

Classroom Paraprofessionals

The Wallingford Board of Education recognizes that, at times, conditions may be present within a classroom that warrant providing assistance to the classroom teacher in order to maintain an effective educational environment and to deliver the instructional program as designed.

For these reasons, the board has set the following criteria for the employment and assignment of paraprofessionals.

1. Kindergarten: paraprofessional will be provided for each kindergarten class.
2. Transitional Class: a paraprofessional will be provided when enrollment exceeds fifteen (15) students.

Paraprofessionals may also be provided for regular and special education classes to assist teachers with monitoring tasks and to conduct reinforcement activities with students when the nature and size of these classes constitute the need. Requests for paraprofessionals in such situations must be initiated by classroom teachers, endorsed by the building principal in the case of regular educational classes or the Director of Special Services in the case of special education classes, and approved by the Superintendent of Schools.

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