

To: Dr. Dave Palzet, Superintendent
From: Jeanine Arundel, Principal of Pleasantdale Middle School
RE: 2026 - 2027 Class Size Enrollment Update
Date: September 10, 2026

Below are the current class enrollments for the 2026-2027 school year as of September 10, 2026.

Administration and staff work collaboratively to create class sections that best meet the scheduling and instructional needs of our students. As new students enroll, their academic records are carefully reviewed to determine appropriate course placement. This year, we welcomed 22 new students, which is significantly higher than our typical enrollment of approximately six or seven new students.

As a result, four core academic sections are currently above Board of Education guidelines: one 5th grade ELA/Social Studies class* (Co-taught section), one 7th grade Science class** (Supported by an ESP), one 8th grade Social Studies class, and one Algebra class. In addition, four non-core classes are above Board guidelines: one 7th grade PE class*** (Supported by 2 ESPs), one 7th grade Spanish class, one 8th grade Spanish class, and one 8th grade PE class**** (Supported by an ESP).

The class size guidelines for core classes at the middle school are 25 students for fifth-grade sections and 26 students for sixth through eighth-grade sections.

Grade 5 - 93 students

Subject	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3	Section 4	Section 5	Section 6
Extended ELA	19					
ELA	27*	24	23			
Accelerated Math	22	23				
Math	25	23				
Science	24	21	24	24		
Social Studies	27*	19	23	21		
Spanish	21	20	21	20		
Physical Education	20	24	24	25		
Art	16	14	16	15	16	16
Music	15	16	15	16	15	16
STEM	15	16	15	16	16	15

Grade 6 - 94 students

Subject	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3	Section 4	Section 5	Section 6
Extended ELA	12	11				
ELA	16	15	19	21		
Accelerated Math	19	16				
Math	20	18	21			
Science	24	24	20	26		
Social Studies	26	11	17	26	11	
Spanish	24	22	18	18		
Physical Education	26	23	23	22		
Health	15	14	13	18	19	15
Music	14	14	14	18	15	19
STEM	13	14	15	16	18	18

Grade 7 - 88 students

Subject	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3	Section 4	Section 5	Section 6
Extended ELA	13	20				
ELA	16	14	22			
Pre Algebra	9	12				
Algebra	12	5				
Math	17	23				
Science	16	25	28**	19		
Social Studies	16	24	19	25		
Spanish	25	28	20			

Physical Education	25	16	30***	16		
Art	12	10	10	19	18	19
Health	11	10	11	17	19	20
Music	9	12	11	21	19	16

Grade 8 - 87 students

Subject	Section 1	Section 2	Section 3	Section 4	Section 5	Section 6
Extended ELA	20					
ELA	23	16	25			
Geometry	12					
Algebra	9	22				
Pre-Algebra	16	3	24			
Science	19	20	23	26		
Social Studies	17	22	27	19		
Spanish	21	28	22			
Physical Education	20	21	19	28****		
Art	13	11	15	12	18	18
Health	11	11	19	17	15	14
STEM	10	12	14	17	16	18