



Springlake-Earth Elementary/Jr. High campus has begun several new programs, since becoming an ACE campus this year, one of which consist of dividing faculty, staff and students into “houses”. The house system was originally developed and implemented by the Ron Clark Academy, inspiring to build character, relationships, and school spirit amongst its student body. Students can earn points for their team by a variety of means, such as, excellent work/work ethic, showing great character, being a leader, helping a peer in need, helping out their community, appointment to a leadership position in a club/group, making the “A” or “A/B” honor roll, displaying school spirit, etc. As well as earning the points, each Friday one student from each house gets to “spin the wheel” for bonus points. These points are tallied weekly and announced over the PA system and also displayed in the hallways for all house members to see. At the end of the year, the team with the most points will win a big surprise!

On the first day of school all staff and students met on the courts and had students “spin the wheel” to see which house they would become a member of. Each house consists of nine faculty members and approximately 30 students, grades 1-7. We come together with our house two to three times a month; since our first meeting took place in late August, we have developed unique house chants, played games, taught our students the school song, developed traditions for our campus and fellow peers that our house will perform for years to come, and chosen ways we can beautify our campus and communities - more is yet to come! We always come together after our individual house meetings as one big Wolverine family to have friendly competitions, during which our house can earn points by winning competitions and/or games.



# House of Givers



This house represents a balance between bold strength and altruistic giving, knowing that true power comes from not only looking out for yourself but from empowering others. Members of this house are encouraged to get involved in our schools activities and to develop leadership skills that they can use and that they can help instill in their peers.



# House of Friendship



This house is known for their kindness of heart and what they can do with this kindness to help lift up and encourage others. Students in this group are also encouraged to find their true selves throughout their journey with their house leaders and peers.



# House of Courage



This house is designed to teach students how to be strategic and creative. As well, it teaches them the discipline of knowing when to pull back and be reserved, but also when to go full force with power and strength. Knowing and exercising these at the appropriate time takes courage.



# House of Dreamers



This house helps students to identify their goals and dreams and then encouraging and teaching them how to overcome obstacles and setback, letting nothing stand in the way of achieving their dreams. They are taught that one of the most determining factors of achieving their dreams is the size of their heart and effort.