

2010-2011 Budget – INCREASED MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASS SIZE SCENARIOS

	Milford Middle School			Strayer Middle School		
		<i>Present</i>	<i>Increased</i>		<i>Present</i>	<i>Increased</i>
Increased Class sizes	<i>Grade 6</i>	23	27	<i>Grade 6</i>	27	27
	<i>Grade 7</i>	24	29	<i>Grade 7</i>	25	27
	<i>Grade 8</i>	24	29	<i>Grade 8</i>	26	29
Reduction of Staff	Up to 3 – actual ability to reduce staff will be limited to K-8 positions vacant through attrition			Up to 2 – actual ability to reduce staff will be limited to K-8 positions vacant through attrition		
Enrollment Implications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class Sizes approaching 30 with some over 30 • Potential for safety concerns in lab environment (science and technology education) 					
Educational Program Implications	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disproportionate class sizes in math (grade level classes will be larger than honors classes) • Less ability to support individual student needs • More difficult to differentiate with larger classes • Behavioral issues increase with larger classes • Less support for remedial opportunities (already decreased aide support through last year’s budget) • FCS standards will be incorporated into other disciplines; FCS will not be taught as a separate class 					
Cyber Possibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order to support a cyber opportunity, the number of course sections in Milford will be lower, which may lead to class sizes beyond 30 if all reductions in staff are taken. • However, class sizes may not be affected depending on the number of student who choose cyber alternatives 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • In order to support a cyber and in-school alternative opportunity, current number of staff needs to be maintained. • Reduction of Strayer staff by two (2) while still trying to support cyber/in-school alternative will increase class sizes beyond 30. • Cyber/in-school alternative opportunity will allow for the possibility of increased options for students to address different learning needs within the Quakertown schools. 		