SOUTH STREET SCHOOL

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JOHN-MICHAEL J. JACKSON Principal

May 5, 2025

Dear South Street School Parents,

As the calendar moves towards June, we are beginning the process of classroom/student placement for the 2025-2026 school year. Student placement is made with careful consideration, incorporating input from classroom teachers and support staff who work with your child. As we go through this process, one of our main goals is to structure our classes heterogeneously. This includes a number of variables to ensure that each section is balanced. Factors that contribute to planning are:

- The learning styles of individual students
- Recommendations from the current grade-level team and support staff
- The proportion of boys and girls
- An academic and social balance reflective of the entire grade level

No one person or factor determines the class placement of your child. Our team approach relies on the input and expertise of a variety of stakeholders who have regular contact with your child. Some of these staff members include: classroom teacher, reading specialist, psychologist/social worker, speech therapist, special area teachers and nurse.

We have confidence in our approach to classroom placement and your perspective is an important part of that method. We will not accept requests for specific teachers. We do however believe that it is very important for you to provide information pertinent to your child's academic and social/emotional profile to support our team throughout the class placement process.

To assist this effort, your input is required to help us with placement. Please complete the Google Form by May 18, 2025. All pertinent information regarding your child's academic and social/emotional needs must be completed through the Google Form. Please do not make requests through your child's current teacher. Using the link below, we ask that you complete a form for each child you have in the school.

Parent Information Form 2025-2026

We appreciate your collaboration and cooperation in the class assignment process. Completion of this form does not secure specific teacher placement. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact my office at (631) 801-3141.

Sincerely,

John-Michael J. Jackson

Principal