



## RUGGLES LANE SCHOOL

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Dear Families of Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade:

As the weather turns warmer, while students' thoughts turn towards the longer days of spring time, our thoughts turn to planning for the 2019-2020 school year. One of the major components of our planning process is the creation of classes. Our overarching goal is to create balanced communities of learners that are ready and primed to meet with success. We approach this responsibility carefully and thoughtfully.

To best meet the needs of each child, we take into account many factors when making this important decision: input from staff, a student's academic, social and emotional profile as well as past school experiences. Please know that the placement team works very hard to meet the needs of all of our learners – a challenge in a school community of 500 learners!

If you feel there is something about your child's profile that needs to be shared with the placement team, or you have concerns regarding placement, I encourage you to write a letter/email to my attention. All letters need to be returned by Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. It is not recommended that you write a letter unless there are significant concerns.

If you are the parent/guardian of twins or triplets, I encourage you to write a letter as to whether you would like your children placed separately or in the same class. If you need help making that decision please feel free to call me or your children's classroom teacher as we are here to assist you.

Please note that the parent placement letter is not a forum to request a specific teacher. Should a request like this be made, the letter will not be forwarded to the placement team. Though I know that, in most cases, these requests are made because families had positive experiences with other siblings, I have great confidence in and respect for each member of our faculty as each teacher works tirelessly to help all students be successful, confident learners.

During the placement process the staff work to create balanced, heterogeneous groups across each small learning community in a grade. Ruggles teachers work hard each and every day to meet the needs of all learners so that each child can progress in his/her learning.

Warm Regards,

Julie Vincentsen  
Principal

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