

**P-05-802 Protecting Class Sizes in Design and Technology Classrooms and Workshops –
Correspondence from Petitioner to Committee, 24.04.18**

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to Ms Williams' letter, it's clear that we both share the same view that the safety and well-being of students is of paramount importance.

I agree that the findings of health and safety risk assessments by professional, competent staff must drive decisions on class sizes, based on the relevant safety standards. To this end, I urge the Cabinet Secretary for Education to send an advice note to all schools, clearly outlining these requirements. I firmly believe that school leaders will benefit from the clarity that such a communication would bring, and ultimately result in safer and higher quality provision for all students.

Yours sincerely
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