



CLASS SIZE POLICY

Rationale

This school based document reflects and adheres to the agreement between the NSW Department of Education and Communities and the NSW Teachers Federation on the staffing of NSW Public Schools 2016 – 2020.

See the Department of Education Staffing Agreement:

<https://www.teach.nsw.edu.au/documents/agreement.pdf>

Implementation

Years 7 – 10

- Classes may be up to 30 students with the following exceptions:
- Year 7 Visual Art – 20 students (Visual Art is usually maintained at 20 students in Year 8 also)
- Years 7 and 8 Technology Mandatory -22 students
- Year 9 and 10 Industrial Technology electives – 20 students
- Years 9 and 10 Food Technology – 24 Students

Years 11 – 12

- Classes may be up to 24 students with the following flexibilities:
- VET Hospitality – 20 students with flexibility up to DoE if required (DoE states 24, but WH&S adjustment for AHS)
- VET Construction – 20 students with flexibility up to DoE if required (DoE states 24, but WH&S adjustment for AHS)

Other

- Photography – Photography can be up to 30 students in Stage 5 and 24 in stage 6, however consideration should be given to a reduction in size if possible due to the limitations of the school's dark room facilities and the access supervision issues that are inherent.
- IST, IPT & Industrial Technology – Multimedia - all computer subjects can be up to 30 students in Stage 5 and 24 in Stage 6, however consideration should be given to a reduction in size if possible due to the size of computer labs. If classes are large, teachers should consider the use of class sets of laptops.

Evaluation

This policy should be evaluated and adapted when curriculum changes occur.