

# Class Size

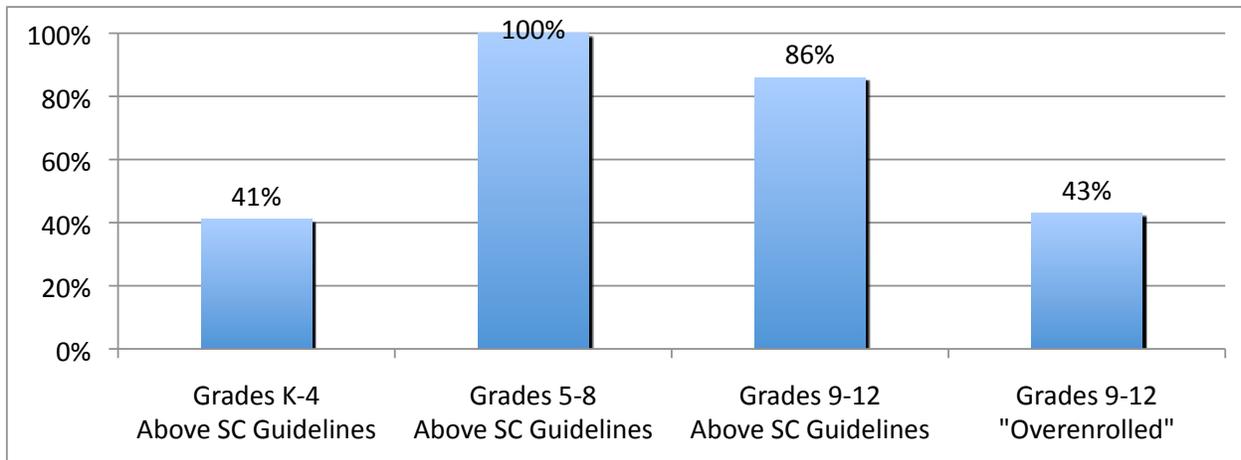
## Why is this expenditure necessary?

Impacts of large class sizes in Shrewsbury Public Schools have led to the following issues:

- Compromised quantity and quality of attention, instruction, and feedback; ultimately, lower student achievement
- Compromised physical, social & emotional classroom environments
- Increased teacher workload has left less time for involvement in educational initiatives

## Class sizes are too large in too many places:

Percentage of Core Classes Over Guidelines



## How will the funds be spent?

The funds will be used to hire qualified teachers to address the class size issues. Space considerations will lead to fewer full day kindergarten sections, which are funded by parent tuition payments, and the salaries for those teachers (who will now be teaching half day sessions) will need to move back into the appropriated budget.

Special Subjects includes teachers for foreign language, visual arts, music, English language education, physical education, health, computer science, and guidance. These FTE will address scheduling needs if core classroom teachers are added as well as addressing class size issues in special subjects.

## Cost Breakdown

Elementary Level Classroom Teachers (4.0 FTE): \$205,688

Middle Level Classroom Teachers (14.0 FTE): \$719,908

High School Core Subject Teachers (12.0 FTE): \$668,486

Special Subjects Teachers (11.2 FTE): \$575,926

Kindergarten Salaries Returning to Appropriated Budget (5.5 FTE): \$412,500

**Total Cost: \$2,582,508**

