



**Date:** December 20, 2023 **Agenda Item:** 8.1  
**To:** Board of Trustees  
**From:** Shawna Warren, Superintendent  
**Originator(s):** Jonathan Konrad, Deputy Superintendent, Education Services  
**Governance Policy:** [Policy 700: Superintendent of Schools](#)  
**Assurance Domain:** Governance

**Superintendent Leadership Quality Standard (SLQS)**

SLQS Competencies ([SLQS](#) / [Board Policy 700](#)):  
School Authority Operations and Resources  
Supporting Effective Governance

**Subject:** **Class Size Information Survey Reporting**

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**Purpose:**

For information.

**Background:**

September 2019, Alberta Education discontinued the Class Size Information Survey initiative and reporting by school jurisdictions. Administration continues to track class size data to provide a Division snapshot and trend analysis. Class Size Information is gathered using the same criteria as the previous *Alberta Education Class Size Information Survey* initiative:

- A class is defined as a group of students with ONE teacher for 50% or more of the instructional time devoted to a subject.
- A multi-grade classroom with one teacher is counted as one class.
- Multi-graded classrooms are included in the higher-grade level. i.e. Grade 3/4 combined class would be included in the Grade 4 category.
- For High School, only first semester courses are included in this report.
- Only core courses are included – Language Arts, Social Studies, Math and Science. Irregular classes such as Work Experience and Distance Learning are not included.
- Outreach Programs, the Hutterite Colony, Oak Hill, and Legal Public School are not included in the report.
- Data reported in this survey is as of **September 29, 2023**.

Administration would like to remind the Board of Trustees that Class Sizes and Class Targets are a function of the budget process.



Administration is prepared to respond to questions at the December 20, 2023, Public Board meeting.

**Attachment(s):**

1. 2023 - 2024 Class Size Analysis



# 2023 / 24 Class Size Analysis for Sturgeon Public Schools

## Guiding Approach

Class size averages do not include French Immersion classes, or dedicated LOGOs or Knowledge and Employability classes. These classes are smaller in number and are supported by additional grants other than Base Instruction or by Board Direction. Regular instruction classes that have a few K&E or LOGOS students within them are reported in these averages.

Course Course Class Size Averages as of September 29, 2023								
Average by Subject Category	K to 3		4 to 6		7 to 9		10 to 12	
	Previous 3yr Average	2023/24	Previous 3yr Average	2023/24	Previous 3yr Average	2023/24	Previous 3yr Average	2023/24
<b>Language Arts</b>	19.46	18.35	23.48	22.43	24.61	25.67	23.94	21.67
<b>Mathematics</b>	19.33	18.35	23.48	22.43	24.39	24.16	20.53	21.88
<b>Social Studies</b>	19.46	18.35	23.33	22.45	24.65	25.67	30.79	25.88
<b>Science</b>	19.19	18.43	23.10	22.43	24.33	25.72	25.63	25.79
<b>Average</b>	19.36	18.37	23.35	22.44	24.49	25.31	25.22	23.80
Board Directed	19.45		26.95		28.95		28.95	
Overall Average	18.37		22.44		25.31		23.80	
Difference with Board Directed	-1.08		-4.51		-3.64		-5.15	
Difference with Previous 3yr Average	-0.99		-0.91		0.81		-1.42	

All data reflects 29 September 2023 counts in schools.

