## 6.2.3 Class Size and Staffing

The following guidelines will be used in determining class size and staffing requirements. These guidelines may be modified as the district fiscal status changes.

### Kindergarten:

- 1. Junior Kindergarten children will be placed in morning and afternoon sessions in order to achieve balance in class.
- 2. Parents of junior kindergarten students may indicate a preference for the morning or afternoon sessions as the time of registration. These preferences will generally be honored on a "first come, first serve" basis.
- 3. A team of a teacher and an aide will normally serve between 15 and 22 kindergarten children in one session.

#### Elementary Grades K-6:

- 1. Balance in classroom size shall be determined by numbers of children and their varied needs.
- 2. Kindergarten classes will ordinarily not exceed 22 children.
- 3. Primary grade classrooms (1-3) will ordinarily not exceed 23 children.
- 4. Upper grade classrooms (4-6) will ordinarily not exceed 25 children.
- 5. Combination classes (example: grades 1&2, 2&3, etc.) may be established to maintain balance in class sizes according to the above criteria.

#### <u>Intermediate Grades (7-8):</u>

- 1. Class size may vary from 20-31 students in the regular academic courses.
- 2. These class size guidelines do not apply to special education, remedial reading, physical education and performing music groups.

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## High School Grades (9-12):

- 1. Class size may vary from 15-31 students in the regular academic courses.
- 2. These class size guidelines do not apply to charter school, special education, academic support courses, Health and performing music groups.

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