

ADDISON NORTHWEST SCHOOL DISTRICT POLICY

SECTION: INSTRUCTION

CODE: D6

TITLE: CLASS SIZE

It is the intent of the Addison Northwest School District to comply with Sections 15 and 16 of Act 153 of 2010 requiring Superintendents to work with School Boards to develop policy guidelines for minimum and optimal average class sizes in regular and technical education classes. Class size guidelines 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 School District wide class minimum, maximum and optimum average class size guidelines that take into account the instructional needs of specific elementary grade intervals and required and elective courses at the secondary level.
2. Class size guidelines in the School District may vary as necessary to reflect differences among schools due to geography and other factors, such as school size and programmatic needs.
3. The guidelines shall, when possible, ensure compliance with state or federal requirements related to matters such as student-teacher ratios, special education, technical education and English Language Learners.
4. The Superintendent shall report to the 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 guidelines in determining actual class sizes and program offerings in the schools within the School District.
5. This policy shall be posted on the School District's website and forwarded to the Secretary of Education by January 15, 2011.

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<i>Date Adopted:</i>	<i>April 26, 2017</i>
<i>Legal Reference:</i>	<i>16 V.S.A. § 242(5). Section 15 Act 153 of 2010 Section 16 of Act 153 of 2010</i>