



Winthrop School

A community of learners becoming leaders, embracing change and shaping the future

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To: Winthrop Community
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On June 18, 2009 the School Committee agenda included further discussion on the class size of the rising Grade 1 class at Winthrop.

In light of both space and budgetary restrictions, the Superintendent and I spent much of June looking for ways in which we could support the larger class sizes at Grade 1. Due to some changes in staffing and Title I funds, we were able to piece together enough funds for an additional ½ time teacher. This proposal was introduced but not supported at the School Committee meeting.

The School Committee has agreed to revisit this issue at the July 16th meeting. The state budget is expected to be completed and signed, providing a more accurate fiscal picture. We'll also review the most recent student count at this meeting.

Due to the fact that placement issues remain unresolved, Winthrop will not distribute any first grade class lists until after this July meeting.