

Heritage School Class Placement Process 2008- 2009

At Heritage School, the creation of balanced classes is fundamental in supporting the instructional program and diverse needs of all the learners within the classroom setting. The class creation process is a complex one involving the gathering of information about student needs and the making of collaborative decisions about students' placement in classes.

The purpose of the Class Placement Process is to maximize the learning and teaching opportunities for all students and teachers by constructing balanced classes. Every effort is made to minimize the potential for negative student interactions.

Collaborative staff teams - classroom teachers, support teachers (Resource, Music, Phys Ed, Counselor) and administration make up the team. Using professional judgment, they strive to construct classes that are heterogeneous (mixed) and balanced in composition.

The following criteria are used to establish balanced classes:

- Student performance
- Our knowledge of social interactions and dynamics between individual students and groups of students, including friendships in the school context
- Placement of students new to Heritage School
- Male/female ratio
- Parent information
- Approximately equal class sizes at any grade level
- Students with special needs



School Opening 2008

The school office will re-open to the public on August 19th.

The 2008/09 school year will commence with opening day conferences on September 2nd and 3rd, 2008, and the first day of classes for students will be Thursday, September 4th, 2008.



PARENT COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held on June 3rd, 2008 at 5:00 p.m. Elections for the new year will take place. Please consider letting your name stand to help run a particular program in the school. We need your help! Babysitting will be available. For more details, call Carmen at 831-6206.

“We cannot protect our children from life. Therefore it is essential that we prepare them for it.” - Rudolf Dreikurs

School wide breakfast program

Thanks to the generous grant from Breakfast for Learning and the assistance from our staff, we started our school wide breakfast program in April. All students may attend. Students are let into the gym for breakfast starting at 8:15 a.m. Children proceed to their classrooms at 8:35 a.m. Breakfast will be available to all students on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays until the end of June.



BREAKFAST FOR LEARNING

NO EARLY DISMISSAL

**Please note there is no early dismissal
on Tuesday, June 17, 2008.**