



Hillcrest Elementary School

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Dear Hillcrest Parents:

In an effort to achieve the goal of providing each student with a full year of academic growth each year, the district and building administration have made some enhancements to the instructional program.

The centerpiece of this change is with regard to guided reading. Our guided reading structure helps our staff ensure that students are appropriately placed into small, leveled/skill based groups. These small groups help to improve effective targeted instruction for our students.

The master schedule for the building has also been improved to maximize the amount of contact time that each teacher has with students. We believe that it is essential that our students receive every possible minute that our teachers can offer them, so opportunities were found in some teachers' schedules for increased time with students.

Students will be grouped within the villages and may see different teachers throughout the day. This will ensure that the students are instructed at their appropriate level. We are looking forward to seeing the growth that all students will make this year.

Sincerely,
Kathy Niemi/ Principal
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