

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
FORT MYERS DIVISION

PRESTON TOWNS, an individual and  
on behalf of all similarly situated  
individuals

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No: 2:16-cv-412-FtM-38MRM

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF LEE  
COUNTY, FLORIDA,

Defendant.

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**OPINION AND ORDER**<sup>1</sup>

This matter comes before the Court on a status conference held on December 17, 2018. About a month before the original discovery deadline, the parties negotiated a tentative settlement agreement, and the Court administratively closed the case. (Doc. 69). But a condition precedent did not occur, the settlement was not completed, and the Court reopened the case. ([Doc. 77](#)). The parties now agree to complete discovery, then participate in a settlement conference before a magistrate judge.

Accordingly, it is now

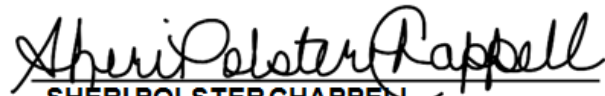
**ORDERED:**

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1. The discovery deadline initially set in the Case Management and Scheduling Order ([Doc. 30](#)) is revived and extended to January 18, 2019.
2. This case is referred to Magistrate Judge Carol Mirando for a settlement conference to be held after January 18, 2019. The parties are to contact Judge Mirando to set a time convenient to her calendar.

**DONE** and **ORDERED** in Fort Myers, Florida this 17th day of December, 2018.

  
SHERI POLSTER CHAPPELL  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies: All Parties of Record  
Hon. Carol Mirando