

# New York City Class Size 2019-20 (Updated)

February 2020

# Background on Class Size Calculations

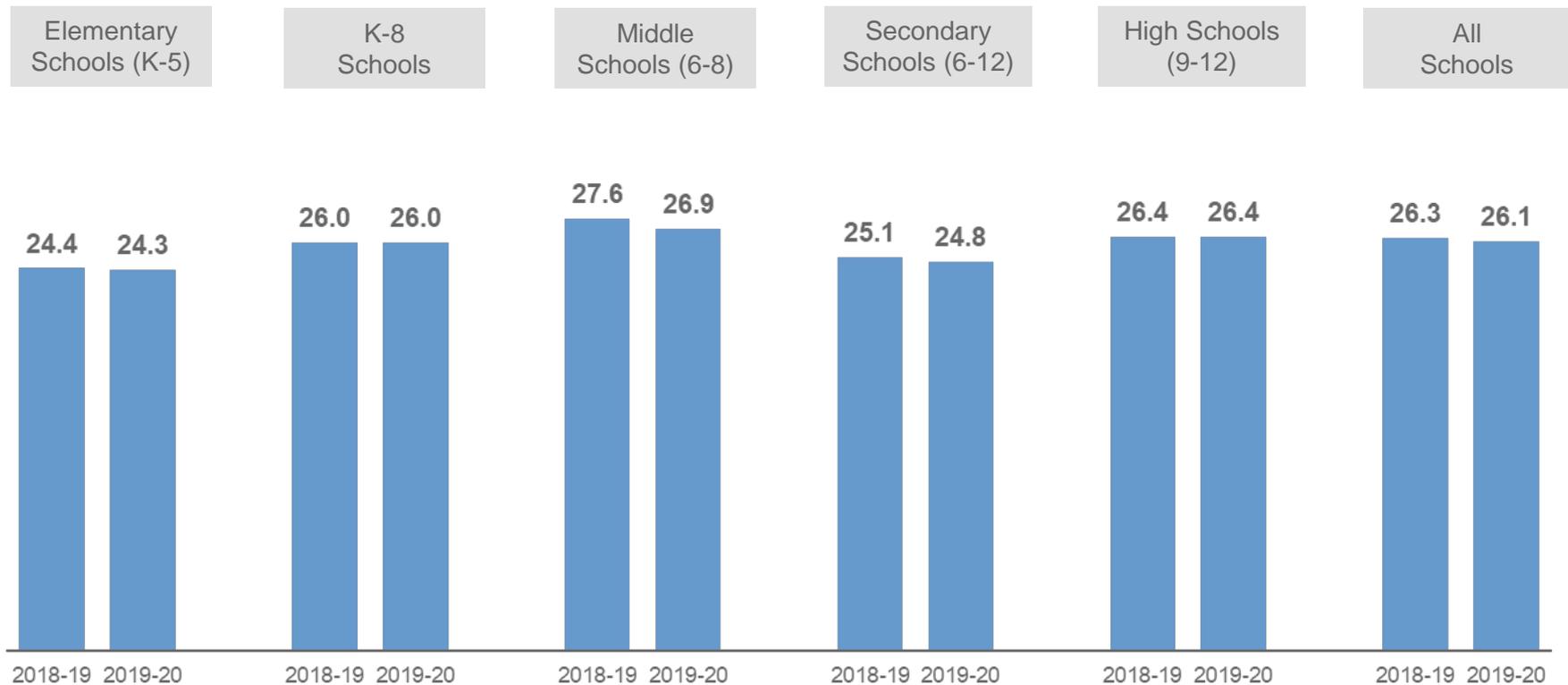
- The New York City Department of Education (NYCDOE) reports on class size twice a year with a preliminary report in November and an updated report in February. This report is the updated report.
- School-level data from ATS and STARS are unaudited. Middle schools and high schools typically update their schedules in STARS through the end of each term. Historically, early data analysis includes long-term absences, incomplete scheduling data, and other characteristics that are updated by schools in the February report.
- For grades K-8, average class size is calculated by dividing the number of students as of October 31<sup>st</sup>, or “seats filled”, by the number of sections as determined by each student’s official class (e.g. homeroom/advisory) from the Automate the Schools (ATS) system.
- For grades 6-12, average class size is calculated by the average number of students as of October 31<sup>st</sup> in each section of core courses (English, Math, Science and Social Studies) from the STARS system.

# Citywide Class Size Averages by School Type

## *Updated*

Across all grades in 2019-20, the average class size is 26.1 students per class. There was 0.2 decrease from 2018-19. (Note: Differences are based on unrounded values.)

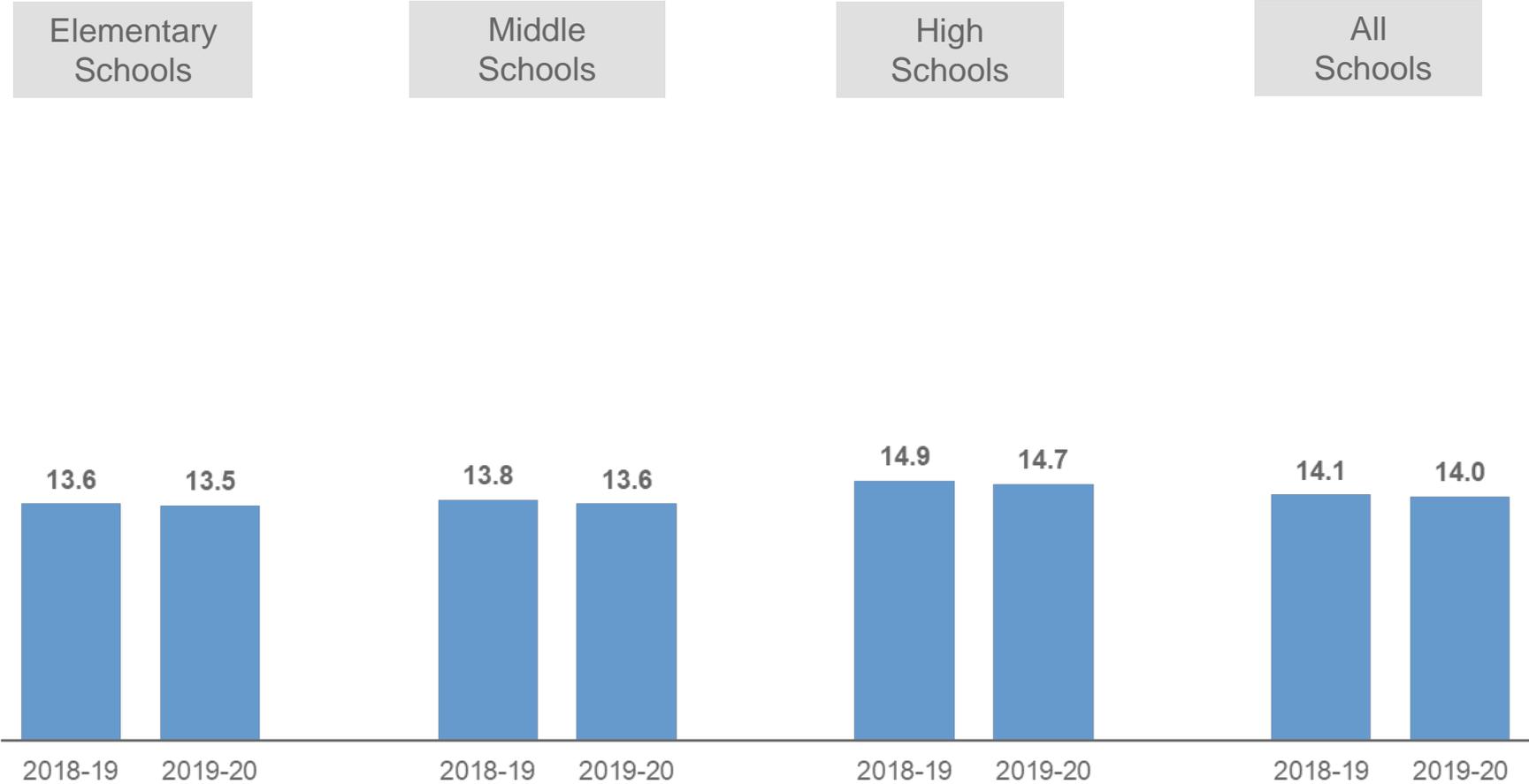
Since 2018-19, 969 schools either decreased or had less than a one percent increase in average class size, while 547 schools increased class size by one or more percent.



# Pupil-to-Teacher Ratio by School Type

## *Updated*

Across all grades in 2019-20, the PTR was 14.0. There was 0.1 decrease from 2018-19.



# 2019-20 Average Class Size by Program Type

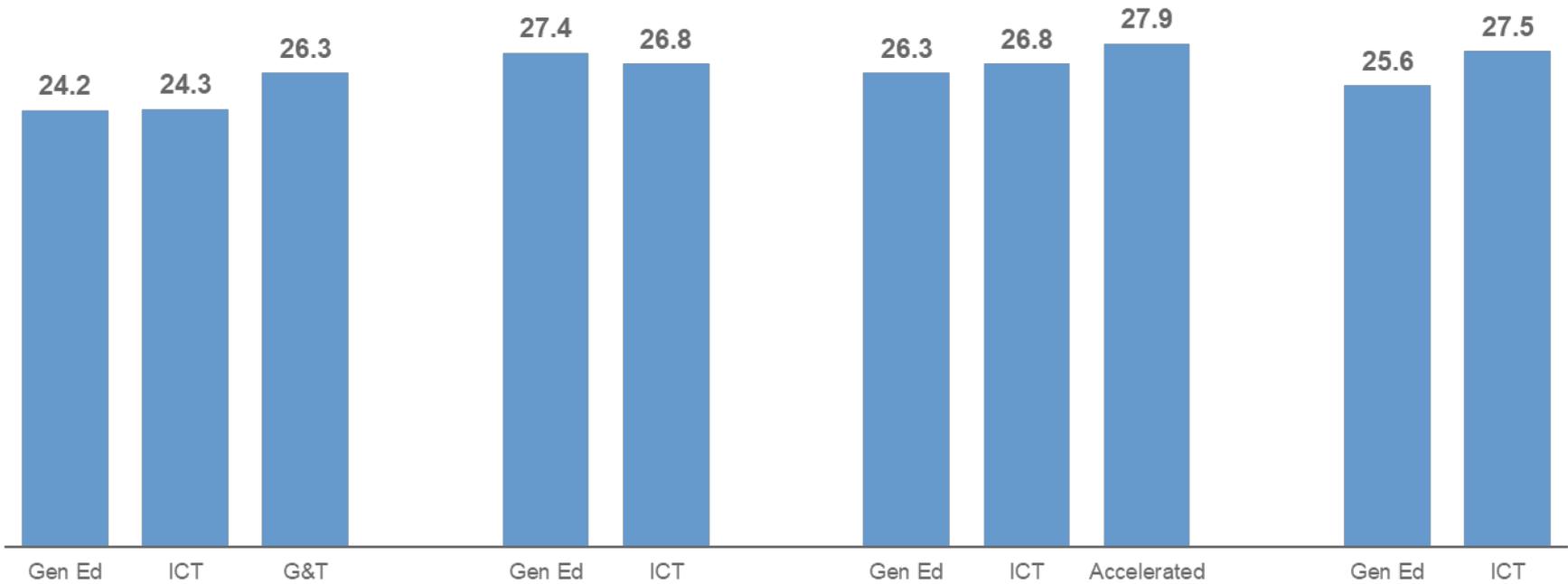
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Grades K-5  
Official Class

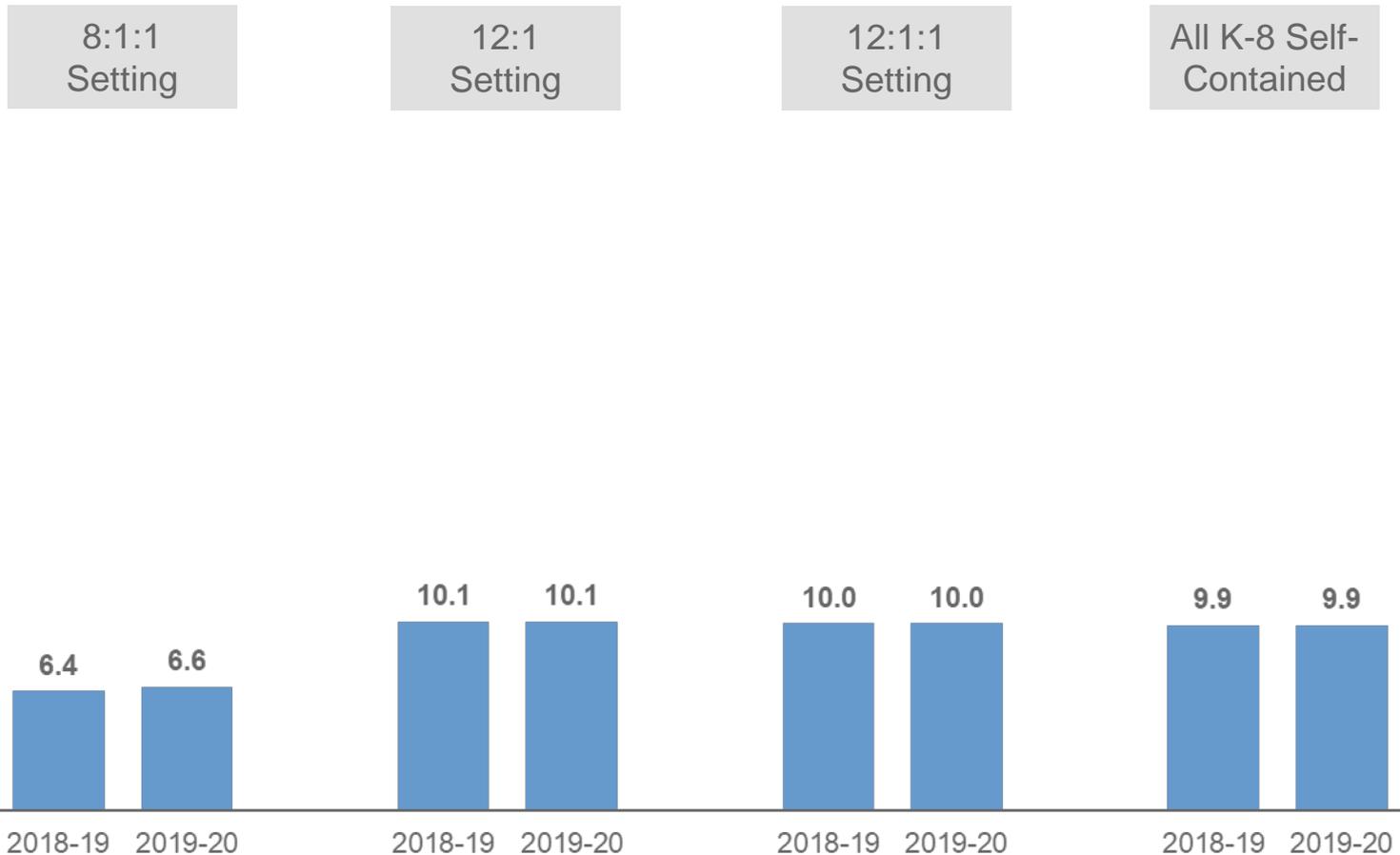
Grades 6-8  
Official Class

Middle School  
Core Courses

High School  
Core Courses



# Average Class Size for Grades K-8 Self-Contained Classes by Setting *Updated*



# 2019-20 Average Class Size By Core Subject for Middle and High School

## *Updated*

General Education, Accelerated and Integrated Co-Teaching Classes

Subject	MS Core	HS Core
English	25.9	25.0
Math	26.5	26.1
Science	27.0	26.8
Social Studies	27.1	26.9
All Core	26.6	26.1

Self-Contained Classes

Subject	MS Core	HS Core
English	9.7	9.5
Math	9.5	11.0
Science	9.6	11.0
Social Studies	9.6	10.4
All Core	9.6	10.4

# Change in Average Class Size, by Grade Level

## *Preliminary*

Grade Level	2018-19	2019-20	Difference
K	21.6	21.7	+0.1
01	24.3	24.0	-0.4
02	24.7	24.7	0.0
03	25.1	24.9	-0.2
04	25.6	25.5	-0.1
05	25.7	25.6	-0.1
06	26.9	26.6	-0.4
07	27.2	27.3	+0.1
08	27.5	27.5	-0.1