



Tamara M. Ferlick, Principal

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Dear Parents:

At this time of year, we begin to think of student placements for the 2024 – 2025 school year. The faculty and I devote a considerable amount of time placing students in class groupings for the upcoming year. Since we consider the placement process to be one of our most important tasks, I would like to share the process we use across the district.

Student placement is determined and reviewed by a team of professionals including your child's present teacher(s), school counselor, school psychologist, student support teacher, reading specialist, and myself. Each child's academic ability and performance, social and emotional growth and needs are discussed, as well as peer relationships. We strive to create heterogeneous classes that function as cohesive groups and provide each child with an educational environment that will best meet his or her needs.

Parents and guardians who wish to provide us with information about their child's learning needs are welcome to complete the form on the reverse and return it to their child's teacher no later than Wednesday, April 17, 2024. These completed forms will be given to your child's new teacher in August so that your priorities can receive full consideration during the next school year.

**Please note there is no space provided on the form to request a specific teacher.** Instead, we are interested in knowing about your child's learning needs. Additionally, due to the unpredictability of enrollments and some teacher vacancies, final decisions about teacher assignments may not be resolved until sometime during the summer.

Thank you for your help and support.

Sincerely,

Tamara Ferlick  
Principal

Souderton Area School District  
EMC Elementary School

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Current Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Current Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this form and return it to your child's current teacher no later than April 17, 2024. Your comments and understanding of the criteria used to place children are important. Please emphasize points important to you. **Please remember not to request a specific teacher.**

**SPECIFIC NEEDS OF YOUR CHILD:**

A. Type of Learning Environment:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

B. Type of emphasis on Skill Development:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

C. Social Activities and Friendships:

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\_\_\_\_\_

D. Learning Characteristics:

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E. Additional Comments:

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\_\_\_\_\_ MY CHILD(REN) WILL NO LONGER ATTEND EMC ELEMENTARY.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_