

# POLICY

## RANDOLPH BOARD OF EDUCATION

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Class Size

### 2312 ELEMENTARY CLASS SIZE

The Board of Education directs that the number of pupils assigned to any one class be governed by considerations of instructional quality and economy of operation.

Maximum limits shall take into account the subject matter, type of instruction, ability of pupils, availability of aides, limitations of space and use of special facilities and equipment and may be waived to accommodate the demands of a temporary increase in enrollment. If the class exceeds the upper limit, aides may be recommended and assigned by building administration to assist the teacher with the approval of the Superintendent.

The district will strive to maintain the following target ratios for all classes:

K - 2		20 to 1
3 - 5		22 to 1

Acceptable ranges at the various grade levels will be as follows:

K —2		18 to 22
<b>1 - 2</b>		<b>18 - 23</b>
3 - 5		19 to <del>24</del> <b>25</b>

When a student/teacher ratio falls below the lower limit or above the upper limit of the range, administration will make necessary adjustment to bring the ratio closer to the indicated target prior to the start of the school year.

To promote accountability and planning at the local school level, building administration working with staff should develop the most efficient and effective plan using these resources. This may result in configurations other than the self-contained classrooms in existence.

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