PLUM BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

SECTION:

**PROGRAMS** 

TITLE:

**CLASS SIZE** 

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## 126. CLASS SIZE

1. Authority

Class size shall be finalized by the Board of School Directors after consultation with the Superintendent and the principals.

2. Delegation of Responsibility

The Superintendent shall present class size data to the Board on an annual basis.

3. Guidelines

The pupil/teacher ratio for the elementary grades will be as follows:

Grades K-3 up to 25 students.

Grades 4-6 up to 29 students.

New elementary student enrollments, which would cause an overload, will be assigned and transported to elementary schools where the respective classroom enrollments are less than the mandated sizes.

When primary (K-3) class size reaches 26 students and intermediate (4-6) class size reaches 30 students, and classroom space is available, a teacher will be hired prior to the July Board Meeting. After the July Board Meeting, an aide will be hired to assist the teacher.

Other class size guidelines shall take into account:

- 1. Subject matter.
- 2. Type of instruction.
- 3. Ability of pupils.
- 4. Help of aides.
- 5. Use of special facilities and equipment.