9500 INSTRUCTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS

<u>9530</u> <u>Minimum Class Size Policy – Grades 6-12</u>

The Board recognizes that there is no single method of determining an ideal minimum class size at the senior high middle school and high school levels. However, the balance between effective educational programs and the efficient use of our District resources requires that the building staff District review the scheduling of those classes where enrollment is less fewer than 12 18 students in a single classroom. Minimum class size in single section, grades 6-12 regular education classes shall be 18 students. Exceptions shall be made through the action of the Board of School Directors.

Procedures and guidelines for such a review will be developed under the guidance of the Superintendent or his/her designee.

The Superintendent or his/her designee shall prepare an administrative procedure in support of this policy.

The District shall comply with state and federal requirements in the implementation of this policy.

Procedure for Review

 When deciding whether to schedule a class with fewer

 than 12 students, consider the following:

 1.
 Is it needed to complete the state's requirements or the

 District's requirements for a diploma?

 2.
 Is there certified staff time available within the

 building or within the District? Advanced placement

 courses are offered based on teacher availability within

 the building.

 3.
 Have the students exhausted all offerings in the

 chosen academic/vocational sequence?

 4.
 Can it be taught simultaneously with another course?

 5.
 Is the course available elsewhere in the District and is

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6				NCLB
7				22 Pa. Code – Chapter 4
8				24 Pa Code PS 11-1106
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