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Dear Parents/Guardians of Elementary Children:

In order to maximize parents' flexibility in securing the best possible program for their elementary school children next year, we are providing an extended opportunity for out-of-district placements. Because it is now clear that some elementary class sizes in the 2008-09 school year will be much larger than in the past, you may want to consider transferring your child or children to another neighborhood school with smaller classes.

If you would like to pursue this opportunity, the directions are printed below. The current class sizes in our elementary schools are available on the NPS website (<http://www.newton.k12.ma.us>). However, please be aware that these class sizes often change during the summer as families move into and out of the elementary school districts.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey M. Young
Superintendent of Schools

**SPECIAL ELEMENTARY OUT-OF-DISTRICT SCHOOL PROCEDURE FOR
THE 2008-09 School Year Only**

Out-of-District placements for students who wish to attend an elementary school in Newton other than their district school are limited. Such placements are made on a space available basis only. Placement decisions are made by the Deputy Superintendent of Schools in consultation with the sending and receiving school principals and are not subject to appeal.

For the 2008/09 school year, applications will be accepted between May 30 and June 13 only. Applications received after June 13 will not be considered unless a family shows evidence of having moved to Newton after that date. Placement decisions will be announced shortly after June 13.

Students who are accepted for out-of-district placement must stay in the school selected for the entire 2008-09 school year and are expected to remain in the out-of-district elementary school through grade 5. Students who wish to return to their original neighborhood elementary school in 2009-10 must notify the Attendance Office of their intent by April 1, 2009. Students who wish to attend the middle school associated with their out-of-district elementary school feeder pattern must apply when the filing date is announced.

Parents/guardians will be responsible for transporting their child to the out-of-district school.

An out-of-district application form for this extended opportunity to make requests for the 2008-09 school year is attached. You may call 617-559-6030 with questions. Applications should be returned to the Attendance Office at 100 Walnut Street, Room 320, Newtonville, MA 02460, by the June 13 deadline.

SPECIAL APPLICATION
FOR ELEMENTARY OUT -OF-DISTRICT School Placement - 2008-2009

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION:

Grade: September, 2008 _____

School Requested (one school per form)

District School

Student's Name

Date of Birth

Street address Village Zip

Telephone

Sibling(s)/School(s) Attending September, 2008

➤ **Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian**

PRINT NAME

-By signing this form I acknowledge that I have read the Special Elementary Administrative Procedure for the 2008-09 school year (Printed above).

-Reason for Request- REQUIRED - application will not be considered if section not completed

Please note: Application submitted after June 13 will not be considered. Placement decisions will be made shortly after June 13 and are not subject to appeal.

Date Received: _____