The median class size counts for elementary school (grades K-6) range between 21 and 27, increasing consecutively from Kindergarten to 6th grade. The overall median count for elementary is 24. For secondary grades, only core courses are included in the count to determine class size (math, English, and science). These grades have median class sizes ranging from 22-28. The median count for math courses is 27, and the median count for both English and science courses is 28.

The class size count is based on the actual number of students in the classroom. Non-traditional classes such as Special Education, Online, Youth in Custody, or limited English proficiency are not included in the counts.

Median class sizes have remained consistent over most of the past 10 years, at 24 for elementary and 28 for secondary classes. The only deviation was in the 2018 school year, when the median class size was 27 for secondary classes.

The ‘Historical Median Class Sizes’ chart reflects median class sizes by grade for the 2010 and the 2019 school year, based on the time series produced using the class size calculations that were modified for the 2019 school year.  

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1 For secondary classes, only ELA class sizes are shown in graph.

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