

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Meeting Date: October 2, 2025

Agenda Item: Class Size / Enrollment

Item Type: Report

Administrator: Jeanne Grazioli, Brad Earl

Objective: To update the Board on enrollment and class sizes

Background: Annually, at the beginning of each school year, staff provides a report to the Board on student enrollment and class size. Data is typically compared to prior years as a reference.

Enrollment: As of 9/25/2025, total enrollment was **down** 5 students compared to the same period in the prior year. Non-charter school enrollment is **up** 56 students over the same comparison period and charter school enrollment is **down** 61 students. It is important to note that districts are required to submit an accurate enrollment count to ODE as of September 30th of each year. The number provided to ODE considers partial enrollment, attendance, and other factors that are not included in the estimate provided today. The official count is generally slightly lower due to the additional factors described above. All districts are funded on the HIGHER of current year enrollment or prior year enrollment. Also note that flat enrollment is good news because kindergarten enrollment is lower than the outgoing class of 2025 so this means we attracted additional students into our schools at other grade levels.

Elementary School Class Size: Medford School District continues to have lower class sizes over the last several years, and it continues to be a high priority to the extent that state funding allows for it. Class size averages are well below the thresholds established in the MEA contract. For individual classrooms that are approaching or above the threshold, we are providing additional classified support time.

Middle School Caseload and Class Size Average: At middle schools, we are below 180 total students per core teacher with the exception of PE, as allowed in the contract. We are pleased at where class sizes are at the middle school level. Middle school core class sizes range from the lowest of 16 to the highest of 34.

High School Caseload and Class Size Average: Similarly at high schools, we are currently below 180 total students per core teacher with the exception of PE, as allowed in the contract. In the past few weeks, we problem- solved a handful of core teachers that were slightly above the

established caseload for core classes, and PE/Health. As a result, we did add sections of Integrated Math at North Medford High School and Chemistry at South Medford High School. We are now pleased with where we are with class sizes overall. Innovation Academy Online class sizes vary, which is expected.

Additional Materials:

District Enrollment
Elementary Class Size Chart
Middle School Average Class Size Chart
High School Average Class Size Chart

Recommendation: Information only

Suggested Motion: N/A