



## **Policy: IIB**

### **Section: Section I - Instruction**

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Classes shall have a minimum of 12 students at the time of initial scheduling to be held for the coming school year. Classes shall have a maximum of 24 students unless specified below. If the class exceeds the specified maximum size or falls below the recommended minimum outlined in this policy, the Principal shall consult with the Superintendent. Any exceptions to these limits must be approved in advance by the Superintendent or their designee.

<b>Course</b>	<b>Maximum</b>
Band	40
Choir/Chorus	40
Computer Based Courses	Number of computers in the lab
Family and Consumer Science	16
Physical Education	30

Classes may have fewer than 12 students if one or more of the following are met:

- † The class is one specifically designed to be small, i.e., remedial classes, special education classes, etc.
- † The class is designed to meet state minimum standards.
- † The class is a capstone course in a series, i.e., Spanish 4 in the Spanish 1-4 program.
- † The class is an AP Course.

In determining the sections, the Board and the administration will consider the needs of learners, current best practices, and the demands of the programs and standards.

Preferred maximum class size for Mathematics, Science, Language Arts, Social Studies, and Foreign Languages should be targeted at 20 students.

The Superintendent will notify the School Board each school year of the projected course enrollment numbers in May and the current course enrollment numbers in October.

This policy should be reviewed and evaluated annually by the School Board.

#### Legal References:

*NH Code of Administrative Rules, Section Ed. 306.17, Class Size*

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