

CLASS SIZE
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Class sizes in the Alexandria City Public Schools, at a minimum, will comply with the Virginia Standards of Quality.

The Board recognizes that new forms of school organizations and innovations will govern the number of students assigned to a class. Class sizes should be educationally sound and suited to the needs of the students.

The Superintendent may propose limits for the enrollment of each school in order to keep schools and individual classes at or under capacity to the extent possible, including situations where due to physical space limitations, class size caps will be altered. The Superintendent may propose class size caps in accordance with IHB-R: Regulations Pertaining to Class Size, which will be reviewed and set annually by the School Board during the budget process. The Superintendent may establish caps for the size of individual schools.

Elementary school capacity is determined by many factors, including the standard elementary program, additional special programs, and the physical configuration of the school.

The number of homeroom sections for each elementary school at each grade level may be proposed by the Superintendent and set during the budget process each spring. The number of sections per grade level will reflect the School Board's commitment to small schoolsclasses.

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Each year by April 1, the Superintendent shall publicly present the projected number of elementary students by school by grade level for the following school year. The Superintendent shall establish procedures to address the possibility of a school exceeding its enrollment limit.

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Cross Ref: IHB-R Regulations Pertaining to Class Size
JC/JCD School Attendance Areas Student Placement
JC-R/JCD-R Regulations Governing ACPS Student Placement Options
JCD Modified Open Enrollment

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