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CLASS SIZE

The Jefferson Davis Parish School Board is aware that class size may have bearing on effective teaching. Therefore, the School Board directs the Superintendent and/or his/her designee to work with principals in establishing a reasonable and equitable class enrollment for each teacher.

Louisiana law requires the systemwide student-classroom-teacher ratio in grades kindergarten through third grade to be no greater than twenty (20) students. The maximum enrollment in a class or section in grades K-3 shall be twenty-six (26) students and in grades 4-12, thirty-three (33) students, except in certain activity types of classes in which the teaching approach and the materials and equipment are appropriate for large groups. No teachers at the secondary level shall instruct more than 750 student hours per week, except those who teach the above classes.

The School Board may request from the State Superintendent of Education a limited waiver from complying with the systemwide 20-1 student-teacher ratio, provided the teacher has demonstrated effectiveness pursuant to the state evaluation program.

New policy: January 17, 2013

Ref: La. Rev. Stat. Ann. §§[17:151](#), [17:174](#)

[*Louisiana Handbook for School Administrators, Bulletin 741*](#), Louisiana Department of Education

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