JET FLASH

Week of May 16, 2022

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Communication is critical to making this school year a success for everyone. If you have any questions, comments, and/or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 419.836.6111 or at jstraka@oregoncs.org **Please join ClassDojo for reminders/updates sent directly to your phone. For more information, contact your child's teacher.** We always look to continuously improve, so your feedback and involvement is always welcome. Follow us on Twitter @JerusalemJets

Important Information and Updates:

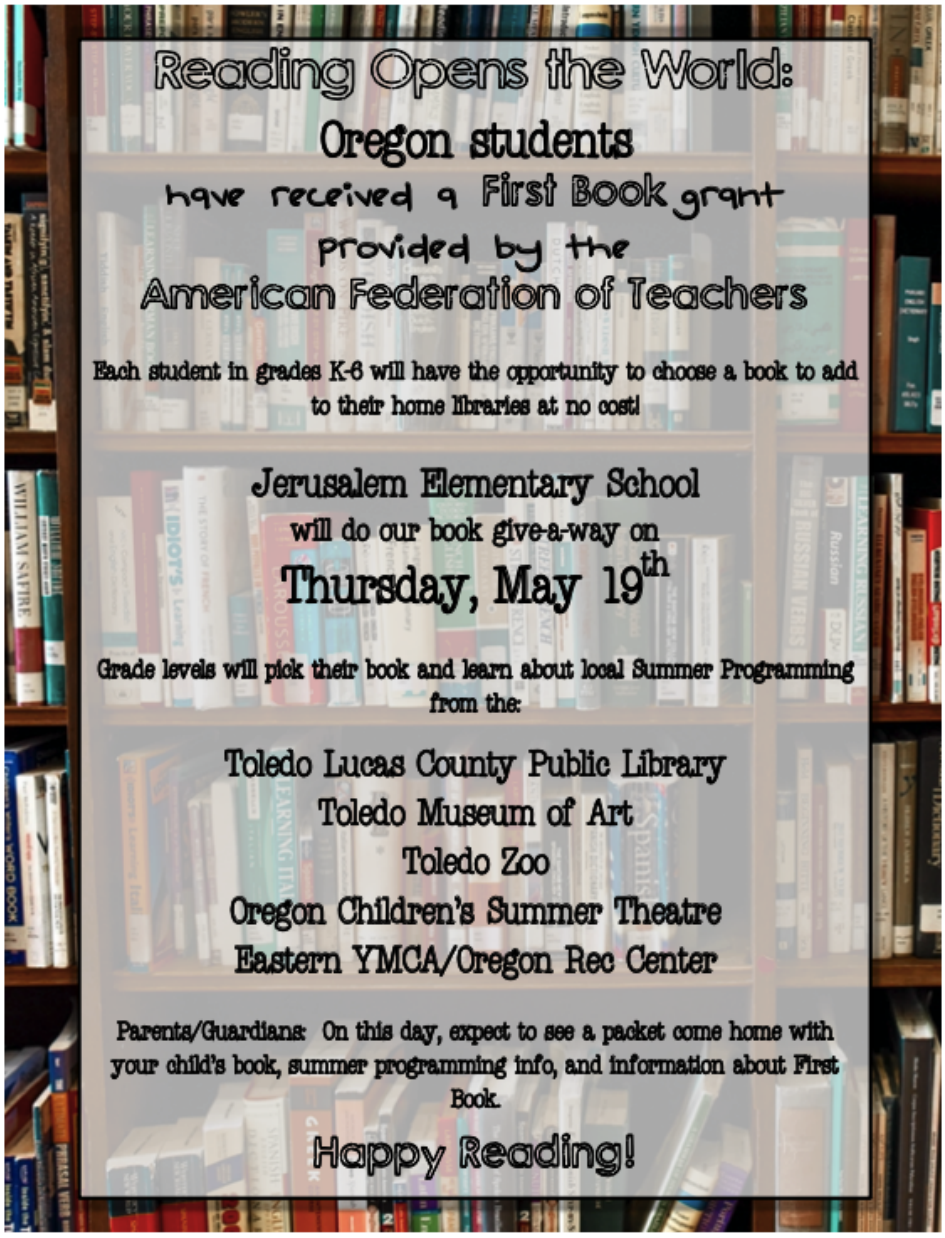
From Mr. Straka, and the Main Office:
What a fantastic week at Jerusalem! The weather was beautiful, and our kids were awesome. Next week will include some of our Jet Shop Rewards and some grade level field trips. Also, don't forget that our last day with students is Friday, May 27th. Students are dismissed at 1:35 on this day.

Parent Pick-Up Cards:
All parents that signed out Pick-Up cards throughout the school year will need to turn them in. There will be a box in the lobby starting on May 23rd. Place them in an envelope and drop them in the box. If there are missing cards you will be accessed the fee on your student account at the cost of $1 per card. (this was the agreement that you signed when the cards were issued)

School Fees:
If your student has any fees that have not been paid you would have received an invoice from the office. A reminder, that these fees DO NOT GO AWAY. They move with your student from one year to the next and from one school to another. Please call to make arrangements. These fees include lost or missing library books.

Teacher Requests:
See the letter below from Mr. Gregory for more information regarding teacher requests for next year. All requests must be written and are due by the **end of May.** All requests will be taken into consideration, but not all requests may be granted. Please email requests to jstraka@oregoncs.org

First Book Giveaway:



2022-2023 Registration for Returning Students:
Student registration will open July 22, and end August 1. All returning students entering grades 1-12 need to have registration submitted for the 2022-23 school year. As in the past, you will need to log into your PowerSchool Parent Portal to complete this process. Please make sure you are able to login to avoid complications and frustration in July. If you are unable to login to your portal, or haven't created one yet, please contact Linda Toth by June 23 (parent portals will be disabled from June 30 – July 21) at 419-693-0661 x3273 or send an e-mail to PowerSchoolParentPortal@oregoncs.org to request assistance.

The registration process will be the same as in past years. If you need assistance to complete the process, directions will be posted to the Oregon City Schools (OCS) website at www.oregoncityschools.org. Additional information and reminders will be sent out via e-mail and posted to the OCS website as we approach the July 22 launch.

Focus 3 at Jerusalem:
This year, staff and students have been working hard learning about Focus 3 and the R-Factor (response factor) process. We have discussed with students the concept of E+R=O, R1: Press Pause, and R2: Get Your Mind Right.

Focus 3 teaches discipline-driven behavioral skills that are critical to any school or organization's growth, but also focuses on individual and group development.

Friday, May 13th will be our last Focus 3 Friday for the school year. We will introduce one last response factor (R3: Step-up) and we have a lot of exciting wrap-up activities for the students. Look for the Jerusalem Focus 3 Activity Book which will be coming home with your child in the near future!

OCS STEM Academy- Registration is Now Open:
The OCS STEM Academy is now accepting registrations from current 4th through 7th graders for next school year. If your child likes to build with LEGOs and is interested in programming, check out the information on our website to learn more about our program and for registration information https://bit.ly/OCS5-8. Spots are limited, and all registration information is due no later than May 13, 2022.

Parent Drop-off:
Reminder- The building is not open for students until 8:45 am each morning (unless they are here for a club or a meeting). Please do not have them enter the building to wait in the lobby before this time, since we do not have supervision available. Thanks for your cooperation!

2022 Jet Fitness Club:
Fitness Club is for students grades 2-4 and will be meeting before school on Tuesday/Thursday from 8:00-8:45 am. The first meeting is Tuesday, March 15th. See the flier below for more information.

2022
JET FITNESS CLUB

Students in grades 2nd, 3rd, and 4th who are interested in improving their fitness are invited to join the Jet Fitness Club. Jet Fitness Club will meet every Tuesday and Thursday during the 4th quarter of school.

The purpose of Jet Fitness Club will be to focus on the basic fundamentals of fitness with a goal of improving cardio-respiratory fitness. Activities will vary from session to session. There is absolutely **NO COST** to join the Jet Fitness Club!!!

Dates: (Tuesdays and Thursdays)

Tuesday March 15th, 2022 – Thursday May 19th, 2022
The club will meet before school from 8:00am – 8:45am.
Please drop your child off in the back of the building by the playground. We will enter through those doors. They will go straight from Jet Fitness to class. Breakfast and milk will be provided for all

Prepared students should:
- Be dressed for the weather (we will be going outside if weather permits)
- Have comfortable running shoes

Any questions: Contact Gary Allen, Jerusalem Physical Education Teacher,
(419) 836-6111 ext 2129 – gallen@oregoncs.org

YMCA Swim Lessons:
The Eastern Community YMCA is offering Swim Lessons again this year. Registration opens on Feb. 14th, and will be held at the Pickle Road location. Please contact Brett Winslow at 419-691-2409 ext 2067, or email bwinslow@ymcatoledo.org for more information.

Cell Phones and other electronic devices:
Just a reminder that all cell phones, smartwatches, and other personal electronic devices must be turned off and placed in the student's lockers upon arriving at school. These devices are often a distraction to students, and are not permitted to be with students during the day. Thanks for your cooperation!

From the Office:
Parent pickup at the end of the day. All calls should be made by 3:00 and no later. This will give the teacher time to check messages and drastically reduce the possibility of the student being in the wrong line. Thank you for your understanding.

Lunch Menu:
Click here for the lunch menu.

Lost and found
We understand that sometimes students leave items behind. To help us get the item back to them, please write their name on/in the item. i.e. lunch boxes, jackets. Thank you for helping us.

Jerusalem Spirit Wear:
The Jerusalem Parents Group has partnered with 1st Place Spiritwear to offer online shopping year round.
https://1stplacespiritwear.com/schools/OH/Curtice/Jerusalem+Elementary+School

Deliveries for Students:
Jerusalem Elementary has implemented a system for items to be delivered to students once the day begins. **Please leave items on the table outside the office door**, complete the delivery log, and notify the secretary of your delivery. Thanks for your cooperation!

2021-2022 School Calendar:
Click here for the 2021-2022 District Calendar.

Student/Parent Handbooks:
Click here for the current Student/Parent Handbook.

School Supplies:
For a list of school supplies for each grade level, click here.

Morning Drop-Off Routine:
Please see the following important information involving the morning drop-off routine for students. Students will not be permitted to enter the building until **8:45 am**. Please do not let your child(ren) exit the vehicle until the main entrance doors are opened. Thanks for your cooperation!

- Please drive **slowly.**
- Please drop off your student(s) **between** the Safety Markers (plastic figures with flags). Do not drop off outside of this zone.
- Please stay in the car drop-off line until your child(ren) exits the vehicle. Do not drive around other vehicles to move ahead in line, or to exit the lot.
- Please have any and all children in your vehicle exit on the **building/driver side** of the vehicle.
- **Do not park in the drop off line.** We need to keep the traffic moving. It is preferred that students are dropped off in the identified zone, rather than walked into the building. If you need to enter the building for an appointment you must park your vehicle in a parking space, and carefully walk your child(ren) into the building.

Thank you for following these procedures, as we all work together to make the arrival process safe for students, parents, and staff.

Student Dismissal:
To help with the flow of traffic, parent pick-up students will be dismissed to the main entrance beginning at 3:30 pm. Please be sure to have your pick-up card out, and your child(ren)'s card attached to their book bag in a

visible location. Parents should wait inside the foyer, or just outside the doors while waiting for their child(ren). Please be patient with this process. If you don't have a parent pick-up card, you will be asked to enter the office and provide your ID.

POP TABS:

As we have done in the past, we are collecting POP tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. These get cashed in for money for their food program. It may not seem like anything to us as we throw them in the recycling bin, but it does have weight and value to them. Just have your child turn them into the office and we will deliver them to the Ronald McDonald House.

Grade Level and Team Updates:

Kindergarten- We had a great time at Clay High School with the Agriculture Program for our field trip. The high school students did a fantastic job of teaching us about animals, pollution, and plants. Thank you to Mrs. Wolfe and her students! Homework for kindergarten is done, no more, finished. We will be continuing to assess our students next week for the grade card. All kindergarten classes sent home a letter in regards to our last week of school activities. Please refer to this letter for all the details. As always, thank you for ALL you do!

1st Grade- Over the next few weeks there are many fun and exciting activities planned for the students. We will also be finishing our end of the quarter assessments. In ELA, we will read the story *Naughty Mabel* by Devlin Elliot. The students will be reviewing many different skills - why authors write and how you read different kinds of books depends on their purpose; character traits; synonyms; nouns, verbs, and adjectives; comparing/contrasting cats and dogs; and reading all about cats and dogs as pets. In Writing, the students will be completing another "On Demand" question and explain how to take care of a cat or a dog as a pet. In Math, we will begin Chapter 14 on Fractions or Equal Parts. Enjoy your weekend!

2nd Grade-The Second graders are looking forward to our field trip to the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge on Friday, May 20th! Please make sure your child has turned in their permission slip to their teacher, if they have not done

so already. There is no cost for the field trip, but your child will need to bring a sack lunch and drink the day of the trip. Please make sure your child dresses for the weather because we will be outside all day! The next few weeks will be busy as we work on finishing our end of the quarter assessments. In Math, we will review two step story problems and in Science, we will continue our Habitat Unit and research different animal habitats. Have a wonderful weekend!

3rd Grade- The next few weeks will be busy with many exciting activities! In our studies, we are finishing our Titanic informational writing and students are creating their own presentations in class using posters or Google Slides. We are finishing our geometry unit and will be reviewing previously learned concepts over the next two weeks. We will be reading and discussing articles using our Scholastic News and Science Spin magazines for Science and Social Studies. Our 3rd grade field trip to Sauder will be Wednesday, May 18th. If you signed up to chaperone, we will send more information home with your child this week. The students are looking forward to our end of year cookout on May 24th! Have a nice weekend!

4th Grade- We are having a great May! Thank you to all chaperones who have helped supervise students on our field trips! We enjoyed our time at Fort Meigs today! Next Friday, we will have our last field trip to the Glass Pavilion, with a tour and glass blowing demonstration. Our studies are winding down as well. In ELA, we're doing novel studies. In Social Studies and ELA, we're finishing our inventor research and writing. We will also learn Timelines. In Science, we'll finish *Super Science* and start circuits. In Math, we are designing an amusement park using math skills. Enjoy the weekend!

Physical Education with Mr. Allen- Next week in PE, we will finish up with our FIeld Jam planning. We have done 13 out of the 17 activities. The kids have been working so hard on them and I am excited to see them in action on May 25th. Have a great weekend.

Music with Mrs. Reinhart - The next two weeks we will be looking back and reviewing songs and skills from the beginning of the year. It's amazing what we have accomplished!

STEAM with Mrs. Minnick- This week Kindergarten students explored the prairie for signs of living and non living things. We also harvested our lettuce

that we grew. First and second graders designed Lego Ziplines. Third graders created mini golf courses using different angles and programed our Sphero mini robots to go through the course. Fourth graders finished up our cardboard creation project.

Character Lessons with Mrs. Hower- Once a month, I go into each classroom to discuss various topics with students. The elementary school counselors throughout the district have monthly themes that we try to follow to stay consistent. This is done in the hopes that when our Eagles come together in 5th, they will have had similar foundations in Character Education.

August: Meet the Counselor/ Word of the Month: Integrity
September: Respect or Diversity/ Word of the Month: Respect
October: Bully Awareness/ Word of the Month: Encouragement
November: Friendship (For 1st and 3rd Grade: CAPP)/Word of the Month: Compassion
December: Kindness/Word of the Month: Empathy
January: Growth Mindset/ Word of the Month: Preparation
February: Stress Management/ Word of the Month: Optimism
March: Conflict Resolution/ Word of the Month: Self-Control
April: HOPE Curriculum/ Perseverance
May: Career Focus/ Word of the Month: Courage

Box Tops for Education:- Need to Update
Please see the attached. Local stores that you can scan receipts and Jerusalem will get credit for any items that qualifies.... COSTCO, Kroger, WalMart and Meijer. Help us earn money while you are shopping. From November to March we earned $21.80. Thank you.

KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS:
Did you know that you can earn money for Jerusalem Elementary School by shopping at Kroger?? All you need to do is sign up at the website below, and present your Kroger Plus Card when checking out! This quarter (Nov to Jan) we had 119 families participate earning $656.63!! All money that we raise is used for the students in the form of assemblies, rewards, and much more.
https://www.kroger.com/account/enrollCommunityRewardsNow/

RITE AID REWARDS:

We have started a new rewards system with Rite Aid. It works the same as Kroger. We earn $$ when you shop and fill prescriptions. Follow this link to sign up. Currently we have 24 families signed up. There is a promotion that if we get 25 participants there will be a cash incentive to the building. These funds will be used for rewards to the students.

Please take a moment to support Jerusalem Elementary School and our students.

Click on our school link. Even if you fill one prescription it will help us raise funds.

support.rxfundraising.com/JerusalemElementarySchool

CLOTHES BIN UPDATE:
Did you know that **JERUSALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL** and **Clothes Bin®** have partnered to collect and recycle old clothing, shoes and textiles? **So, please do not throw them away!** Just place the items in the ***green*** recycling bin in our parking lot. **Every pound of recycled items supports our school! TO DATE TOTALS THIS SCHOOL YEAR… $574.15**

Oregon Recreation Department Info:
The following link will direct you to information from the Oregon Rec Dept.
https://www.oregonohiorec.com/
See below for the attached flyer from the Oregon Rec and upcoming activities.

Jerusalem's Facebook Page:
Jerusalem is excited to introduce our new Facebook page! Check us out at https://www.facebook.com/JerusalemElementarySchool

Jerusalem Elementary is on Twitter:
Jerusalem's Twitter account is now active. Please follow us @JerusalemJets to see some of the great things happening at Jerusalem Elementary!

ClassDojo:
ClassDojo is a communication app for the classroom. It connects teachers, parents, and students who use it to share photos, videos, and messages through the school day. They use **ClassDojo** to work together as a team, share in the classroom experience, and bring big ideas to life in their classrooms and homes. Jerusalem teachers may be using ClassDojo in a variety of ways within their classroom throughout the school year. Not all teachers are currently using this tool within their classroom at this time, as it is their choice. Some teachers will continue to communicate with parents through email, phone, newsletters, etc. **However, we encourage you to sign up for ClassDojo to receive important building updates/messages from Mr. Straka**. Information on signing up for ClassDojo will be sent home from your child's teacher.

OCS FLYER Distribution Center:
Oregon City Schools has a Flyer Distribution Center with the purpose of communicating school and community information in a centralized location. Many of the flyers for district-wide and non-OCS events and activities you might normally find in this newsletter, will now be posted on this centralized site. Please visit the site here:
https://www.oregoncityschools.org/PublicationsFlyerDistributionCenter.asp

Upcoming Events:

May

20	4th Grade TMA Field Trip
20	2nd Grade Ottawa Wildlife Field Trip
25	Jet Jamboree/Field Day
27	4th Grade Student Recognition Assembly (students only), 10:00 am
27	Last Day for Students, 2-Hour Early Release (K-8)

Have a great week!

The Jerusalem Elementary School ***Student of the Month*** program is for those students who continuously do the right thing. The program is based on qualities such as character, leadership, and citizenship. This is not based solely on academics. The student of the month is a diligent student, completes his/her assignments on time, shows a strong effort to learn subjects to the best of their ability, is prepared for class, and has good classroom participation.

The student of the month demonstrates excellent behavior in and out of the classroom, is well mannered, and respectful to both peers and adults. The student of the month displays excellent citizenship by working together with classmates in a cooperative attitude. Lastly, the student of the month demonstrates character through his/her compassion, honesty, trustworthiness, responsibility, optimism, and loyalty by helping to create a positive school environment.

Each classroom will acknowledge one student per month to be the Student of the Month. Nominations will be done by the classroom teacher(s) and other staff members within the building. Teachers are encouraged to use the following guidelines:

RESPECTFUL

- Honest, trustworthy, and respectful
- Polite and respectful towards other students, staff, volunteers and all guests and visitors.
- Uses kind and positive words
- Listens to the speaker (teacher or peer)
- Be respectful to themselves, each other, their school and their community

RESPONSIBLE

- Follows directions and gives 100% of their best effort in class.
- Student is a positive role model by example.
- They are actively engaged in their learning.
- Student follows class and school rules.

READY

- Comes to school prepared and ready to learn.
- Uses class time wisely and completes class work in a timely manner.
- Student participates and puts forth good effort in all areas
- Student arrives to school daily and on time

Each nominated student will be acknowledged at the end of the month by enjoying pizza and juice with Mr. Straka, and a special prize will be given. Also, look for the names of these students to be displayed on our Student of the Month bulletin board! Acknowledgement days will take place on the last Friday of the month, unless otherwise specified.

JERUSALEM ELEMENTARY SCHOOL and **Clothes Bin®** have partnered to collect and recycle old clothing, shoes and textiles!

So, please do not throw them away!

Just place the items in the ***green*** recycling bin in our parking lot.

Every pound of recycled items supports our school!

Below is a list of items that can be placed in our bin:

Clothing: pants, jeans, skirts, dresses, suits, shorts, shirts, tees, tanks
Footwear: shoes, boots, heels, sneakers, sandals, socks, tights
Undergarments: bras, underwear, slips, camisoles
Accessories: hats, belts, ties, scarves, headbands
Handbags: wallets, totes, luggage, backpacks, briefcases
Linens: towels, sheets, comforters, blankets, tablecloths

As you clean out the old and bring in the new, ***you*** can help the environment and ***Jerusalem Elementary School*** too!

Dear Families,

During this challenging time, our teachers and students need more help than ever. No matter what school looks like, Box Tops for Education is a fast and easy way for you to help out from home.

The Box Tops program has been around for over 20 years, and it really works. In fact, Box Tops for Education has helped give almost a billion dollars to schools since 1996. In 2019, the program evolved to become digital so that you can earn for your school with just the touch of a button.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS: Buy participating products and use the Box Tops mobile app to scan your store receipt. The app identifies eligible products and automatically adds Box Tops to your school's earnings online. Even if you're shopping online or doing grocery pickup, you can still submit your e-receipts and earn Box Tops. Twice a year, our school gets a check!

Your earnings may seem small, but they really do add up. The more people that participate, the bigger the impact we can make. So let's give our teachers the support they need and help give more kids the opportunity to dream. **Little by little, we can help make a big difference.**

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You Can Help Us Earn Funds

Our new fundraiser is off to a great start. Please remember to transfer your prescriptions and use **Rite Aid Pharmacy** for your prescription needs and shopping to help us raise funds.

Please take a moment to support Jerusalem Elementary School.

Even if you only fill one prescription it will help us raise funds. Please click on our link to support us.

support.rxfundraising.com/JerusalemElementarySchool

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May, 2022

Throughout the next few months, we will begin the process of planning for next year. This includes assessing our master schedule, the effectiveness of our curricular programs, establishing our staffing needs, and, of course, creating class lists for 2022-2023 school year.

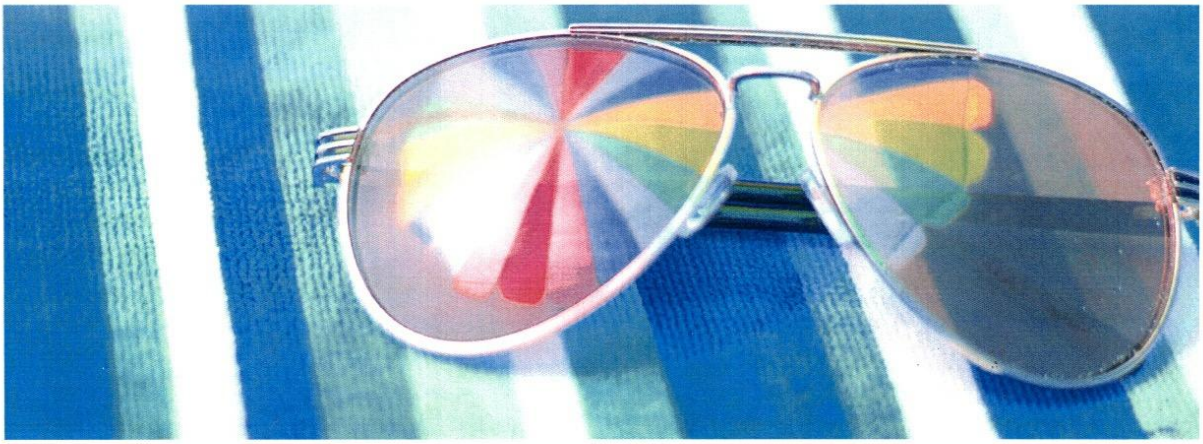
This process of creating class lists requires time and careful consideration. Initially, your child's teacher will review his/her current class list. During this stage, your child's teacher will indicate the academic and behavioral needs of individual students. This information along with the overall composition of the class is considered in order to make the best possible classroom assignment for each student.

If you feel that a particular learning situation may be more appropriate for your child, you are asked to provide a description of the suggested classroom setting to the building principal so that it can be taken into consideration. Specific teacher requests will not be honored. **Parent letters with specific information that may help place a child in the most appropriate setting need to be submitted to the building principal by the end of May.**

Class balance is extremely important for the success of all our students. Rosters are composed with consideration to each individual's learning style, peer relationships, gender ratio, disciplinary concerns, and the academic needs of all our students. We appreciate you placing trust in the professionals who work with your children on a daily basis in the learning environment.

Sincerely,

Hal D. Gregory Superintendent



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