284 Wayzata
277 Westonka
624 White Bear Lake

District Number Listing

11 Anoka-Hennepin
13 Columbia Heights
14 Fridley
108 Central
110 Waconia
111 Watertown Mayer
112 Eastern Carver County
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194 Lakeville
199 Inver Grove Heights
200 Hastings
270 Hopkins
271 Bloomington
272 Eden Prairie
276 Minnetonka
277 Westonka
279 Osseo
280 Richfield
282 St. Anthony-New Brighton
283 St. Louis Park
284 Wayzata
622 North St. Paul
624 White Bear Lake
716 Belle Plaine
717 Jordan
720 Shakopee
721 New Prague
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833 South Washington County



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DATE: September 23, 2025
TO: Class Size Study District Contact Persons
FROM: Angela Skrade, Class Size Study Coordinator
RE: Directions for the Annual Class Size Study 2025-2026

BrightWorks (Formerly Metro ECSU) is collecting school district data for the 7-county metro area Class Size Study. This study will give districts a point of comparison for class size across the metro area for the 2025-2026 school year. BrightWorks would greatly appreciate your help in collecting the data for this study. All districts that submit data will receive a copy of the BrightWorks Class Size Study when it is released in February.

Class Size Reported as of October 1, 2025:

District data should reflect fall semester class sizes as of October 1, 2025. Please do not update your data to reflect changes made after October 1. It is important that all districts report data from the same time period.

Reporting Format:

With this letter you should have three different Excel spreadsheets for data reporting. Each file is designed for one school level as follows:

- Elementary
- Junior Secondary, Middle School, or First Part of Six-Year Secondary
- Senior Secondary or Second Part of Six-Year Secondary

Each entry in Excel consists of: District Number, Class Type (elementary grades or secondary subjects), Number of Classes and Class Size. These are called fields.

Each file contains a data entry sample and a list of acceptable values for the Class Type field. Note that the Class Type field has a drop-down list of values from which to choose; you do not have to type them.

Example:

Suppose St. Paul Public Schools (district 625) had the following Language Arts/English classes in a middle school: one class of 18, four classes of 22, and twelve classes of 24.

- Use the Junior Secondary Excel Spreadsheet.
- Enter three lines of data, as follows.

District Nbr	Class Type	Nbr Classes	Class Size
625	Language Arts/English	1	18
625	Language Arts/English	4	22
625	Language Arts/English	12	24

Mode of Collection:

If data is compiled at the district level (as is often the case in smaller districts), use one of each of the three Excel files to record the data.

If data is collected from a number of building level contacts, please distribute the appropriate Excel file(s) to each school. Also include a copy of this letter. Instruct building contacts to respond in a timely fashion—we suggest that you give them a due date of November 14, 2025. Data is due to BrightWorks by November 21, 2025.

Once the data from each building is collected, please aggregate (copy and paste) school data for the district into the three school level Excel files (elementary, jr. secondary and sr. secondary). Please send only the three *district* aggregate data files (along with any comments) to BrightWorks.

Do not commingle elementary, junior secondary or senior secondary data. Keep each type of data in its respective Excel file.

Detailed Guidance for Reporting Data:

Please review the Detailed Guidance for Reporting Data on page 3 of this letter. We've included specific examples and instructions to help you accurately report your data.

Deadline:

Submit your data to BrightWorks by November 21, 2025. Please include your contact information in the space provided in the Excel files so that we know who to contact with questions about the data.

If you do not submit your data by November 21, we cannot guarantee that it will be included in the study. All districts that submit data will receive a copy of the BrightWorks Class Size Study when it is released in February.

Questions:

If you have any questions or are unsure how to report particular data, please contact Angela Skrade, Class Size Study Coordinator, at angela.skrade@brightworksmn.org or 612-638-1528. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance.

Detailed Guidance for Reporting Data

Class Type Options

Provide class size information for the Class Types listed in the drop-down menu only. BrightWorks does not attempt to include all possible Class Types. Rather, it is a snapshot of classes most frequently offered at each grade level across the metro Twin Cities public schools. Examples of Class Types not collected are: Independent Study, Alternative Learning Programs, ELL, and College Readiness Classes (e.g. AVID).

If your school does not offer a particular Class Type, do not list it or enter any data.

If you are unsure how to classify a specific course, please contact Angela Skrade, Class Size Study Coordinator.

Combo or Ungraded Class Type (elementary only)

Include classes that combine grade levels (combo) or arrange classes by student achievement level (ungraded).

Interdisciplinary Class Type (jr. secondary only)

Include classes that combine 2 or more Class Types at the jr. secondary level. This is for entire courses, not just units of study.

Special Education Class Type

Special education students should be counted with the general education class to which they are assigned. Students in special education classes are counted separately if they are comprised only of special education students who spend the majority of their time in that class.

Multiple Groups per Teacher (jr. and sr. secondary only)

Include classes that combine students with the same teacher in the same classroom with students learning material at different levels. For example, if the same teacher provides instruction for German 5 and German 6 in the same classroom at the same time, this should be considered one World Languages class.

Multiple Teachers per Group

In situations where there are two or more certified teachers assigned to a section or group of students, this should be reported as if there were multiple sections of the class with one teacher each. It would be assumed that teachers share essentially equal student "loads." Examples:

- 2 certified teachers/41 students: Report as 1 class of 20 and 1 class of 21
- 4 certified teachers + 1 half-time teacher/90 students: Report as 4 classes of 20 and 1 class of 10 (allows for the half-time person to have half the # of students)

$$4n + .5n = 90$$

$$n = \# \text{ students for full time teacher}$$

Some rounding may be necessary to maintain # students (n) as whole numbers.

Questions

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