

# Washington West Supervisory Union Model Policy

## Policy G14-R

### G14-R: CLASS SIZE

#### Policy

It is the intent of the member district schools of the Washington West Supervisory Union: Fayston Elementary School, Harwood Union High School, Moretown Elementary School, Waitsfield Elementary School, Warren Elementary School, and the Waterbury/Duxbury Union School District (Crossett Brook Middle School and Thatcher Brook Primary School) to comply with Sections 15 and 16 of Act 153 of 2010<sup>1</sup> requiring superintendents to work with school boards to develop policy procedures for minimum and optimal average class sizes in regular and technical education classes. Class size procedures will be used to inform annual decisions related to staffing and program offerings.

#### Implementation

1. The superintendent or his or her designee shall, in consultation with building principals, develop for each member school within the Washington West Supervisory Union class minimum and optimum average class size procedures that take into account the instructional needs of specific elementary grade intervals and required and elective courses at the secondary level, including independent study.
2. Class size procedures in the supervisory union may vary from school to school as necessary to reflect differences among school districts due to geography and other factors, such as school size and programmatic needs.
3. The procedures shall also ensure compliance with state or federal requirements.
4. The superintendent shall report to each Board at least annually on the implementation of this policy, and shall include in his or her report information related to the use of the procedures in determining actual class sizes and program offerings in the schools within the supervisory union.
5. The Vermont Department of Education's *Class Size Policy Guidelines* shall be considered in developing Washington West Supervisory Union class size procedures.
6. This policy shall be posted on the supervisory union's Web site and forwarded to the Commissioner of Education by January 15, 2011<sup>2</sup>.

Date Warned: 12.24.10

Date Adopted: FES 01.11.11, HU 01.05.11, MES 01.07.11, WWSU 01.12.11, W-D 01.11.11, WES 01.10.11, WS 01.05.11

Legal Reference(s)

Cross Reference

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<sup>1</sup> Section 15 Act 153 of 2010 requires superintendents to work with the school boards of the member districts to develop and implement policies regarding minimum and optimal average class sizes for regular and technical education classes. The policies may be supervisory union-wide, may be course or grade specific, and may reflect differences among school districts due to geography and other factors ~ 16 V.S.A. § 242(5).

<sup>2</sup> School District-Specific Minimum and Optimal Average Class Size Model Policy & Guidelines (September 8, 2010).

### FAYSTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2016-17

GRADE	Number of Students	Number of CORE Teachers	AVERAGE Class Size (by Grade)	AVERAGE Class Size (Grade Clusters)	AVERAGE Class Size (Model Clusters)	MINIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per WVSU Policy)	MAXIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per State Board)
K	7	1	7				
1	11	1	10	9.333333333	9.75	14	20
2	10	1	11				
3	11	1	11	14.5		14	
4	18	1	18		15.67		
5	17	1	17	14.5		14	25
6	12	1	12				
7	-	-	-	-	-	14	
8	-	-	-	-	-		
<b>TOTALS</b>	86	7	12.29				

Data as of 11/28/16

### MORETOWN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2016-17

CLASS	Number of Students	Number of Classes	AVERAGE Class Size	AVERAGE Class Size (Grade Clusters)	AVERAGE Class Size (Model Clusters)	MINIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per WVSU Policy)	MAXIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per State Board)
Art	86	7	12.29				
Foreign Lang.	86	7	12.29				
Music	86	7	12.29				
PE	86	7	12.29				
GRADE	Number of Students	Number of CORE Teachers	AVERAGE Class Size (by Grade)	AVERAGE Class Size (Grade Clusters)	AVERAGE Class Size (Model Clusters)	MINIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per WVSU Policy)	MAXIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per State Board)
K	16	1	16				
1	16	1	16	15.333333333	15.25	14	20
2	14	1	14				
3	15	1	15	15		14	
4	15	1	15		14.00		
5	12	1	12	13.5		14	25
6	15	1	15				
7	-	-	-	-	-	14	
8	-	-	-	-	-		
<b>TOTALS</b>	103	7	14.71				

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CLASS	Number of Students	Number of Classes	AVERAGE Class Size
Art	103	7	14.71
Foreign Lang.	103	7	14.71
Music	103	7	14.71
PE	103	7	14.71

### WAITSFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2016-17

GRADE	Number of Students	Number of CORE Teachers	AVERAGE Class Size (by Grade)	AVERAGE Class Size (Grade Clusters)	AVERAGE Class Size (Whole Clusters)	MINIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per WMSU Policy)	MAXIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per State Board)
K	14	1	14				
1	10	1	10	14.33333333	14.75	14	20
2	19	1	19				
3	16	1	16				
4	15	1	15	15.50		14	
5	15	1	15	18.5	17.33	14	25
6	22	1	22				
7	-	-	-				
8	-	-	-				
TOTALS	111	7	15.86				

CLASS	Number of Students	Number of Classes	AVERAGE Class Size
Art	111	7	15.86
Foreign Lang.	111	7	15.86
Music	111	7	15.86
PE	111	7	15.86

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### WARREN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL 2016-17

GRADE	Number of Students	Number of CORE Teachers	AVERAGE Class Size (by Grade)	AVERAGE Class Size (Grade Clusters)	AVERAGE Class Size (Mobile Clusters)	MINIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per WMSU Policy)	MAXIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per State Board)
K	20	1	20				
1	17	1	17	20.33333333	19.50	14	20
2	24	1	24				
3	17	1	17				
4	18	1	18	17.50		14	
5	24	1.5	16	14.67	15.50	14	25
6	20	1.5	13.33333333				
7	-	-	-				
8	-	-	-				
TOTALS	140	8	17.90				

CLASS	Number of Students	Number of Classes	AVERAGE Class Size
Art	140	8	17.50
Foreign Lang.	0	0	#DIV/0!
Music	140	8	17.50
PE	140	8	17.50

Data as of 11/28/16



### THATCHER BROOK PRIMARY SCHOOL 2016-17

GRADE	Number of Students	Number of CORE Teachers	AVERAGE Class Size (by Grade)	AVERAGE Class Size (Grade Clusters)	AVERAGE Class Size (Model Clusters)	MINIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per WWSU Policy)	MAXIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per State Board)
K	82	5	16.40	17.62	18.00	14	20
1	67	4	16.75				
2	80	4	20				
3	77	4	19.25	19.00	18.75	14	25
4	75	4	18.75			14	
5			-				
6			-				
7			-				
8			-			14	
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>18.23</b>				

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CLASS	Number of Students	Number of Classes	AVERAGE Class Size
Art	381	21	18.14
Foreign Lang.	0	0	n/a
Music	381	21	18.14
PE	381	21	18.14

### CROSSETT BROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL 2016-17

GRADE	Number of Students	Number of CORE Teachers	AVERAGE Class Size (by Grade)	AVERAGE Class Size (Grade Clusters)	AVERAGE Class Size (Model Clusters)	MINIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per WWSU Policy)	MAXIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per State Board)
K	-	-	-	-	-	14	20
1	-	-	-				
2	-	-	-				
3	-	-	-				
4	-	-	-				
5	70	3.5	20.00	21.00	18.53	14	25
6	77	3.5	22.00				
7	70	4	17.50	16.38			
8	61	4	15.25				
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>278</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18.69</b>				

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CLASS	Number of Students	Number of Classes	AVERAGE Class Size
Art	274	12	22.83
Foreign Lang.	270	12	22.50
Health	190	9	21.11
Music	429	17	25.24
PE	274	12	22.83
Tech Ed	273	12	22.75

## HARWOOD UNION HIGH SCHOOL 2016-17

GRADE	Number of Students	Number of CORE Teachers	AVERAGE Class Size (by Grade)	AVERAGE Class Size (Grades 9-12)	AVERAGE Class Size (Middle Cluster)	MINIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per WWSU Policy)	MAXIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster (per State Board)
4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	77	4	19.25	19.00	19.00	14	25
8	75	4	18.75	19.00	19.00	14	25
9			#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	13	25
10			#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	13	25
11			#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	13	25
12			#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	13	25
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>8</b>					

CLASS	Number of Students	Number of Classes	AVERAGE Class Size
Art	376	32	11.75
Business	0	0	#DIV/0!
Drivers Ed	46	10	4.60
English	476	23	20.70
FACS	0	0	#DIV/0!
Foreign Lang.	401	28	14.32
Health	288	14	20.57
Math	504	32	15.75
Music	335	17	19.71
PE	583	32	18.22
Science	487	36	13.53
SS	294	17	17.29
Tech Ed	270	19	14.21

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**WASHINGTON WEST SUPERVISORY UNION 2016-17**

GRADE	Number of Students	Number of CORE Teachers	AVERAGE Class Size <small>(per grade)</small>	AVERAGE Class Size <small>(Overall)</small>	AVERAGE Class Size <small>(Model)</small>	MINIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster <small>(per WWSU Policy)</small>	MAXIMUM AVERAGE per Grade Cluster <small>(per State Board)</small>
K	139	9	15.44				
1	121	8	15.13	16.28	16.45	14	20
2	187	8	18.38				
3	136	8	17.00	17.31		14	
4	141	8	17.63				
5	138	8	17.25	17.75	17.70	14	25
6	146	8	18.25				
7	147	8	18.38	17.69		14	
8	136	8	17.00				
9	0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		
10	0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		
11	0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		
12	0	0	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>1251</b>	<b>0</b>				<b>13</b>	<b>25</b>

CLASS	Number of Students	Number of Classes	AVERAGE Class Size
Art	1471	94	15.65
Business Drivers Ed	0	0	#DIV/0!
FACS	46	10	4.60
Foreign Lang.	0	0	#DIV/0!
Health	971	61	15.92
Music	478	23	20.78
PE	1585	84	18.87
Tech Ed	1678	94	17.85
	543	31	17.52

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**Average Class Size 2016-17**

	By Grade											By Grade Cluster					By Model Cluster						
	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	K-2	3-4	5-6	7-8	9-10	11-12	K-3	4-8	9-12	
TBPS	16.40	16.75	20.00	19.75	18.75									17.72	19.00					18.10	18.75	n/a	
Fayette	7.00	10.00	11.00	11.00	18.00	17.00	17.00							9.3	14.5	14.5				16	17.75	n/a	
Moretown	16.00	16.00	14.00	15.00	15.00	12.00	15.00							15.33	15	13.5				15.25	14.00	n/a	
Waitsfield	14.00	10.00	19.00	16.00	15.00	15.00	22.00							14.33	15.50	18.5				14.75	17.33	n/a	
Warren	23.00	17.00	24.00	17.00	18.00	16.00	14.33							20.33	17.50	14.67				19.50	15.88	n/a	
CBMS	n/a	n/a				20.00	22.00	17.50	15.25	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Hanwood	n/a	n/a				n/a	n/a	13.25	19.75	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	21.00	16.38	13.83	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

CLASS	Number of Students	Number of Classes	AVERAGE CLASS SIZE
Art	1412	93	15.18
Business	0	0	n/a
Drivers Ed	56	4	14.00
FACS	75	6	12.50
Foreign Lang	1100	74	14.86
Health	337	16	21.06
Music	1474	96	15.35
PE	1666	101	16.50
Tech Ed	394	11	11.94

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