Raymond School District Policy - IO

CLASS SIZE

The School Board is aware that 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. The type of load that will help the teacher be most effective with the students in the class
- 2. The experience of the teacher and his/her familiarity with Raymond programs and policies
- 3. Required preparation and correction time for the particular class
- 4. The degree of need for individualization of instruction.

The District will strive for equity in case manager caseload assignment by taking into account the number of students and the nature of their disabilities.

As a general guideline, administration will adhere to the following maximum class sizes:

a. Preschool/Kindergarten	15 students per class
b. Grades 1 through 3	18 students per class
c. Grades 4 through 8	22 students per class
d. Grades 9 through 12	25 students per class

As a general guideline, the minimum class size will be 10, with a minimum of 8 for Honors classes; exceptions may be made by the Superintendent in consultation with the School Board.

Class size guidelines will not apply to Advanced Placement classes, Honors Physics, upper level foreign language classes, or remedial classes.

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