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Dear Fourth Grade Families:

We have received 100 volunteers for the Fifth Grade Pilot Program. Today we held our selection lottery and drew names of 75 students (including 21 Machon students) who have right of first refusal for the program as well as 25 students whose names were placed on a wait list. As a result of the overwhelming interest in the Pilot Program, my Leadership Team has decided to add a fourth class to the Fifth Grade Pilot Program.

Adding a fourth classroom will enable us to more effectively address class size issues that have emerged within the redistricting process. By moving four fifth grade classrooms to the Middle School we will be able to more effectively equalize the numbers of students at the elementary level.


Therefore, all 100 students who have volunteered are eligible for acceptance in the Pilot Program. This means there is no Wait List – all 100 students are accepted.

It is anticipated that not all 100 volunteers will accept their placement into the Pilot Program. As a result, I will be accepting names of any current fourth grade students who want to be on a new wait list.

If you are interested in being placed on this new wait list, please notify me by email (malone@swampscott.k12.ma.us) or by letter, by **May 15**. In addition all families who will accept the placement unconditionally must notify me (again e-mail or letter) by **May 15**. **This decision is irrevocable.**

Thank you for your attention and your support. The Pilot Program will be an exciting volunteer opportunity. Regardless of placement, the fifth grade experience in the Swampscott Public Schools will be a rigorous academic endeavor that is cognitively and developmentally appropriate.

Cordially,


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