

October, 2014

Dear Parent(s),

At Patton School, one of the services we offer is a group experience for children whose families are currently in transition. These transitions may include separation, divorce, remarriage, or stepfamily situations. **Please disregard this note if it does not apply to your child and family.**

The groups will begin in the coming weeks, meeting once a week for approximately eight to ten sessions. Each session will last about half an hour. We will be working with classroom teachers in order to determine the best time to excuse your child from class.

In the past, these group meetings have been helpful to children by providing them with a safe place to exchange feelings and experiences with peers in similar family situations. That way, group members can give each other support, suggestions, and encouragement.

If your child(ren) are interested in this group, please sign and return the form below next week. The school office or your child's teacher will forward the signed permission slips to me. If you have any questions or you would like to discuss the group further, please feel free to contact me (847) 398-4288.

I look forward to working with your child.
Thank you,

Barb Donahue, LCSW
bdonahue@sd25.org
School Social Worker

PLEASE RETURN THIS PORTION TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17th.

TO: Mrs. Donahue – Group permission form.

Child's name _____ Grade/Teacher _____

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Parent Signature _____ Date _____

A phone number or email _____

TEACHERS: Please send this to the office or put in one of our mailboxes.