



August 22, 2016

Dear Families,

We hope you have enjoyed your summer and that you are looking forward to the 2016-17 school year.

Throughout the summer we have been working hard to hire new personnel, complete facility upgrades, and plan for a successful start to the school year. Please join us in welcoming the following staff members to our team:

Name	Position/Assignment	Location
Cathy Carlson	Preschool	Preschool
Kelsey Parks	Grade 2	Room 3
Stephanie Jackson	Grade 4	Room 8
Tressa Padgett	Grade 6	Room 22
Kimberly Gregg	Grade 6	Room 21
Suzanne Close	Grades 7/8 Math	Room 13
Robin Hensiek	Special Education Grades 4-8	Room 23
Joelin Julmist	Physical Education	Gym
Landon Wynne	Music	Stage
Jeannie Beierle	Assistant Principal/Counselor	Orca Bowl (Main Office)

In addition to planning for the start of the school year, we have been working to prepare for our new inclusive preschool and K-8 music programs as well as enhancing our communication strategies. Starting this year, we will be emailing families a weekly bulletin and posting information on our new Facebook page. If you would like to receive a weekly bulletin, please email us at orcatalk@hoodcanalschool.org.

This year, we have chosen “Champions” as our theme. A champion is someone who excels at their work and strives to reach higher levels of success. All of us can be champions.

If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact us. We appreciate your support and encourage you to attend our Family Night/Open House on September 22nd where you can find out about all the great work happening at our school. **Dates for this and other important events have been included on the back of this letter.**

Sincerely,

Shawn Batstone
Superintendent/Principal

Devon McColley-Hopkins
Director of Special Services

Jeannie Beierle
Assistant Principal/Counselor



Important Dates and Information

When?	What?	Where?	Other Details:
Available Now	Supply Lists	Web site: www.hoodcanal.wednet.edu Office Open 8:00am – 3:00pm M-F Beginning August 22 nd	Thank you Hood Canal Kiwanis Club for your generous school supply donation.
Available Now	2016-17 School Calendar	Web site: www.hoodcanal.wednet.edu	Visit the web site for our school calendar and other important information.
August 24 th	Class Rosters	Hood Canal School	Class rosters will be posted at the front entry of the school at 8:00 am
August 24 th	Bus Routes	Web site: www.hoodcanal.wednet.edu	Questions? Please call the transportation office at 877.5463 x 221 or 545.2003
September 7 th	First day of school grades 1-8	Hood Canal School	School hours are 8:30 am-3:00 pm. Students are welcome to arrive on campus at 8:00 am.
September 7 th - 9 th	Preschool and Kindergarten Conferences	Hood Canal School	Families will be contacted to schedule a conference time.
September 12 th	First day of school Preschool and Kindergarten	Hood Canal School	School hours are 8:30 am-3:00 pm. Students are welcome to arrive on campus at 8:00 am.
September 22 th	Family Night/ Open House for grades preK-8	Hood Canal School	An evening of Family, Food, and Fun open to all students and families. A flyer will be sent home.

