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Ecole Agnes Davidson School

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Teacher Requests

Following extensive discussions regarding the merit of accommodating requests for specific teachers, it was determined that the volume of requests make it impossible to maintain optimal class balance both with respect to size and composition. In line with previous years, we no longer grant teacher requests by name. We believe that parents can still provide us with, additional, invaluable insight with respect to considerations when placing their child.

Rather than accepting notes, letters, emails or phone calls from parents requesting a specific teacher for their child, a “Student Profile Form” has been created. This form allows for communication of considerations that lie outside of requesting a specific teacher.

There is much to consider in the creation of the composition of each class for the upcoming year and this takes us several weeks to work through each spring. We look at physical, academic, second language and behavioral considerations. We consider children’s personalities and how well they have worked together in the past. Gender ratios help us to balance out the rest. Finally, class sizes are considered so that each grade level class is similar in size. The current year’s teachers play a large role in creating classes based on their experience working with the children in the school. The key is to find the best balance for each grade level classroom to ensure student success. Additionally, we need to remember that our staffing process is not completed until summer. Given these factors, it is no longer possible to grant requests for specific teachers.

Should you wish to complete the form, please email/scan it to megan.cummins@lethsd.ab.ca by Thursday April 30th.

Parent/Guardian name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_(Printed)

Parent/Guardian signature:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Student name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Student entering grade: \_\_\_\_\_\_

I want to share the following about my child that will help make the best possible placement decision: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Student profile forms will not be accepted after April 30th