## Name Selection for Middle School EE

As per School Board policy, the school-naming committee members met and reviewed all names offered. After eliminating the suggestions that didn't meet the required criteria, the committee narrowed the selection to four possible names: Woodland, Cedar Grove, Cypress Falls, and Ocean Palms.

Fifteen of the eighteen committee members were present at the meeting and by closed-ballot voted for their first and second choice preferences. Results of the vote are below:

First Choice:	Woodland Middle School	10
	Cedar Grove Middle School	3
	Ocean Palms Middle School	2
	Cypress Falls Middle School	0
Second Choice:	Woodland Middle School	2
	Cedar Grove Middle School	4
	Cypress Falls Middle School	5
	Ocean Palms Middle School	1

As such, the committee recommendations for naming Middle School "EE" are:

First Choice: Woodland Middle School

Second Choice: Cedar Grove Middle School

The committee revealed the following information:

Three of the four selections are either the single housing additions or entire community. Woodlands, the entire community where the school is located, Cedar Grove and Cypress Falls are the individual housing additions.

The committee felt Woodland makes the best choice because it encompasses the entire community. Woodland represents Florida's natural surroundings including many wooded and wetland areas which provide the boundaries for the school. The committee recommends Middle School "EE" be named **Woodland Middle School.** 

## **Committee Members**

Kristine Lawrence, Middle "EE", Principal Ted Watson, Heron Creek Middle School, Teacher & SAC Co-Chair Shannon Ruck, Heron Creek Middle School, Teacher Nancy Cope, Heron Creek Middle School, Media Specialist Eric Idoyaga, Heron Creek Middle School, Teacher Marijane Farr, Heron Creek Middle School, Parent Bernice Toscano, Heron Creek Middle School, Parent Samantha Toscano, Heron Creek Middle School, Student Anthony Toscano, Heron Creek Middle School, Student Allison Stewart, Toledo Blade Elementary School, Assistant Principal Eric Eckberg, Toledo Blade Elementary School, Teacher Gayle Eckberg, Toledo Blade Elementary School, Teacher Kam Camara, Toledo Blade Elementary School, Teacher Cheryl Stone, Toledo Blade Elementary School, Parent Susan Speiser, Toledo Blade Elementary School, Parent Dottie Miller, Toledo Blade Elementary School, Grandparent Ben Lima, Toledo Blade Elementary School, Student Ashlee Speiser, Toledo Blade Elementary School, Student

## Names suggested for the new Middle School EE

<u>Name</u>	Rationale	
Betsy Ross Middle School	First Lady of our Country	
Calusa Middle School	Indians who settled in Florida	
Hoffman Middle School	For their commitment to the North Port Community for years	
Mary Watts Middle School	In honor of Mary Watts and her husband who Dedicated so much to education in Sarasota County	
Watts Middle School		
Lakeside Middle School	Development near Middle School EE on Toledo Blade	
Lakeside Plantation Middle School		
Lakeside Preserve Middle School		
Woodland Middle School	Community encompassing Middle School EE	
Snover Middle School Snover Waters Snover Lakes	Waterway near the middle school	
Johnny Zagobelny	Owner of Old World Restaurant in North Port who donated and supported every organization in town	
North Port Middle School	None of the schools have the city name in them Except for the high school	
Cedar Grove Middle School	Single Family Home Housing development in the	
Woodlands	Community	
R.E.F. Mackle Middle School	R for Robert, E for Elliot, and F for Frank Jr. for the founders of North Port Charlotte who's dream was to build a new city	
Dr. Gene Pillot Middle School	Long history as an educator, Superintendent, City Commissioner, Mayor of Sarasota, Board Member of Sarasota Military, Academy	

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Panacea Middle School

Margaret Gentle Middle School

Pelican Cove Middle School

Ocean Palms Middle School

Street name school is located on

Former Mayor of North Port

Ocean Palms Middle School

Alligator Alley Middle School

Pine Trail Middle School

Coyote Canyon Middle School

Toledo Cove Middle School

Pirate Cove Middle School

Cedar Falls Middle School Combination of the two developments in the Woodlands Community

Cypress Groves Middle School Combination of the two developments in the Woodlands Community

Forest Hills Middle School

Ivy Gove Middle School

Cypress Falls Middle School Development in the Woodlands, a 55+ Community