## Principal News - Preparing for Fall 2016

Staff members at Meadowbrook are already planning for next year. At this time we are unsure of how many sections will be at each grade level but we will start the beginning stages in April of developing class lists for the 2016-2017 school year. Creating class lists is a time consuming task for teachers as it is very important for us to utilize the following variables to create classrooms that are optimal for learning:

- Balancing the ability levels of students so there is a rich blend of strengths in every classroom
- Distributing children who see special teachers in a manner that will facilitate scheduling
- Separating children who have demonstrated conflicts that interfere with their learning and/or the learning of others
- Equalizing class sizes
- Creating a relative balance of boys and girls
- Reflecting on the learning styles of students and teachers

As district elementary schools, we ask that you do not request a specific teacher. If you feel your child has a special individualized need, you can share this information by requesting the "Special Student Consideration Form" from our school office. Your child will be placed by a team of teachers committed to insure that each classroom is created for ALL of the students' success. Special student consideration requests are due in the school office by April 22, 2016.

Because of the uneven growth that occurs within our school district, the teacher your child will be assigned to will be e-mailed to you in August.

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