BCPSEA Proposal E. 26

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Employer proposals D.1 Class Size, D.2 Non-Enrolling Ratios and D.3 Workload Assessment Committee are to be considered together. As a package, they replace MOA re: LOU No. 17 and the restored language in each local Schedule A.

Delete and replace Article D.1 as follows:

## Article D.1 Class Size

- 1. The size of primary classes will be limited as follows:
  - a. Kindergarten will not exceed 20 students;
  - b. Grade 1 3 classes will not exceed 22 students;
- 2. Where there is more than one primary grade in any class with primary students, the class size maximum for the lower grade will apply.
- 3. Where there is a combined primary/intermediate class, an average of the maximum class size of the lowest involved primary grade and the maximum class size of the lowest involved intermediate grade will apply.
- 4. The size of any class for grades 4 to 12 will not exceed 30 students unless the class is in an excluded category of classes. Excluded categories include:
  - a. an adult or continuing education class;
  - b. a class conducted by means of distributed learning;
  - c. a class that is part of an alternate program;
  - d. a class that meets for the purpose of a work study or work experience program;
  - e. a class that is limited to students enrolled in a specialty academy, as defined in section 82.1 (1) of the School Act;
  - f. a music class, including band, choir, instrumental music and orchestra;
  - g. a performing arts class, including drama and dance;
  - h. a Career Education class including Career Life Education and Career Life Connections classes;
  - i. a board-authorized leadership course.
- 5. Notwithstanding D.1.4, after September 30 any secondary class or middle school class may flex above the class size by up to three (3) students, and any intermediate class may flex above the class size by up to two (2) students.
- 6. The limits of D.1.4 and D.1.5 may be exceeded where the Principal and the teacher of the class agree.
- 7. For the purpose of this Article D.1 "class" means a group of students scheduled to be together at least twice a week with a teacher for the purposes of engaging in an educational program.

----- END OF PROPOSED LANGUAGE -----

## Implementation

This Article D.1 is a standardization of class size across British Columbia. This article deletes and replaces all MOA re: LOU no. 17, provincial and local collective agreement provisions regarding class size including but not limited to: class size limits; class size reductions resulting from class structure (e.g. combined classes), presence of identified students, or nature of the class; limits based on facility design; any teacher or committee consultation required to set a class size; limits on teacher total student load. This article also deletes and replaces any MOA re: LOU No. 17 section IV Class Size and Composition as it relates to class size, including best efforts, non-compliance and remedy.