



BULLI PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Class Placement Guidelines

Purpose

Students at Bulli Public School are grouped in heterogeneous classes. That is, no attempt to screen children according to one specific factor such as gender or academic ability is applied when placing a student in a class.

Guidelines

The following criteria are used by classroom teachers and executive staff when determining class placement:

- The preferred class size for Kindergarten or composite classes with Kindergarten students is 20 students.
- The preferred class size for Year 1 or composite classes with Year 1 students is 22 students.
- The preferred class size for Year 2 or composite classes with Year 2 students is 24 students.
- Classes in a grade or stage are to have approximately the same number of students.
- Composite classes are a feature of school organisation and are not considered grounds for special placement.
- Students who do not work well together will be separated, if possible.
- Students' or parents' personal feelings about a teacher are not grounds for special placement.
- Initial class placement will be made by present class teacher(s) for the following year.
- Final class placement will be ratified by the school executive (Principal and Assistant Principals).
 - Parent's wishes regarding special placement will be considered in exceptional circumstances e.g. placement of twins.
 - Students with special needs will be considered.
 - When forming composite classes, students' academic ability, maturity and work habits will be considered.