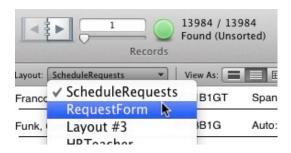
## Sorting Schedule Request Letters in FileMaker Pro

## Step 1 - Filtering the Records

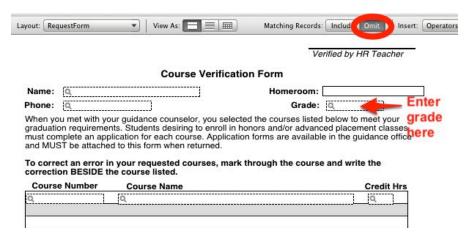
 In the Layout dropdown list at the top of the FileMaker Pro window, change the layout from ScheduleRequests to RequestsForm. This will group the requests by the appropriate student and is formatted as a letter to the student.



- 2. Omit the letters for rising 9<sup>th</sup> graders to prevent printing blank pages by doing the following:
  - a. Click the **Find** icon on the Standard Toolbar.



b. On the Find form, Click **Omit** and enter "8" in the **Grade** field. Press **Return** to exclude the records of the eighth graders. NOTE: This filters the data and does not delete the records.



You will see the total included records and the overall total records reflected at the top of the window confirming that you have successfully omitted the desired records.

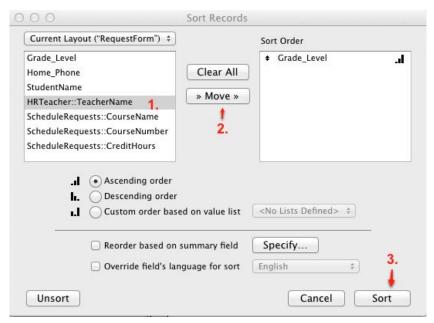


## Step 2 - Sorting the Letters by Grade Level and Homeroom

On the Standard Toolbar, click the Sort Icon.



On the Sort dialog box complete the following steps:



- 1. Select the **Grade\_Level** field in the list on the left by clicking it once.
- 2. Click the **Move** button to include it in the **Sort Order** list on the right. Repeat with **HRTeacher** and **StudentName**.
- 3. Click Sort.

The letters are now sorted alphabetically by grade level and homeroom teacher and ready to be printed. Use the record slider to move to the first records quickly.



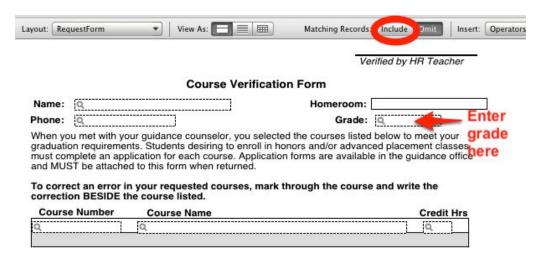
## **Separate Files for Each Grade Level**

To create a separate file for each grade level, begin by selecting the records for a specific grade level.

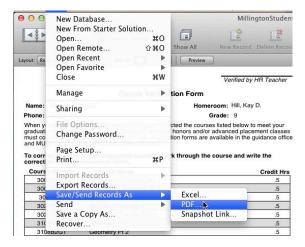
NOTE: Always select All Records before beginning this step by clicking **Show All** on the Standard Toolbar.



1. Use the Find feature to filter the desired grade level.



- a. Click Include next to Matching Records.
- b. Enter the desired grade level and press Return.
- 2. When the desired grade level is filtered, on the menu bar click **File > Save/Send Records As > PDF** to save the filtered letters. This will create a PDF file that can be shared with others in your school.



3. Repeat these steps to create a PDF file for each grade level.