

School Building Authority of West Virginia
SBA MAXIMUM GROSS BUILDING SQUARE FOOTAGE ALLOWANCE
SBA FORM 208

Number of Students	Square Feet Per Student	Number of Students	Square Feet Per Student
ELEMENTARY (PreK-5)		MIDDLE SCHOOLS (6-8)	
Up to 240 students	168	Up to 500 students	154
241-265	158	501-550	149
266-290	150	551-600	144
291-315	141	601-650	138
316-340	135	651-700	133
341-399	128	701-750	128
400-440	118	751-800	123
441-490	112	801-850	118
491-540	106	851-925	113
541-590	100	926-1000	107
591-640	100	Over 1,000 students	102
Over 641 students	99		
 HIGH SCHOOLS (9-12)			
Up to 500 students	234		
501-550	224		
551-600	219		
601-650	213		
651-700	198		
701-750	188		
751-799	181		
800-900	175		
901-1,000	168		
1,001-1,150	163		
1,151-1,300	157		
1,301-1,500	152		
Over 1,500 students	146		

Notes:

1. Maximum allowable square footages are used to provide equity for funding of school with various design enrollments per the requirements of Section 208 of this Handbook – SBA Funding Formula Procedures. Unless an extraordinary Educational Specification that requires additional square footage has been approved by the WVBE and SBA, the maximum building design square footage will be dictated by the number of square feet allowed per student and the established design enrollment calculation prepared for each project.

2. On projects where the design enrollment is below 240 students for a proposed Elementary School, or below 500 students for a proposed Middle School or High School, the LEA and the Architect shall work with the SBA prior to the submission of the grant proposal to ensure the programmatic requirements can be met within the maximum square footage allowance.

3. On projects such as a PreK-8 facility where multiple categories of square footage allowances apply, the enrollment projection breakdown per grade level shall be used across the applicable categories to formulate the maximum square footage allowance.