

Class Size Report - November 2004

- Edmonton Catholic Schools surpasses Alberta Learning class size targets for 2004-2005.
- On July 16th, Alberta Learning gave school districts in the province additional funding to hire teachers and reduce class sizes within three years.
- Edmonton Catholic School District had the lowest class sizes overall of any metro school boards in the province last year (2003-2004) with the following class sizes, as calculated by Alberta Learning:

Kindergarten to Grade 3	21.9
Grades 4-6	23.5
Grades 7-9	25.7
Grade 10-12	26.7

- Here are the comparisons of the 2003/04 and 2004/05 school year class averages, the Alberta Learning Commission on Learning (ACOL) averages, and proposed district class averages for upcoming years.

Note: the district data for 2003-04 has been calculated by Alberta Learning. The district data for 2004-05 has been forwarded to Alberta Learning for verification and the 2005-06 and 2006-07 district information is projected.

Level	District 2003-04	Alberta Learning	ACOL Guidelines 2004-05	District 2004-05	ACOL Guidelines 2005-06	District 2005-06 (projected)	ACOL Guidelines 2006-07	District 2006-07 (projected)
K-3	21.9	21.7	20.0	19.8	18.5	17.0	17.0	17.0
4-6	23.5	23.9	25.0	22.1	24.0	21.0	23.0	21.0
7-9	25.7	24.9	27.0	24.0	26.0	25.0	25.0	25.0
10-12	26.7	24.9	29.0	25.4	28.0	24.0	27.0	24.0

- Edmonton Catholic Schools received 4.9 million dollars in Alberta Learning's July announcement and has hired 84 new teachers with the funding. These new teachers are equivalent to 75.88 FTE (Full Time Equivalent) and have been placed as follows:

62.98 FTE - Elementary
 10.10 FTE - Junior High
 2.80 FTE - High School

Please note that we have approximately enough funds left to hire 10 more teachers and our plan is to deploy these teachers to our high schools for semester two.

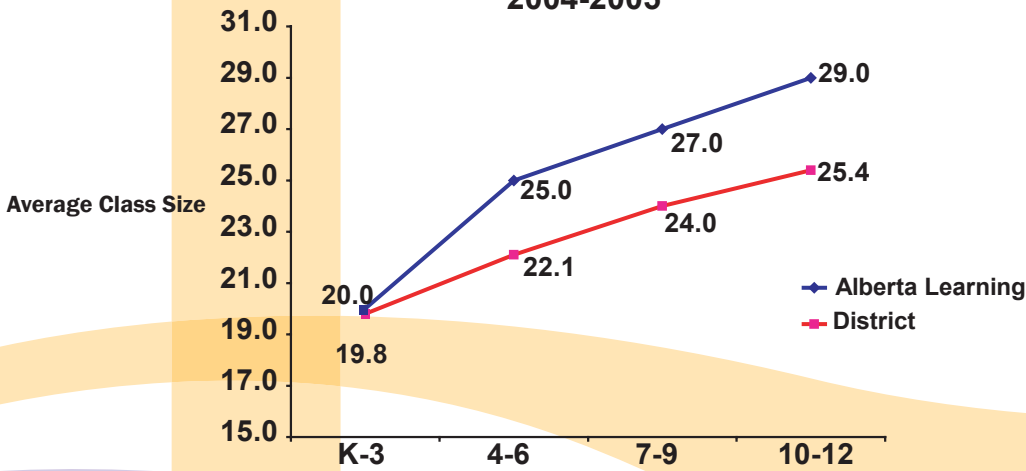
Great news!

In **2004-05**, the district **has already met** the ACOL guidelines that were identified for **2006-07 in three levels - the Grades 4-6, Grades 7-9, and Grades 10-12**. We will continue to focus on the K-3 grades next year.

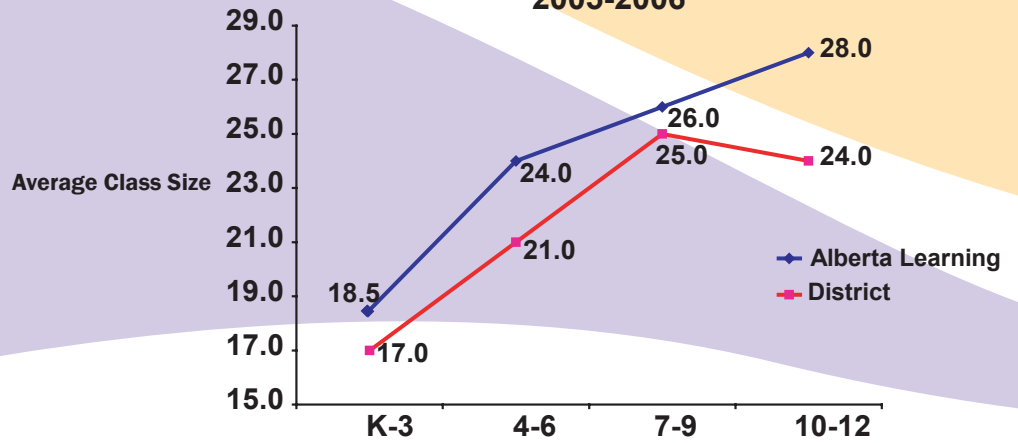


Edmonton Catholic Schools Average Class Size Information

2004-2005



2005-2006



2006-2007

