

Primary Class Size - PLAN for 2005-06

Overview

To improve learning for Ontario's youngest students, the government has made a commitment to put a cap of 20:1 on primary (JK- Grade 3) classes. As a second step to this goal the government is investing \$90M in primary class size for the 2005-06 school year, this investment is in addition to the \$90M provided to school boards in 2004-05.

1.0 Additional Funding Received by the Board in 2005-06 for Reducing Primary Class Size (JK-grade 3)

1.1 2005-06 Estimated day school ADE JK to Grade 3	6,128	
1.2 Primary Class Size Allocation (\$340 per day school ADE of JK to Grade 3)		2,083,520
Less: Funding Offsets		
1.3 2005-06 Reduction due to primary class size funding provided in the Distant Schools Allocation (Table 5 in 2005-06 grant regulation)		0
1.4 2004-05 Primary Class Size Allocation of \$166 per day school ADE of JK to Grade 3 adjusted for enrolment change & 2% teacher salary increase (Item 1.1 x \$166 x 1.02)		1,037,593
1.5 Additional funding in 2005-06 for Reducing Primary Class Size		1,045,927
.....(Item 1.2 - Item 1.3 - Item 1.4), if equal to 0, go to Section 4		

2.0 Additional Teachers to be Hired in 2005-06

2.1 Additional funding in 2005-06 for reducing primary class size (Item 1.5)		1,045,927
2.2 Average elementary teacher salary	54,232	
2.3 Average benefits	7,600	
2.4 Average elementary teacher salary and benefits (Item 2.2 + Item 2.3)		61,832
2.5 Additional teachers (FTE) to be hired for reducing primary class size (Item 2.1 / Item 2.4)		16.9

3.0 New Primary (JK to Grade 3) Classes to be Established

3.1 Transitional Program Equivalency-Teachers (see Note 1) <i>For Boards that Received Ministry Approval for Transitional Program Equivalency Teachers</i>		0.0
3.2 Additional teachers available to establish new primary classes (Item 2.5 - Item 3.1)		16.9
3.3 2005-06 Number of minutes/week of preparation time for primary teachers		188
3.4 Number of teachers required to provide preparation time coverage, [(Item 3.3 / 1500) x Item 3.2]		2.1
3.5 Number of New Primary (JK to Grade 3) Classes to be established		14.8
.....(Item 3.2 - Item 3.4)		

4.0 Target - Primary Class Size for 2005-06

Boards are expected to demonstrate that they have used the 2005-06 additional funding to reduce primary class size. Based on the 2004-05 average class size data reported by the board for primary (JK to grade 3), the 2005-06 primary average class size target can be calculated using the following worksheet. Boards are to input the number of pupils expected to be enrolled at October 31, 2005 (based on the definition in the average class size report, i.e. excluding self-contained special education).

4.1 2004-05 Actual Average Class Size	Primary (JK-3)
4.1.1 Number of Pupils	6392.0
4.1.2 Number of Classes	293.5
4.1.3 Average Class Size	21.8
4.2 2005-06 Target Primary Average Class Size -Worksheet	
4.2.1 Number of Pupils	6128.0
4.2.2 Number of Classes based on new primary class sizes (Item 4.2.1 / Item 4.1.3) + Item 3.5	295.9
4.2.3 Target - Primary Average Class Size (see Note 2)	20.7

Boards are expected to have a 2005-06 primary average class size less than or equal to the Target amount.

Note 1:
The government recognizes that a number of boards face accommodation pressures and do not have sufficient elementary classroom space to accommodate all the number of teachers to be used to establish primary (JK to Grade 3) classes (per above). As a transitional measure, boards can deploy these teachers to create smaller groupings of Primary students within the school day - provided they have received prior ministry approval. Boards are to submit their request for this approval by July 31, 2005 to their Ministry Finance Officer. See 2005:B5 memo for more details.

Note 2:
* Note -- the Target amount will be one tool that the ministry will use to determine if boards have used the 2005-06 additional funding for reducing primary average class size. As with previous years -boards will be expected to file the 2005-06 average class size reports for the elementary panel, including primary (JK to grade 3) in December 2005. The ministry will be monitoring these reports for a reduction in average class sizes at the primary level and to ensure that class sizes in grades 4 to 8 do not increase.

5. List the schools where new primary classes or transitional program equivalency teachers are to be established

Boards are to insert the number of new primary classes and Transitional Program Equivalency teachers to be added to each school in 2005-06.

Generally, it is expected that boards will add primary classes to their schools in whole numbers (0.5 for JK & K); however, where boards use their primary class size funding to "top-up" their school allocations, they may report fractional numbers (to one decimal place).

		6,392.00	293.46	21.78	18.50	0.00
SFIS #	School Name	2004-05 Primary Average Class Size			# of Primary classes to be added in 2005-06	# of Transitional Program Equivalency teachers to be added in 2005-06
		# of Pupils	# of Classes	Average Class Size		
3070	Blessed Kateri Separate School (Kitchener)	128.50	5.50	23.36		
3082	Blessed Sacrament (Kitchener)	128.00	5.50	23.27		
3095	Canadian Martyrs Separate School (Kitchener)	135.00	5.98	22.58		
3136	Christ The King (Cambridge)	143.00	8.00	17.88		
3294	Holy Family School (New Hamburg)	100.50	4.00	25.13	1.00	
3313	Holy Rosary School (Waterloo)	174.50	8.00	21.81		
10044	Holy Spirit Catholic Elementary School (Kitchener)	234.00	9.92	23.59	1.00	
10453	John Sweeney Catholic Elementary School (Kitchener)	212.00	9.28	22.84	1.50	
3426	Monsignor Haller Separate School (Kitchener)	99.50	5.02	19.82	1.00	
3429	Monsignor William Gleason Separate School (Kitchener)	72.50	4.00	18.13	1.00	
6258	Mother Theresa Catholic School (Cambridge)	173.50	8.00	21.69		
3465	Notre Dame Separate School (Kitchener)	101.00	4.00	25.25		
3519	Our Lady of Fatima Separate School (Cambridge)	192.50	8.50	22.65		
3532	Our Lady of Grace Separate School (Kitchener)	92.50	4.35	21.26		
3546	Our Lady of Lourdes Separate School (Kitchener)	99.00	5.36	18.47	1.00	
3682	Sir Edgar Bauer Separate School (Waterloo)	158.00	6.50	24.31	0.50	
4596	St Agatha School (St Agatha)	45.50	1.83	24.86		
3691	St Agnes Separate School (Waterloo)	107.00	5.50	19.45	1.00	
3700	St Aloysius Separate School (Kitchener)	160.00	7.50	21.33	1.00	
3709	St Ambrose Separate School (Cambridge)	127.50	6.50	19.62	1.00	
3728	St Anne Separate School (Cambridge)	80.50	4.00	20.13		
3730	St Anne Separate School (Kitchener)	183.50	9.00	20.39		
3692	St Augustine Catholic School (Cambridge)	180.50	8.00	22.56	1.00	
3797	St Bernadette Separate School (Kitchener)	120.00	5.50	21.82	1.00	
4590	St Boniface Separate School (Maryhill)	43.50	2.05	21.22		
9939	St Brigid Catholic Separate School (Ayr)	93.00	4.00	23.25	1.00	
4592	St Clement Separate School (St Clement)	80.00	3.64	21.98		
3879	St Daniel Separate School (Kitchener)	144.50	6.63	21.79		
9938	St Dominic Savio Elementary School (Kitchener)	202.00	10.50	19.24		
3913	St Elizabeth Separate School (Cambridge)	205.50	8.54	24.06		
3935	St Francis Separate School (Cambridge)	122.50	5.50	22.27		
3981	St Gregory Separate School (Cambridge)	94.00	4.50	20.89	1.00	
4044	St John Separate School (Kitchener)	111.00	5.50	20.18		
4139	St Joseph Separate School (Cambridge)	109.00	5.00	21.80		
	St Joseph Separate School (Kitchener)	0.00	0.00	0.00		
10105	St Luke Catholic Elementary School (Waterloo)	272.00	12.50	21.76		
4194	St Margaret School (Cambridge)	169.00	7.50	22.53		
4219	St Mark (Kitchener)	121.50	5.28	23.01		
4293	St Matthew Elementary School (Waterloo)	195.50	8.50	23.00		
4313	St Michael Separate School (Cambridge)	155.50	7.00	22.21	1.00	
10046	St Nicholas Catholic Elementary School (Kitchener)	205.00	9.36	21.90	1.00	
4346	St Patrick Separate School (Kitchener)	71.50	3.35	21.34	1.50	
4373	St Paul Separate School (Kitchener)	151.50	6.50	23.31		
4412	St Peter Separate School (Cambridge)	155.50	7.00	22.21		
4479	St Teresa Separate School (Elmira)	78.50	3.69	21.27		
4474	St Teresa Separate School (Kitchener)	124.00	5.73	21.64	1.00	
4515	St Timothy Separate School (Kitchener)	133.00	5.95	22.35		
4529	St Vincent de Paul (Cambridge)	106.00	5.50	19.27		

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6. Cleaner Safer Schools

An additional \$30M in 2005-06 is being provided to school boards for elementary school operations to recognize the increase in the number of classrooms boards must operate as a result of the Primary Class Reduction Initiative.

Boards are to use the increased funding to hire additional custodial/maintenance staff to clean and maintain school grounds and facilities, as well as to address additional operation and repair costs of space as a result of the Primary Class Size Reduction Initiative.

6.1 Cleaner Safer Schools -enhanced funding allocation (2005:B5 appendix 9) 363,540

6.2 Use of Funds -Boards are to identify how these incremental funds will be used

Custodial Operations - Elementary Schools

6.21 # of Additional Staff 5

6.22 Wages and Benefits for staff 230,266

Maintenance Operations - Elementary Schools

6.23 # of Additional Staff 2

6.24 Wages and Benefits for staff 103,552

6.25 Utilities - Elementary Schools 15,000

6.26 Supplies and Other - Elementary Schools 15,000

6.27 TOTAL EXPENDITURES - Elementary Schools 363,818

.....(Item 6.22 + Item 6.24 + Item 6.25 + Item 6.26)