

THREE VILLAGE CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
SETAUKET, NEW YORK

BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA MATERIALS

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OFFICE OF ORIGIN: EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CATEGORY OF ITEM: REPORT

TITLE: FALL CLASS SIZE

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Accept the report.

BACKGROUND-RATIONALE:

The following are the Class Size Reports for the eight schools in the district. The data are based upon the enrollments as of December 1, 2015:

Arrowhead	590	P. J. Gelinas	887
Minnesauke	624	R. C. Murphy	781
Mount	555	Ward Melville	1,859
Nassakeag	523		
Setauket	641	<b>Total 7 - 12</b>	<b>3,527</b>
<b>Total K-6</b>	<b>2,933</b>	<b><u>Total K-12</u></b>	<b>6,460</b>

The average class size in the elementary schools, without the self-contained special education classes, is 20.2.

The Class Size Reports for the secondary schools contain a summary page followed by a detailed listing of classes offered by subject, the section level by subject, the number of students enrolled in the course, the total number of sections of the course, the average class size of the course, and the number of sections by course in the various enrollment categories (1-10, 11-15, 16-19, 20-24, 25-28, and 29+).

At Gelinas there are forty-five sections, excluding physical education and music, with 29 or more students: nine in English, seven in math, fifteen in social studies, three in science, eight in global language, and three in health. In addition, excluding special education, physical education, and AIS/support classes, there are twenty-four sections with 15 or less students. At Murphy there are twenty-eight sections, excluding physical education, with 29 or more students: six in English, five in mathematics, eleven in social studies, three in science, one in global language, and two in health. In addition, excluding special education, physical education, and AIS/support classes, there are twenty-seven sections with 15 or less students. At Ward Melville there are sixty-three sections, excluding physical education, with 29 or more students each: three in English, twenty-six in mathematics, twenty in social studies, ten in global language, two in science, and two in health. Excluding special education, Focus, P.M. school, physical education, and AIS/support classes there are twenty-nine sections with 15 or less students.

The sections with 29 or more students, in most cases, are the result of the overall effect of significant budget cuts, reduction in instructional staff, singleton courses on the schedule, master scheduling priority calculations, student program selections, and imbalanced sections. The other low enrollment classes reflect sequence requirements, ability level groupings, singletons, scheduling conflicts, staff availability, the number of work stations, and extra assistance to selected students to reach state standards.

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