**Your Fraser Elementary School Writing Prompt**

**A new student will be attending your elementary school. Think about what would be important for the student to know about the school before attending. You are to provide information on some part of the school or school day that will help the student have a successful experience.**

Your writing is to be “informational.”

Think about your school and the school day. What information would help a new student coming to your school? You decide **which** of these would be most helpful to the new student. Select **one** area and provide the information in your writing:

* The physical structure of the school
* The organization of the school day
* What is special about your school
* The activities, clubs, sports, and/or programs in your school
* What will he/she will learn in your school
* The people in the school he/she will meet: teachers, principal, volunteers, parents, bus drivers, cafeteria workers, and others who help make the school work.

Or

* Any other information that would be helpful

**Directions to teachers:**

After the students are clear about the prompt and are reminded that it is an informational piece of writing, give the students 30 minutes to write to the prompt.

Note: (do not do class brainstorming or group prewriting activities) When students are given possible responses, their voices are basically marginalized or silenced.  We need to hear the students’ voices and their ideas.

**Please make sure students put their first and last name on the papers.**

**Please include your name and grade level as well.**