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WAYNESVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PARENT INPUT FOR CLASS PLACEMENT 2011-12

Dear Waynesville Elementary Parents,

Each school year is approached with much anticipation and excitement for our students. We will soon begin the student placement process for next school year. Our goal is to provide an environment that allows each child to progress and succeed to their greatest potential. **Your child's education is our #1 priority in making decisions for class placement.**

As a staff we will devote our expertise and time toward creating classrooms which are balanced for optimal teaching and learning. Much of our planning includes analyzing the progress of each student as well as examining student enrollment projections for the 2011-12 school year. Our placement process is a team effort done with great thought and care. We work diligently to balance each class with the following criteria uppermost in our thinking:

- *Academic performance (may include DIBELS/DRA scores, IOWA scores, OAA scores, grades)*
- *Independent work habits*
- *Special learning needs*
- *Boy/Girl ratio*
- *Equitable class size*
- *Individualized learning styles*
- *Discipline referrals*
- *Social/emotional development/interactions*

Our initial class lists are drawn up with input from the current teachers and other support staff. Please be assured that the staff will review each child's needs individually and work hard to ensure success for the new school year. Your child's class assignment will be posted in August.

Please do **not** request a specific teacher's classroom or for your child to be placed with his or her friends. If you feel a need to share more information about your child's learning needs, you may pick up a Student Information Sheet at the Elementary Office or download from our website to be returned no later than **Friday, May 13, 2011**. Your input is important and will help in achieving the BEST possible placement for your child next school year. Feel free to contact me with any questions.

Jean L. Hartman

Elementary Principal