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KENTUCKY YMCA YOUTH ASSOCIATION KENTUCKY YOUTH ASSEMBLY Premiere Bill

Red	Bill # P20

Referred to Committee: House 3

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School: Memorial Elementary School	House	Senate
City: Hardyville	☐ Passed☐ Defeated	□ Passed

An act to limit the class size for elementary and middle school teachers to 15–20 student maximum.

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Be it enacted by the Youth Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky

Section 1: This bill will ensure that all elementary and middle schools maintain a set student-teacher ratio. For grades 4–8, the ratio should be no more than 20 students to 1 teacher, and for grades K–3, the ratio should be no more than 15 students to 1 teacher.

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Section 2: This bill will allow for smaller class sizes, higher student achievement, and narrowing down the opportunity gap. Research shows that when students belong to a lower class size they will gain the following benefits:

- Students receive quicker and more informative feedback
- 13 More one on one instruction
 - Transition to higher learning is easier

- Section 3: This bill would come into full effect by the 2020–2021 school year. It will be enacted in two phases:
- Phase 1: By the beginning of the 2017–2018 school year, one half of Kentucky's public school districts will be mandated to have this act in place.
- Phase 2: By the beginning of the 2020–2021 school year, all of Kentucky's public schools will implement this act.

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Section 4: This bill will have no affect on private schools.

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Section 5: The purpose of this bill is to decrease the chance of failing grades in classes, and it will also help decrease the chance of bullying because there will be less students for teachers to keep an eye on.