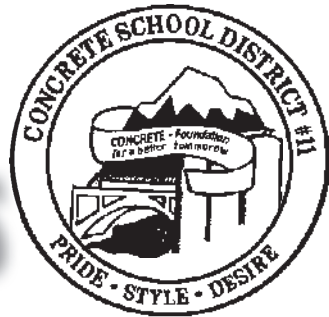




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News from Concrete Schools

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Superintendent's Message

By Wayne Barrett, Superintendent

I am honored to serve the Concrete School District and community as Superintendent of Schools and look forward to furthering the outstanding work that has been done in the district. My wife, Amy, and I are excited to begin working with the various community organizations that support the families and youth of Concrete.

My belief and passion is in creating high quality learning opportunities that afford all students a vision for their future. Our duty is to ensure every student will attain the skills necessary to achieve their dreams of a meaningful and bright future. In order to accomplish this critical work we must build trusting partnerships with our community organizations, families, and staff around one common goal: Graduation on time with a skill set that prepares our students for an ever-changing economy. We will accomplish our goal one student at a time with caring staff who recognize that every student's needs are different, requiring instruction tailored to maximize student potential.

Our focus in Concrete will be to ensure all students reach their potential through building quality programs, setting high standards and holding each other accountable for the success of each student. Every individual involved in our system plays an integral role in the development of our students. From the bus drivers who greet them every morning and night to the individuals who support and nurture them in our schools, there must be a common purpose.

I am excited about our potential and look forward to achieving the goals set forth by the board and our community.



New superintendent, Wayne Barrett, being sworn in by outgoing superintendent, Barbara Hawkings, at the June 22nd school board meeting.

NEWS FROM: CONCRETE HIGH SCHOOL

Dear Concrete High School Students and Families:

I hope everyone had an enjoyable summer and is looking forward to a great year! We welcome the incoming 7th grade to the high school campus.

Our 7-period school day starts at 7:55 AM and ends at 2:45 PM. Throughout the school year, there will be 10 late starts (always on Wednesdays); those days will begin at 9:45 AM and end at the normal time. Our early release days (there are 7 of those) start at the normal time, but will end at 12:00 PM.

Here are some important dates that will be coming up soon:

Date	Event	Grades	Time
Thurs. Aug 17	High School Office Opens after being Closed for the Summer		7:30 AM - 3:00 PM
Tues. Aug 22	9th-12th Grades Pick-up Schedules, Get Lockers and Pay Student Fees – H.S. Commons (\$30 ASB & \$30 Activity Fee)	Seniors Juniors Sophomores Freshmen	9:00 AM - 9:30 AM 9:30 AM - 10:00 AM 10:00 AM - 10:30 AM 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM
	Freshmen Orientation for 9th Grade Students and Parents – H.S. Commons		11:00 AM - 11:30 AM
	7th-8th Grades Pick-up Schedules, Get Lockers, and Pay Students Fees – H.S. Commons (\$30 ASB & \$30 Activity Fee)	8th Grade 7th Grade	1:00 PM - 1:30 PM 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM
	7th Grade Orientation for Students and Parents – H.S. Commons		2:00 - 2:30 pm
	First Day of School		7:55 AM - 2:45 PM

Please come in on the date and time designated in the chart above for your grade level to pick up your class schedule (or register for classes if you are new), get lockers, and pay student fees.

Parents: We welcome the support of parent volunteers in the classroom, for class activities, dances, fundraisers, concession stands, and so on. You are needed and greatly appreciated!

Students: Get involved in student government (the ASB), in sports, and in other student activities/clubs. Now is the time to prepare for the future. Please get ready to **do your best** in all your classes and learn all that you can. Make it a great year!

NEWS FROM: CONCRETE ELEMENTARY

By Jaci Gallagher, Concrete Elementary Principal

Welcome to the 2017-18 school year at Concrete Elementary. I am very excited for my 2nd year as the Elementary Principal. We hold high expectations for staff members and students at Concrete Elementary because we know that when we expect more we will get more. We want our children to learn in a safe, nurturing environment so that they are allowed to grow into knowledgeable and caring adults. Also, be on the lookout for many new faces around the building because we have four new teachers at the elementary. The incredible staff has already welcomed our new teachers and collaboration has begun. This truly shows the dedication and commitment our staff has for our students.

School starts on **August 30th** this year and our school hours are **8:00-2:30**. When buses arrive at approximately 7:35, we serve breakfast in our cafeteria for students choosing to eat and also have supervision on the playground. The bell rings at 7:55 and students need to head to class at that time.

Our school will continue to promote excellent attendance. Being present at school is important because much of what we do is project-based, hands-on, collaborative, technology-based, and fun. This promotes cognitive, social, physical, emotional, and expressive learning. Being at school for core instruction, routines, and procedures is critical for students to meet their grade level goals. Please help us by ensuring that your child only misses school when he/she is sick.

Kindergarten interviews will take place August 30th through September 1st with the kindergarten classes beginning on Tuesday, September 5th. If you have not completed your registration for kindergarten, please come in as soon as possible so we can schedule an interview time.

The elementary Open House will be **September 27th** from **5:30 to 7:00** pm. This is a fun evening to meet your child's teacher and see what has happened in the first few weeks of school.

Again this year, we will continue our focus on character traits and student recognition. We are changing the way we emphasize the character traits and recognize our wonderful students. We will send more information after the school year is underway. If you have any questions, you can go to our website at www.concrete.k12.wa.us or contact the elementary office at 360-853-4110.

I look forward to working with you to make this an incredible school year.

reminder

The first day of school is on **Wednesday, August 30th** for 1st-12th grade students.

Kindergarten students' first day of school is on **Tuesday, September 5th!**

Concrete School District

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ELEMENTARY
ACADEMIC
PLAQUE AWARDS



Top Row: Most Improved-Anthony Culver; Music Award-Morgan Rowe; Music Award-Owen Aamot; Inspirational Leader-Audrey Ottow; Attendance Award-Ally Mitchell; Academic Award Ethan Bounds.

Front Row: Academic Award-Vanessa Aiken; Most Improved-Melinda Scheer; Inspirational Leader-Madisen Norgord; Attendance Award-Kimberley Middlemist; Attendance Award-Lilly Landweer. Not Pictured: Vincent Preis-Academic Award.



NEWS FROM:
AROUND
THE
DISTRICT ...

2nd Semester Honor Roll for
CONCRETE HIGH SCHOOL

3.20-4.00 G.P.A. – *=4.0

7th GRADE

Charlie Bartel, Briar Cain, Corbin Coggins, Kylie Driver, Georgia Gregush, Jasmyne Hansen, Carlen Herz, Christian Joens*, Ashley Parker, and Anja Roozen*.

8th GRADE

Kylie Clark, Brandon Downing, Collin Martin*, Leona Martinez, Autumn Neece, Hunter Olmstead, Rebekah Rider, Kassidy Smith, and Lily Whitford.

9th GRADE

Elizabeth Buchta*, Mariah Casteel, Lexi Denley, John Hansen, Jacquelyn Jackson, Izabela Ramos, Troy Schmidt, and Devin Wilbur-Blankenship.

10th GRADE

Josabet Acevedo-Lara, Jonathan Akers*, Tiana Brookshire, Shanon Clemons*, Tyler Coffell, Faith Daniels, Mellydee Howry, Dalton Newby, Charles Parent*, and Jaidyn Swanson*.

11th GRADE

Carlee Brigham, Chaqula Davis, Riley Fichter, Lee Fleming, Asusena Fregoso, Chace Harris, Hannah Haskett*, Rebeckah McClure, Emily Schmidt*, David Swain, and Tanner Tygret.

12th GRADE

Diane Bergsma, Emily Bridge*, Jordan Chassaniol, Tessa Coffell, Ashlee Gilbert*, Jaycelyn Kuipers, Grayson Luttrell, Tate Mathis*, Riley Pritchard*, Hannah Rensink, and Blaine Storms.

*=4.0 GPA

Great job ALL OF you!



WA Achievement Award

Pictured From left: Kevin Laverty, Acting Chair of the State Board of Education; Leilani Thomas, Executive Director, Concrete School District; Jaci Gallagher, Concrete Elementary Principal; Chris Reykdal, Washington State Superintendent of Public Instruction.

Leilani Thomas and Jaci Gallagher received the 2016 Washington Achievement Award for Concrete Elementary School on May 3, 2017 in Auburn, WA. This award was for closing the achievement gap for students with disabilities. Congratulations!

2017-2018
MEAL PRICES



LUNCH

Reduced	.40 for 4 th -12 th Grades / Free for K – 3 rd grades if state provides funding
Elementary Student PK-6th	2.70
High School Student 7 th -12 th	2.90
Adult	3.60

BREAKFAST

Reduced (If student qualifies for free and reduced meals then breakfast is free if state provides funding)	
Elementary Student	1.50
High School Student 7 th -12 th	1.50
Adult	2.25

MILK (for all)	.60
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IMPORTANT NOTE: Regular lunch prices for all PK-12 students have increased \$0.05 from last year's prices. Also, due to a State Auditor's Office directive, there will be absolutely **NO CHARGING MEALS**. Funds must be available for all purchases.

FREE/REDUCED MEAL APPLICATION: If you would like an application for free or reduced meals, please pick one up at your child's school, the district office, or you may go to our website at www.concrete.k12.wa.us then click on the "parents" tab, click on cafeteria menus then click on the link for free/reduced application. If you qualify as direct cert you do not need to fill out an application.

WE SAY FAREWELL ...



Barbara Hawkings – Superintendent

Barb retired in June with over 36 years of service in the Concrete School District. She will be spending more time with family and her beautiful grandchildren. Thank you for all of your years of service, Barb. You will be missed!



Dot Rohman – Bus & Playground Monitor

Dot has retired after 16 years of service in the Concrete School District. Her retirement plans include traveling by train to North Carolina to see family, hiking, and gardening. You will be missed!



William Ashe – 5th/6th Grade Teacher

William resigned in May after 2 years of service in the Concrete School District. William is pursuing other opportunities. Thank you for your service, William!



Crissie Wilson, School Board Chair

Crissie Wilson, District #1 school board member and board chairman, resigned effective June 30, 2017 after 7 1/2 years on the school board. She will be relocating to North Dakota with her family. Thank you for your dedicated service to the Concrete School District, Crissie. You will be missed!



Corintha Taylor – High School Special Education Teacher

Corintha resigned in June to take a teaching position in the Sedro Woolley School District. Corintha had 3 years of service in the Concrete School District. Thank you for your service, Corintha!



Jennifer Rungo-Senn – Kindergarten Teacher

Jennifer resigned in June after 1 year of service in the Concrete School District. Jennifer's husband received a job offer in California so they will be relocating. Thank you for your service, Jennifer. You will be missed!



Katie Roche – Paraeducator

Katie resigned in June after 3 years of service in the Concrete School District. Katie and her family will be relocating to Leavenworth to be near family. Thank you for your service, Katie. You will be missed!

You will be missed!

NEW STAFF



Wayne Barrett – Superintendent

I am honored to join the Concrete staff and community as the new superintendent. This is my twenty-fourth year in education in Washington State, with my beginning years being in Montana.

My wife, Amy, and I have had an interesting transition, but have now settled in quite well. Together we have four children, nine grandchildren, a great lab, and a cat. We are in the beginning stages of building our new home and look forward to meeting everyone within the Concrete community. I am an avid hunter and fisherman, and I am excited to experience all this area has to offer in outdoor activities.

My first month has been very busy preparing for the upcoming school year and meeting with all the different groups. I will be collaborating with the Board in developing programs and educational opportunities that will prepare Concrete graduates for their future endeavors. I look forward to working together with you on behalf of our students.



Rebecca Wilson – 3rd Grade Teacher

I am happy to be joining Concrete School District. I earned my teaching degree at Concordia University in Portland, OR, which I have called home for the past 13 years (I have also lived in Salt Lake City and St. Louis). I have done some substitute teaching and worked at several schools in the Portland metro area. My favorite part of working with kids is witnessing their excitement when they have mastered a new skill and how it builds their confidence to try more things. My hobbies include dabbling in crafts (recently knitting and beading) and interior house painting. I am looking forward to doing some hiking. Mountains feel like home and I am excited to be a part of the Skagit Valley and Concrete communities.



Nick Ulecka – 4th Grade Teacher

My name is Nick Ulecka and I will be the new fourth grade teacher at Concrete Elementary. I was born and raised in central New Jersey, which is where I went to Rutgers University, and where most of my extended family still lives. I still get cravings time to time for New Jersey pizza, which if you ask anyone from New Jersey, is the best pizza in the world. My wife, Elis, will also be moving with me to Concrete. She is originally from the gigantic city of Sao Paulo in Brazil. I lived with her for some time in Brazil, both in Sao Paulo and a smaller city on the outskirts, where I taught English. When we moved back to the United States, we settled upon the tiny town of Trout Creek, Montana, where I taught a combined seventh and eighth grade class for the past two years. I love traveling whenever possible and learning about new cultures. I've done a lot of traveling, including participating in a study abroad in Kenya and volunteering to teach English in Thailand. I also enjoy running and hiking, which makes living in Concrete a dream come true. My wife and I visited the area on vacation a year ago, and we absolutely fell in love with it. I believe that I am a curious person, and enjoy helping people any way that I can. My wife and I are looking forward to our new home in Concrete.



Annette Lind – 5th Grade Teacher

I always wanted to be a teacher since I was a young child. I started college a couple years after graduating from Lakewood High School. I completed my AAS and planned to take only a year off to get my children better established in school, but that year turned into 13 years. I have two adult children, Jen and Dan. While my two children were growing up in a single-parent household, I worked as a paraeducator in public schools, a preschool teacher, a workshop instructor for other preschool teachers, and a volunteer for Camp Fire.

After my youngest graduated from high school, I started college again. I received my BA in Special Education and Elementary Education from Western Governors University (WGU) in June 2013. I worked as a substitute teacher for four school districts while completing my MS in Curriculum and Instruction from WGU. After graduating in December 2016, I was offered the teaching position for 5th grade at Concrete Elementary.

I enjoy reading, working in my flower and vegetable gardens, and playing with my dogs, Tiger Lily (5-year-old Boston Terrier) and Charlie (2 1/2 year-old Chocolate Lab). My husband, John, and I are very excited about joining the Concrete Community.



Jennifer Henderson – Kindergarten Teacher

My name is Jennifer Henderson. My husband and I moved to the Mount Vernon area 3 years ago from Reno, Nevada and absolutely love it! After spending a year-and-a-half as a sign language interpreter in the Sedro Woolley School District, I finally finished my Bachelor's in elementary education with an endorsement in early childhood education. I am so excited to begin my career teaching kindergarten at Concrete Elementary!

Welcome to all of you!

The 2017 FBLA State Leadership Conference



The 2017 FBLA State Leadership Conference was held in Spokane April 19-22. Twelve members from our local chapter made the trip to compete in the following events:

This was the largest FBLA group to qualify for the state conference in the past five years, and all these students will be back next year.

Business Plan:	Michael Booker	(Sophomore)
	Erica Knuth	(Junior)
	Troy Schmidt	(Sophomore)
Community Service Project:	Charles Parent	(Sophomore)
	Nora Towner	(Sophomore)
Computer Problem Solving:	John Hansen	(Freshman)
Emerging Business Issues:	Emily Schmidt	(Junior)
	Mary Spangler	(Junior)
	Nora Towner	(Junior)
Intro to Business:	Thalen Cambo	(Sophomore)
	Nora Towner	(Sophomore)
Intro to Information Tech:	William Baird	(Freshman)
Introduction to Fin. Math:	Ebby Buchta	(Freshman)
Introduction to Parlia. Pro.:	Samantha Mitchell	(Freshman)

FBLA did a great job of placing the community interests first with their group projects. The Business Plan Team worked directly with the new Executive Director of the North Cascades Vintage Aircraft museum, Julie Hubner. The Community Service Project worked directly with Em Beals of 5 B's Bakery to support a flyer for the Map Your Neighborhood Project for the upriver areas east of Birdview. This was the largest FBLA group to qualify for the state conference in the past five years, and all these students will be back next year. Great job everyone!

PRIDE • STYLE • DESIRE
CONCRETE SCHOOL DISTRICT #11



From left: Jaci Gallagher and Paul Bianchini. Paul was honored at the April 27th board meeting for organizing Health and Fitness Night at Concrete Elementary School.



Congratulations, Josiah Rider, on achieving 100 miles in the 100-Mile Club! Way to go!

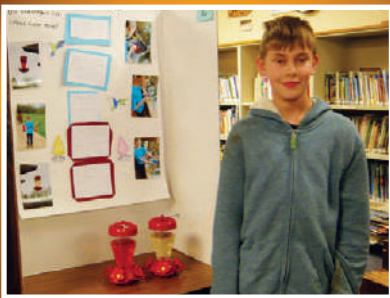


ELEMENTARY CROSSING GUARDS

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Science Fair!

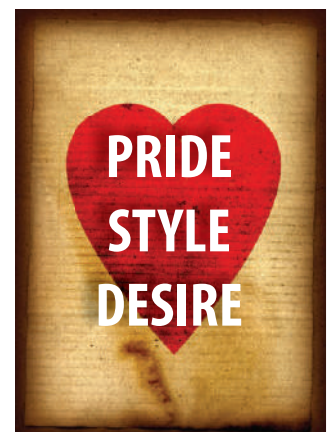
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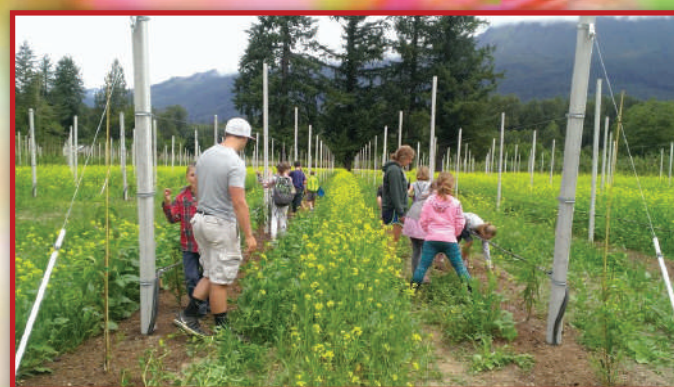
**GREAT
JOB
EVERYONE!**

Mr. B's Class Riding Bikes

June 5, 2017



Summer Learning Adventure



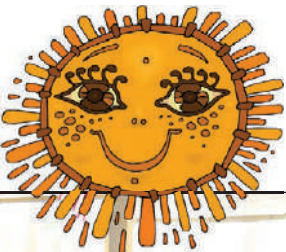
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Prom Royalty

Jaycelyn Kuipers,
Taylor Chassaniol,
Jordan Chassaniol, King,
Emily Bridge, Queen,
Sidney Hockett,
Soloman Holman



SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM



FINALE CONCERT!

May 31, 2017



Photos courtesy of Concrete Herald



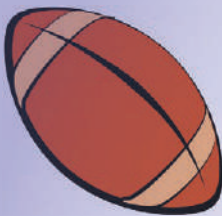
“Water fight! End of the year fun.”



CHS FALL 2017 SPORTS SCHEDULES

VARSITY FOOTBALL

Day	Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Friday	September 1, 2017	Life Christian Academy	Concrete High School	7:00pm
Friday	September 8, 2017	Friday Harbor	Concrete High School	7:00pm
Friday	September 15, 2017	Vashon Island	Vashon Island High School	7:00pm
Friday	September 22, 2017	Darrington	Concrete High School	7:00pm
Friday	September 29, 2017	La Conner	La Conner High School	7:00pm
Saturday	October 7, 2017	Lummi Nation	Concrete High School	2:00pm
Friday	October 13, 2017	Friday Harbor	Friday Harbor High School	7:00pm
Friday	October 20, 2017	South Whidbey	South Whidbey High School	7:00pm
Friday	October 27, 2017	Darrington	Darrington High School	7:00pm
Friday	November 3, 2017	La Conner	Concrete High School	7:00pm



VARSITY VOLLEYBALL

Day	Date	Opponent	Place	Time
Monday	September 11, 2017	Vashon Island	Vashon Island High School	5:45pm
Tuesday	September 12, 2017	Bush	Bush	6:00pm
Saturday	September 16, 2017	Mount Rainier Lutheran	Concrete High School	5:00pm
Thursday	September 21, 2017	La Conner	La Conner High School	6:30pm
Wednesday	September 27, 2017	Friday Harbor	Friday Harbor High School	6:30pm
Thursday	September 28, 2017	Orcas Island	Concrete High School	6:30pm
Saturday	September 30, 2017	Seattle Academy	Concrete High School	6:00pm
Wednesday	October 4, 2017	Mount Vernon Christian	Mount Vernon Christian School	6:30pm
Thursday	October 5, 2017	Darrington	Concrete High School	6:30pm
Saturday	October 7, 2017	Lopez	Concrete High School	TBD
Monday	October 9, 2017	Vashon Island	Concrete High School	TBD
Tuesday	October 10, 2017	La Conner	Concrete High School	6:30pm
Thursday	October 12, 2017	Friday Harbor	Concrete High School	6:30pm
Tuesday	October 17, 2017	Orcas Island	Orcas Island High School	6:30pm
Thursday	October 19, 2017	Mount Vernon Christian	Concrete High School	6:30pm
Tuesday	October 24, 2017	Darrington	Darrington High School	6:30pm



Games listed are league games. Additional games may be added at a later date.
*All schedules are subject to change. You may check following link for updates:
<http://www.nw1a2bathletics.com>. Click on Concrete and then view drop down menu for each specific sport.

Aug: All Staff Welcome Back
Aug: Teacher Training Days
Aug 30: First Day of School
Sept 4: Labor Day No School
Sep 20: 2 Hr Late Start PD
Oct 18: 2 Hr Late Start PD
Oct 30-Nov 3: **Conferences ½ Days**
Nov 1: **End of 1st Quarter**
Nov 8: 2 Hr. Late Start PD
Nov 10: Veterans Day
Nov 22-24: Thanksgiving Break
Dec 6: 2 Hr Late Start PD
Dec 20-Jan 2: Winter Break
Jan 15: Martin Luther King Day
Jan 17: 2 Hr Late Start PD
Jan 26: **End of 1st Semester/Grading/Conferencing ½ Day**
Feb 7: 2 Hr Late Start PD
Feb 16: Snow Make Up Day
Feb 19: Presidents' Day
Feb 28: 2 Hr Late Start PD
Mar 21: 2 Hr. Late Start PD
Mar 30: **End of 3rd Quarter/Grading/Conferencing ½ Day**
Apr 2-Apr 6: Spring Break
April 18: 2 Hr Late Start PD
May 2: 2 Hr Late Start PD
May 25: Snow Make-up Day
May 28: Memorial Day
June 8: Graduation
Jun 12: Last School Day Excused 10:00/End of 2nd Semester

- Board Workshops and Meetings
- Start/End of School Year
- 2 Hour Late Starts
- End of Quarter/Semester
- No School, No Staff
- No School, No Teachers/Students

CONCRETE SCHOOL DISTRICT

2017-2018 School Calendar



August 2017	September 2017	October 2017	November 2017
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Board Adopted: February 23, 2017 - 00 – Days Of School In Month

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without spaces and all lower case.



OUR DISTRICT'S NEW TIP
REPORTING SERVICE

Safety is one of our district's top priorities, that's why we're now using SafeSchools Alert, a tip reporting system that allows students, staff, and parents to submit safety concerns to our administration four different ways:

1. **Phone:** 360-419-6971
2. **Text:** Text your tip to 360.419.6971
3. **Email:** 1502@alert1.us
4. **Web:** http://1502.alert1.us

Easily report tips on bullying, harassment, drugs, vandalism or any safety issue you're concerned about. You can submit a tip anonymously online or by telephone. Thanks in advance for helping to make our school community a safer place to work and learn! We appreciate your support.

HOMELESS –MCKINNEY-VENTO

The McKinney-Vento Homeless Education Assistance Act is a federal law that ensures immediate enrollment and educational stability for homeless children and youth. Sally Straathof is the homeless liaison for the Concrete School District. You may contact her at Concrete High School at (360) 853-4015 or sstraathof@concrete.k12.wa.us if you have any questions.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

CHILD FIND

Child Find is a continuous process of public awareness activities, screening and evaluation designed to locate, identify and refer as early as possible all young children with disabilities and/or children who meet the McKinney-Vento definition of homeless. If you know of a child who lives within the Concrete School District who is newly born to five years old and who might need special education services, or children who might be homeless, please contact Leilani Thomas, Special Services Director at 360-853-4008.

FAMILY INVOLVEMENT POLICY 4129

It is the policy of the Concrete Board of Directors to encourage and support family involvement in education at home, in our schools and communities, and in school governance. The board recognizes the diversity of family structures, circumstances, and cultural backgrounds and respects families as important decision makers for their children's education. The Board is committed to the creation and implementation of culturally inclusive and effective school-family partnerships throughout the school district and in each school, and believes these partnerships to be critical to the success of every student. The district's family involvement efforts will be comprehensive and coordinated.

The board recognizes that family involvement in education has a positive effect on student achievement and is an important strategy in reducing achievement gaps. The intent of this policy is to create and maintain a district-wide climate conducive to the involvement of families and to develop and sustain partnerships that support student learning and positive child and youth development in all schools.

The board is committed to professional development opportunities for staff and leadership to enhance understanding of effective family involvement strategies. The board also recognizes the importance of administrative leadership in setting expectations and creating a climate conducive to school-family partnerships.

In support of the implementation of this policy, a copy will be distributed to all schools, school staff, families, teachers and community members. Further, the district will provide support and guidance, to parents and teachers as they plan and implement effective family involvement efforts.

The Concrete Board of Directors supports the development, implementation and regular evaluation of family involvement efforts that includes parents and family members at all grade levels in a variety of roles. The district will use the results of the evaluation to enhance school-family partnerships within the district.

The superintendent will develop procedures to implement this policy.

IMPORTANT MESSAGE TO PARENTS
WHO HOMESCHOOL

A parent who intends to provide their child with home-based instruction in lieu of attendance or enrollment in a public school, approved private school or an extension program of an approved private school must file an annual declaration of intent (RCW 28A.225.010)

This intent must be filed by September 15th or within two weeks of the beginning of any public school quarter, trimester or semester with the superintendent of the public school district within which the parent resides.

The Concrete School District office is located at 45389 Airport Way and is open from 7:30am to 4:00pm.

FAMILY EDUCATIONAL RIGHTS AND
PRIVACY ACT ANNUAL NOTIFICATION

FERPA affords parents and students over 18 years of age ("eligible students") certain rights with respect to the student's education records. These rights include the following:

1. The right to inspect and review the student's education records within 45 days of the day the school receives a request for access. Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The school official will make arrangements for access and notify the parent or eligible student of the time and place where the records may be inspected.
2. The right to request the amendment of the student's education records that the parent or eligible student believes is inaccurate or misleading. Parents or eligible students may ask the school to amend a record that they believe is inaccurate or misleading. They should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the school decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the school will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their right to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.
3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student's education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception, which permits disclosure without consent, is disclosure to school officials with legitimate interests (administrator, instructor, support personnel, law enforcement personnel, or others with legitimate interests). A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibilities.
4. The right to file a complaint with the US Department of Education concerning alleged failures by the school to comply with the requirements of FERPA. The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA is as follows: Family Policy Compliance Office. US Department of Education, 400 Maryland Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20202-4605.

PARENT INVOLVEMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Anyone who would like to volunteer in our schools (classroom, field trips, library, sporting events, etc.) may contact the elementary school, the high school, or the district office for a volunteer application and/or information. You may contact the district office at (360) 853-4000, the elementary school at (360) 853-4110, or the high school at (360) 853-4015. If you would like more information on the parent involvement policy #4130 you may access our website at www.concrete.k12.wa.us then click on school board, 4000 series, then click 4130 policy and 4130PR for the procedure. We appreciate your interest in volunteering!

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