

BOARD MEETING DATE: October 8, 2007

FOR INFORMATION

SUBJECT: Comparison of Secondary Class Sizes

BACKGROUND INFORMATION:

Denise Cardinali, a parent volunteer, worked with Business Services to prepare the 2007-08 secondary class-size averages for the Corvallis School District. The average, maximum and minimum class sizes by core subject for the two middle schools are:

	<u>Cheldelin</u>			<u>Linus Pauling</u>		
	<u>Average</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
Language Arts	25.1	28	21	24.7	32	14
Mathematics	23.8	33	15	25.1	37	14
Science	25.5	30	19	28.4	35	18
Social Studies	25.3	29	21	26.8	33	17

and for the two high schools:

	<u>Corvallis High School</u>			<u>Crescent Valley High School</u>		
	<u>Average</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Minimum</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Maximum</u>	<u>Minimum</u>
Language Arts	27.0	35	13	29.4	37	22
Mathematics	26.8	36	16	26.8	36	12
Science	24.4	34	11	26.1	34	13
Social Studies	31.7	37	16	28.8	36	20

This year, the School Improvement Fund was used to add 2.0 FTE at each middle and high school, and the Local Option Levy added 3.0 FTE at each of the middle schools. The Local Option Levy FTE was pro-rated at the two high schools: 4.68 FTE at Corvallis High and 3.32 FTE at Crescent Valley.

We are also attaching a comparison of the average core class sizes since 2004-05. This compilation demonstrates what a large difference the Local Option Levy and School Improvement Fund has made in reducing the core class sizes at the middle and high schools.

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