CLASS SIZE - CLASS GROUPING

The scope and size of the staff will be adequate to provide the best possible education according to class size. The size of each class will depend upon the type of instruction needed to assist each student to develop academic and occupational capacities to the utmost. Effective staff utilization will also be considered in organizing and scheduling classroom instruction.

The recommended class size for each level of instruction should be:

- 1. Primary grades (K-3) should strive to maintain a range of 20-24 students to every one teacher for instruction.
- 2. All other grades (4-12) should not exceed 30 students per class with class range from 25-30 for conventional academic classes.
- 3. In Middle and High School, the average total number of students per teacher per day should not exceed 30 per class. (Exception may occur in classes such as physical education, band, choir, etc.)
- 4. In cases where a heavy concentration of pupils occurs, an occasional class size may be above the suggested recommendation for a temporary time.

Legal Reference: Iowa Code §§ 279.8; 280.3 (2013).

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