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Dear Parents,

Summer is quickly approaching and so is the last day of school, which includes Step Up Day! On June 20, students in current Grades K-4 will “step up” and meet their new teachers and new classmates. We want the students to leave their new classrooms filled with excitement and anticipation for the school year ahead.


As always I would appreciate your support in this activity. Your reaction to the news of your child’s teacher will guide his/her reaction. I know that class placement is important to you and your children, and as we do every year, the teachers and I have taken great care to create balanced classes at every grade level using a thorough and thoughtful process. Please discourage your child from getting his/her heart set on a specific teacher. I’m sure you know how lucky we are to have such wonderful teachers at Ridge, and I can say with confidence that every teacher here has the talent, skill, and motivation to provide your child(ren) with a wonderful school year.

Similarly, please guide your child(ren) not to put too much emphasis on how many friends are in their new class. Friendships were not our priority in creating new classes. Elementary school is a time when children should be reaching out and making new friends every year. They’ll see their old friends every day before and after school, in the hallways, and at lunchtime. Getting to know new children or children they’ve never been in class with should be viewed as a positive experience.

Step Up Day will take place on Wednesday, June 20. The name of your child’s teacher for 2018-2019 will also be on the report card, which will be posted to Skyward after 3:00pm on June 20.

Thank you again for your support throughout the year. Ridge School is a special place because of our wonderful home and school relationship. Enjoy the summer and we’ll see you in September!

Sincerely,



Jean Schoenlank, Ed.D.
Principal