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- IMPORTANT INFORMATION -

CLASS SIZE AND COMPOSITION (Bill 33)

The BCPSEA is asserting that any discussion of class size and class composition constitutes consultation as required by Bill 33. In response, to ensure that we protect our ability to grieve class size and composition violations, and to protect our right to meaningful consultation and class sizes that are “appropriate for student learning,” we need to take the following steps:

- Participate in organizing classes as you normally would.
- If it becomes evident that classes cannot be organized within the legislative limits or are in any other way not appropriate for student learning (safety issues for example), document, and advise the principal of your opposition to the proposed organization.
- Withdraw from the process of organizing classes unless ordered (a written directive from a school-based administrator) to continue, and if so, contact the VSTA office.

Please ensure that this information is shared with all of your counsellors and the teachers who participate in the timetabling process. That teachers not violate the limits is extremely important in light of Jim Dorsey’s arbitration award for our class size and composition grievances. We must not compromise the process as we move forward with the building of the timetable for September, 2010.

Please contact the office if you have any additional questions. Many thanks to all of you.