

CLASS SIZE PROCEDURE

The Oyster River Cooperative School District Elementary Placement Procedure will use the following criteria to implement Policy IIB.

Every effort will be made by administration to bring both Mast Way and Moharimet Elementary Schools to functional capacity recognizing that both elementary schools are district schools serving the towns of Durham, Lee and Madbury.

Every effort will be made by administration to create parity in grade level enrollment between the two schools.

To that end, the Superintendent will use the administrative team, as appropriate, to make placement decisions.

1. Placement of students will be made from a District-wide perspective.
2. No class will exceed more than 2 students above recommended level unless administration deems it in the best interest of the school.
3. Exceptions will be made based upon special services, busing or other unforeseen circumstances.
4. When a family enrolls with multiple children and one of the children would exceed enrollment limit, every consideration will be made to keep family in the same school.
5. Kindergarten building placement will be made between August 1st through August 7th.
6. New students to ORCSD will be placed in the elementary school most appropriate to meet the goal of overall enrollment equity and/or grade level equity.
7. Students within walking distance of a respective elementary school will be allowed to attend that school
8. If a family moves within district, normally they will need to enroll the child at the school in which is designated as their school.
 - a. If the move happens mid-year, the family will have the option of remaining in the current school for the remainder of the year, but the parents need to provide transportation to the school the child is currently enrolled or meet a bus going to the school currently attending.
 - b. As of the beginning of the next school year, the child will need to attend the school designated by the district unless administration makes an exception under section 3.
9. Any new enrollee placement will be determined by August 7th.

Cross Reference: IIB – Class Size