

I've taught fifth or sixth grade my whole career. I'd been at Norwood Creek less than a decade when my principal announced during a spring faculty meeting I would make the perfect first grade teacher, and she was moving me the following year. I immediately left because I knew I might express exactly how I was feeling at that moment and didn't want to be accused of insubordination.

Our contract states, "Personnel involved in an intra-school reassignment have the right of appeal to the Superintendent."

Since her announcement was made after the transfer process had been completed, my principal was forced to recind her arbitrary and capricious decision. I was able to stay where I knew I belonged - a fifth grade classroom and a union where my rights are protected, the Evergreen Teachers Association.

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