

La Grande School District 1

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Class Size Guidelines

The Board is aware that individual class size has bearing upon effective teaching. It, therefore, directs the superintendent to work with principals in establishing a reasonable and equitable class enrollment for each teacher.

The Board understands that achieving this goal is dependent upon the financial ability of the district. In determining the size of various classes, the administration will consider the following factors:

1. Balanced distribution of learning abilities will help the teacher be most effective with the students in class.
2. The experience of the teacher and his/her familiarity with the district's programs and policies.
3. Distribution among teachers of out-of-class activities.
4. Required preparation and correction time for the particular class.

However, class student/teacher ratio shall represent the average number of students per district funded classroom teacher. The following are suggested guidelines for budgeting purposes:

1. Elementary Level:
 - a. K – One teacher for each 22;
 - b. 1-3 – One teacher for each 25;
 - c. 4-5 – One teacher for each 28.
2. Middle School: One teacher for each 30 students.
3. High School: One teacher for each 30 students.

Every effort will be made to provide adequate staff to provide for the implementation of the adopted curriculum.

END OF POLICY

Legal Reference(s):

[ORS 243.650](#)

[OAR 581-022-1630](#)

Tualatin Valley Bargaining Council v. Tigard Sch. Dist., No. UP-120-87, 11 PUB. EMPL. COLL. BARG. REP. 53 (ERB 1988).