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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Francisco Durán, Superintendent

FROM: Kimberley Graves, Chief of School Support

SUBJECT: 2025-26 Class Size Report

Overview

The 2025–26 Class Size Report provides information on the distribution of students within classes at each school and program based on enrollment as of November 1, 2025. The report outlines Arlington Public Schools' (APS) planning factors, staffing allocations, and class size data across elementary, middle, and high school levels.

As in previous years, secondary class size reports reflect enrollment in selected core academic courses—English/Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Social Studies—and do not include all elective or specialized courses. This approach ensures consistency in reporting and allows for meaningful comparisons across schools and programs.

The 2025–26 Class Size Report is comprised of the following sections:

- Planning Factors for Class Size and Staffing
- Elementary Class Size Tables
- Middle School Class Size Tables
- High School Class Size Tables

Planning Factors and Staffing

Planning factors for APS schools are established annually by the School Board through the approved budget process. These factors serve as a framework for determining staffing allocations at each school and are designed to promote equity, consistency, and fiscal responsibility across the division. Planning factors provide a baseline for personnel, equipment, and instructional resources to ensure that schools can effectively deliver high-quality instruction while maintaining compliance with state standards and accreditation requirements.

Staffing allocations are based on projected enrollment and approved planning factors to ensure equitable distribution of resources among schools and programs. Throughout the school year, enrollment and scheduling patterns are closely monitored. When enrollment exceeds planning factor recommendations,

school administrators collaborate with the Office of School Support and the Department of Human Resources to assess needs and determine appropriate staffing adjustments.

In evaluating class sizes that exceed planning factors, APS considers multiple factors, including:

- The instructional needs of students
- The social-emotional and behavioral dynamics within classrooms
- Availability of highly qualified candidates, particularly later in the school year
- Physical space constraints
- Programmatic requirements and student course selections

Staffing adjustments may include the allocation of additional teaching or support positions, reallocation of existing staff, or schedule modifications to better balance class rosters.

It is important to recognize that class size variances may occur across schools due to differences in enrollment patterns, master scheduling decisions, course selection trends, and the unique design of specialized or non-traditional programs. APS remains committed to monitoring class sizes carefully and making adjustments as needed to support student academic growth and well-being while maintaining operational excellence and responsible stewardship of resources.

SY 25-26 Planning Factors for Class Size and Staffing

Elementary Schools

Kindergarten	At 23 with a recommended maximum class size of 24
1 st Grade	At 20 with a recommended maximum class size of 24
2 nd Grade	At 22 with a recommended maximum class size of 26
3 rd Grade	
4 th Grade	At 24 with a recommended maximum class size of 28
5 th Grade	

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Secondary Schools

Middle School General Education Classroom Teacher Staffing Allocation:	4.0 positions to the number of teams/block scheduling (all students) per grade level plus additional positions per 25.15 general education students with an adjustment to extrapolate 5 teacher periods to 2 student periods and an added factor for special education students.
High School General Education Classroom Teacher Staffing Allocation:	1.0 per 25.9 general education students with an adjustment to extrapolate 5 teacher periods to 7 student periods and an added factor for mainstreaming special education students.

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Class Size Traffic Light Key

	K	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Planning Factor Guideline Number/ Target Class Size	23	20	22	22	24	24
Recommended Maximum Class Size	24	24	26	26	28	28

Elementary Class Size Key
Green: 2 or more below the Recommended Class Size
Yellow: At or below the Recommended Maximum Class Size
Red: 2 or more above Recommended Class Size

Middle and High Schools Class Size Key for Math, Science and Social Studies
Green: 24 or Fewer Students Enrolled
Yellow: 25 to 27 Students Enrolled
Red: 28 or More Students Enrolled

Middle and High Schools Class Size Key for English/Language Arts (ELA)
Green: 22 or Fewer Students Enrolled
Yellow: 23 to 25 Students Enrolled
Red: 26 or More Students Enrolled

Elementary Class Size Traffic Light Report 2025-2026

Schools	Kindergarten					First Grade					Second Grade					Third grade						Fourth Grade						Fifth Grade				
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5
Abingdon Elementary School	17	19	18	17	18	23	21	24	21	22	23	22	22	23	24	19	19	18	20	19	20	22	25	19	27	19	20	17	24	23	21	24
Alice West Fleet Elementary School	21	19	21	22		21	19	21	20		18	21	18	19		24	25	25	24			22	24	21	24			25	22	24	23	
Arlington Science Focus Elementary	15	13	12	16	18	19	16	20	16	20	18	19	19	20	20	20	20	18	20			20	18	22	24	17		26	25	23	22	
Arlington Traditional Elementary	24	23	23	24		24	24	23	22		24	26	22	24		24	23	22	23			23	25	24	23	23		22	24	23	23	
Ashlawn Elementary School	22	22	21			21	23	23	23		21	20	19	19		23	22	23	23			26	24	23	24			24	24	24		
Barcroft Elementary School	10	11	11	13		20	17	20			20	21	21	22		16	20	20	17			21	21	20			21	21	20	21		
Barrett Elementary School	14	12	15	12		16	15	16	16		16	16	17	17		18	19	18	18			16	15	18	16		21	22	22	18		
Campbell Elementary School	22	21	23			22	22	20			21	19	19			19	20	19				18	21	20			18	19	20			
Cardinal Elementary School	19	18	20	21	20	22	23	20	23		25	25	23	25	23	24	24	23	23	23	22	22	24	26	25	26		25	23	22	23	24
Carlin Springs Elementary School	10	14	11	14		19	18	17	17		19	17	19	20		13	15	16	16	15		10	20	20	19	22		18	16	18	18	
Claremont Elementary School	23	23	21	21		23	20	21	23		22	23	22	22		18	18	21	23			21	20	20	19			23	23	24	19	
Discovery Elementary School	17	16	17			20	19	20	20		19	23	23			21	25	26				23	23	23			21	21	20	20		
Dr. Charles R. Drew Elementary School	15	13	15			16	21	22			20	19	20			18	21	21				19	19	20			14	19	15			
Escuela Key Elementary School	24	24	24	24		23	24	24	21		24	22	22	23		22	22	23	22			23	23	23	20			22	20	22	18	
Glebe Elementary School	22	20	18	21		25	24	26	25		20	21	20	20		24	22	22	22			25	24	23	24			26	25	24	26	
Hoffman-Boston Elementary School	20	21	17	19		20	16	19	17		15	18	19	18		19	20	20	21			22	24	26	26			21	24	19	18	
Innovation Elementary School	18	18	15	18		20	22	20			22	21	23			20	21	22	22			18	17	19	18			25	25	25		
Jamestown Elementary School	16	18	18			19	19	20	20		21	21	23			23	22	22				23	21	22	21			24	24	24		
Long Branch Elementary School	19	17	16	19		17	22	21			19	20	18	17		23	24	23				21	23	21			25	27	25			
Nottingham Elementary School	21	22				15	16	16			18	16	18			19	19	19				23	22	24			23	23	23			
Oakridge Elementary School	16	15	18	14		17	19	17	17	18	18	19	18	21	22	21	23	20	23			25	22	22	25			22	22	21	23	21
Randolph Elementary School	21	19	21			21	22	23			14	14	15	14		23	23	24				21	22	23			18	19	21			
Taylor Elementary School	22	24	25			17	17	16	17		25	26	24			25	24	25	25			19	21	20	21			26	25	25	23	
Tuckahoe Elementary School	14	23	17	22		22	24	26			22	21	23			26	24	24				26	27	27			24	23	21			

FY 2-25 Recommended Maximum Class Size	24	24	26	26	28	28
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Traffic Lights Count (Kindergarten)	Kindergarten				
Green: 2 or more below the Recommended Class Size	76				
Yellow: At or 1 above or below the Recommended Class Size	14				
Red: 2 or more above Recommended Class Size	0				

Traffic Lights Count (rade 1 -5)		First Grade	Second Grade	Third Grade	Fourth Grade	Fifth Grade
Green: 2 or more below the Recommended Class Size		69	86	86	91	89
Yellow: At or 1 above or below the Recommended Class Size		20	6	8	3	1
Red: 2 or more above the Recommended Class Size		2	0	0	0	0

Notes:
Based on November 01, 2025 enrollment

APS Class Size 2025-2026
Secondary ELA

Schools	English 6 (11109)														English 7(11110)													English 8 (11120)											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	
Dorothy Hamm Middle School	23	22	23	16	20	19	3	7							19	19	22	23	16	15	10	3	5	3				14	23	25	20	20	6	7					
Gunston Middle School	18	19	20	22	23	11	5	6	14	13	16	23	16	6	21	26	4	9	5	25	27	13	19	5	8			23	3	1	7	22	25	22	22	7			
H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program	20	21	19	18	1										20	20	21	18	1	2								21	18	21	23								
Jefferson Middle School	20	23	17	19	20	24	19	22	26	2	9	7			24	25	19	12	17	19	13	16	25	15	5	10	6	20	21	20	19	18	20	21	12	7	14	5	
Kenmore Middle School	21	24	6	5	4	16	25	17	7	21	22	20	19		17	12	11	8	9	16	19	22	14	13	10	19		16	25	16	6	10	8	26	26	21	26	19	
Swanson Middle School	17	22	22	15	11	10	13	16	2						21	8	16	24	19	18	9	16	8					22	25	12	20	11	10	15	3				
Williamsburg Middle School	21	18	19	15	19	15	15	15	14						19	23	19	21	22	3								11	14	14	24	10	17						

Schools	English 9 (21130)													English 10 (21140)												English 11 (21150)										English 12 (21160)													
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11			
Arlington Career Center	7	17	14	22	17	1								7	15	9	16	3								6	17	10	13	1								9	7	16	10								
Arlington Community High School	2	1												2	3	1	2									6	5	1										2	7	1	2	2							
H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program	1	14	23	20	22									1	23	1	1									4	1	1										23	1	23	18	20	26						
Langston High School Continuation	11													11												16	14											12	11										
Wakefield High School	24	17	28	24	25	24	27	20	14	16	1	25	20	24	25	19	7	3	12	23	28	22	23	27	21	20	28	26	26	28	24	9	23	24	11	22	28	23	20	27	7	24	20	21	21	9			
Washington-Liberty High School	9	29	13	25	24	14	26	27	25	25				9	29	28	27	28	29	28	26	27	11			7	28	22	30	25	23	28	11	6	15	29	25	27	30	30	8	30	27	13					
Yorktown High School	29	22	23	25	25	19	25	10	9	23	20			29	28	28	25	24	11	9	29	28				25	27	28	28	11	26	27				29	31	30	30	30	31	12							

*High schools attempt to keep English 9 at a smaller class size as compared to the upper-level English classes to support students as they transition to high school. This results in larger classes in English 10, 11, and 12

APS Class Size 2025-2026
Secondary Math

Schools	Math 6 (13110)														Math 7 (13111)											Algebra I (23130)						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Dorothy Hamm Middle School	14	18	21	17	10	14	17	18							24	14	21	13	17	19						22	23	19	21	21	18	
Gunston Middle School	23	20	20	17	20	20	15	17	8	12	12	22	14	7	23	17	27	16	21	28	8	29	25			14	20	23	23			
H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program	19	19													16											26	1					
Jefferson Middle School	17	24	17	25	17	23	23	13	20	18					14	23	19	24	25	18	18	25	22			19	24	19	22			
Kenmore Middle School	21	23	20	5	22	22	21	22	6	11					20	16	12	8	15	26	10	19	23	11	9	16	20	23	16	18		
Swanson Middle School	18	20	16	20	18										14	10	19	13	12	19						17	22	16	20	26	18	
Williamsburg Middle School	20	17	19	19	17										16	16	14									18	17	15	18	11	24	10

Schools	Algebra I (23130)															Geometry (23143)														Algebra II (23135)																					
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16						
Arlington Career Center	5	8	21	14	17	10									11	21	15	17	21	24	2								7	16	25	26	16	14																	
Arlington Community High School	1	2	1	2	1										1														5	1	6	1	1																		
H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program	13	15	1	9											15	21	13	15										15	26	4	20																				
Langston High School Continuation	2														4	8											4																								
Wakefield High School	25	24	25	18	22	18	17	21	25	18	14	24	19	22	1	24	22	25	27	21	26	21	23	18	26	20	27	28	28	28	26	28	27	28	28	27	27	25													
Washington-Liberty High School	22	11	13	15	8	17	27	22	11	20	12	18	20	13	26	21	20	24	30	23	27	22	29	29	28	27	15	9	27	26	7	26	25	28	19	29	26	16	27	30	23	15	26								
Yorktown High School	24	26	24	24	19	9	22	23	9	13					25	21	26	27	28	28	25	22	7	6	26	21	23	21	31	27	30	29	27	30	29	29	28	30													

*The high schools tend to staff math classes, including Algebra II, at higher numbers to allow for smaller class sizes in Algebra I and AFDA.

APS Class Size 2025-2026
Secondary Social Studies

Schools	12210 - World Geography (8)																12354 - US History to Present (6)											12355 - Civics and Economics (7)									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
Dorothy Hamm Middle School	23	21	26	26	21	25	22	22	23	23	22	21	24	21	21		18	20	19	19	17	21	23					16	17	26	23	21	20				
Gunston Middle School	23	14	24	24	24	26	24	22									20	21	21	26	21	20	25					20	25	23	27	32					
H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program	21	21	20	21													21	19	21	18								23	20	22	17						
Jefferson Middle School	23	24	25	26	22	24	24	25	16	20	5	22	19	24	22	22	23	26	25	23	23	18	23	21	24	19		23	20	19	26	14	23	26	14		
Kenmore Middle School	25	26	26	24	24	18	20	19	26	20	26	17	26	23	6	18	17	22	21	19	21	21	24	18	19	21	12	19	16	18	22	21	20	19	16	20	
Swanson Middle School	21	16	26	26	25	21	19	26	26	22	17	22	24	27			15	12	16	14	13	18	16	17				18	16	22	20	15	12	11			
Williamsburg Middle School	13	21	15	24	24	11	27	14	20	22	9	15	20	26	24		22	22	24	19	16	16					20	21	9	20	16	20					

Schools	22216 - World History/Geography: 1500 AD-Present (9)																22212 - Economics & Personal Finance (10)																				22360 - VA/US History (11)														22440 - VA/US Government (12)																											
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	1213																
Arlington Career Center	7	23	18	19	15											7	8	15	25	18	16	23	16												8	24	9	8	4	14									8	12	15	5																										
Arlington Community High School	2															2	15	11	1	5	5															12	16	1	5										2	7	1	1	12																									
H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program	1															17	19	24	26	18																	18	12	3	2	1									2	5	5	7	14																								
Langston High School Continuation	3															3	7	9	11																	13	12												3	10	7	11																										
Wakefield High School	2															3	19	28	26	26	15	27	14	16	20	19	22	27	20	25	27	23	27	26	12	6	6	19	27	26	28	28	24	25	19	28	26	25	21	28	17	29	25	28	27	29	27	25	28	9	6	7	28	28	22	28	20	21	16	22	25	30	13	2	21	2423		
Washington-Liberty High School	2															6	10	9	25	8	11	12	17	14	20	28	25	25	24	29	28	26	8	12	28	27	27	25	33	27	30	31											30	27	9	32	30	6	18	24	26	28	26	31	10	31	5	11	27	32	24	20	28					
Yorktown High School	2															7	22	23	25	25	19	17	21	14	25	8	10	23	20		27	31	31	30	30	28	26	12	29	30													26	23	28	25	11	23	26	21						27	18	29	30	22	10	28	22	25				

Secondary Science

Schools	Science 6 (14105)										Life Science (14115)									Physical Science (14125)								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Dorothy Hamm Middle School	25	18	23	17	16	20	14				20	21	18	22	18	23				19	21	20	23	16	19	20		
Gunston Middle School	26	24	21	23	26	18					22	27	23	29	16					21	19	10	5	10	25	3		
H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program	19	20	18	22							18	22	23	19						21	18	22	22					
Jefferson Middle School	26	26	24	19	20	25	24	22	23		22	15	25	12	25	19	19	21		27	25	21	20	23	24	22	18	
Kenmore Middle School	22	22	21	16	21	24	18	23	22	13	23	17	16	22	14	23	19	15	13	18	21	22	24	25	23	24	22	13
Swanson Middle School	14	15	9	14	15	14	12				14	13	22	19	12	20	9	18		11	13	14	11	21	24			
Williamsburg Middle School	24	22	13	17	17	17	15	16			17	11	19	16	22	20	19			12	16	14	18	18	20			

Schools	Biology (24310)															Chemistry (24410)													Physics (24510)																																						
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9																														
Arlington Career Center	16	23	11	17	19											5	20	21	19	1																			10	22																											
Arlington Community High School	2	2	3																																					1	1																										
H-B Woodlawn Secondary Program	24	20	13	22	13	22										20	26	23	27																								23	25	18																						
Langston High School Continuation	4	6														9																											1																								
Wakefield High School	11	22	26	28	11	25	29	28	25	26	23	24	24	29	29	27	28	27	27	25																					25	30	24	29	24																						
Washington-Liberty High School	23	6	10	27	26	29	29	28	28	25	29	29	25			26	23	28	26	24	25	19	29	27	22																				27	29	26	30	26	19	30	29															
Yorktown High School	26	28	26	27	26	26	28	26	6	11	25	25	27	26	23	25	23	26	23	26	22	24	22	21	25	26	24	25	23	27	23	29	27	25	24	25	26				23	27	23	29	27	25	24	25	26																		

*Due to the large number of science course options and multiple levels of many courses (regular, intensified, DE, and/or AP), and the relatively larger number of singletons (AP and DE sciences), the ability of schools to level courses to bring at or below the planning factor can be challenging.

