

August 23, 2022



Welcome back!

We are excited to see the students again! We are looking forward to working with the kids, creating new memories, and reviving our McCleary School traditions. The past couple of years have seen changes, modifications, and adjustments as we dealt with the fall out of Covid 19. This year, however, we are looking forward to opening the school up for visitors, volunteers, and activities. We are definitely excited for all of the opportunities that our kids will have this school year!

We are also happy to announce that we have hired a new STEAM Teacher. Bob Kershner joins us with a wealth of experience in education. Additionally, we have our music program back. We are pleased to announce that we hired Damien Pruitt as our new Music Teacher. For students in grades 5th-8th who are interested in band, we will have more information to share in the upcoming days.



Here are some important dates to keep in mind:

August 25th: 6th Grade Parent orientation from 6:00 to 7:00

August 29th: Open House from 5:30 to 7:30; Book Fair starts (the school will be open from 5:00 to 8:00).

September 1st: FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. Please remember to use one of the two drop off lanes. Please refrain from parking in the drop off lanes.

September 5th: No School in honor of Labor Day

September 7th: Preschool Slow Start; Volunteer Training (on Zoom, link to follow) at 6:30

September 8th: Preschool Slow Start

September 12th: First day of MS Fall sports; First day of Preschool

September 15th: Booster Meeting @ 6:00 in the library

September 28th: Picture Day

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A message from the superintendent

Dear McCleary School Community Members,

Bear Festival, National Night Out, and visits in the parking lot are examples of opportunities during the summer I have had to meet various members of the community. Thank you all for the warm welcome and for sharing with me just how special McCleary is. I am excited about continuing to get to know you, connecting with you to help our students, and learning more about the needs of the school community. I am greatly looking forward to a fantastic school year!

Items that may interest you:

- East Grays Harbor Transportation Cooperative is providing transportation for McCleary School District this year which will help us provide consistent, reliable transportation to McCleary students. More information about bus routes and times will be out soon.
- We are in the process of updating our facilities use agreement to enable community groups to use the facilities. We hope to have this ready to go by the second week of September.
- Staff have been getting ready to welcome students back to school. Some examples of this include getting the grounds in shape, registrations filled out, classrooms ready, hallways cleaned, food ordered, curriculum materials ordered, lesson plans created. Everyone's efforts are appreciated!

Take Care,
Susan Zetty, Superintendent
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