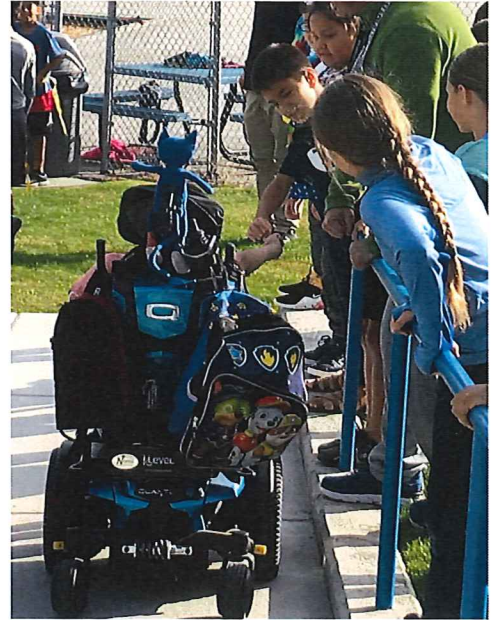


Manson 5th Grade Student Cuts Ribbon on New ADA Access Ramp!

Manson 5th grade student **Didier Chavez** helped officially open a new ADA ramp at Manson Elementary. He was surrounded by his classmates and gave high fives as he drove down the ramp.



The project was funded by a grant from the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction (OSPI) after Eric Sivertson, Operations Director for Manson School District wrote the \$110,000 grant. The project was completed by John Lodwig, Clearwater Construction.



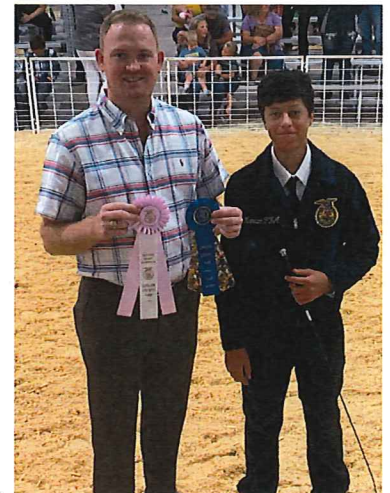
Manson FFA Shows Well at Chelan County Fair!

Earlier this month eleven members of Manson FFA attended the Chelan County Fair. Some of their accomplishments as a group were: 1st in garden judging, with Bryanna Harris placing 1st overall followed by Jude Petersen 2nd, Raeauna Mogan 3rd and Katie Gosvener 4th. The group also took 2nd in poultry judging and 3rd in livestock judging. Manson FFA also earned a 1st place ribbon for barn decorations.

In swine one Reserve Grand Champion, three call back ribbons, seventeen 1st place ribbons, and one 2nd place ribbon. Goats took a Reserve Grand Champion, one call back ribbon, three blue 1st place ribbons, and one red 2nd place ribbon. In art and gardening entries the group received three Grand Champion ribbons, two Reserve Grand Champion ribbons, six 1st place ribbons, and two 2nd place ribbons.

Freshman, Jude Petersen (pictured below) received one Reserve Grand Champion ribbon for swine fitting/showing, two call backs, and two blue ribbons for his market hogs. Jude also received eight blue ribbons; three for woodworking, one for dried fruit, one for knitting, one for metal art, and two for his art work. Sophomores Natalie Solorio received a blue ribbon in fitting and showing, Katie Gosvener a call back and blue ribbons for fitting/showing and market hog. She also received a Reserve Grand Champion for her concord grapes, a 1st place ribbon for metal art, a 1st and 2nd place ribbon for plants, with a 2nd place ribbon for crafts. Lauren Soliday grabbed blue ribbons in fitting/showing and for market hog. Paige Schoenwald received two red ribbons for her market hogs and one blue ribbon for fitting and showing. Juniors- Zane Mericle got a blue ribbon for his market goat and a call back ribbon and blue ribbon for fitting/showing. Gunnar Rasmussen (pictured above) received blue ribbons for market hog and for fitting/showing. He also received a Grand Champion for his metal art. Allison Adame earned a red ribbon for her market hog and a blue ribbon for fitting/showing. Bryanna Harris received a Reserve Grand Champion ribbon for her market goat, and blue ribbons for her market pig and for fitting/showing. She also received a Grand Champion for her painting, two blue ribbons for metal art and artwork, and a blue ribbon for tomatoes. Seniors Bryce LaMar received blue ribbons for his market hog and for fitting/showing. Raeauna Mogan received blue ribbons in market hogs and in fitting/showing. In the arts she received a Reserve Grand Champion along with a blue ribbon.

Submitted by Katie Gosvener-FFA Reporter



Welcome New Certificated Staff!



My name is Ben Riippi and I am honored to be the new Principal at Manson Elementary and Options. My wife Justina and I have two children, Elsa (2nd grade) and Finn (Kindergarten). Before moving to Manson, I was an Assistant Principal for four years and a Special Education teacher for ten years. One of the most important things I have

learned in my career is that leadership and service are the same thing. As I have been transitioning into this position, I have met with each staff member and learned about the strong connection our schools have with the community. I cannot tell you enough, how excited I am to join this highly skilled and caring staff. We look forward to working together to provide another amazing school year for our students. Go Wildcats!



My name is Jim Broome, I am the counselor for Manson Middle/High School. I have lived in the Lake Chelan Valley since 2006 and moved to Manson a year ago with my wife Mey, and three kids Noah, Jessa and Emma. My wife and I have been involved in the Manson School District

for many years as community members, coaches and as parents. We are so excited to finally be living in Manson permanently. Before being hired at Manson, I worked as the school counselor in the Pateros School District, at John Newbery Elementary in Wenatchee and with GEAR UP at Wenatchee High School and Orchard Middle School. My family and I love spending time outside enjoying local parks, swimming, hiking the local trails and enjoying time with our family in the area. We are excited to raise our kids in this great school district and community.

I am Morgan Walker, a Chelan High School alumni with a passion for helping kids and promoting mental health. I received my BA in Psychology from Whitman College and an MS in Counselor Education from Eastern Washington University. This year, I will be joining the team at Manson Elementary as the school counselor. My professional experiences include substitute teaching, tutoring, mentoring, and social service case management. Fun fact, I also used to be a professional dog trainer! When I'm not at work, I enjoy getting outside to soak in the beauty of our valley, reading my overflowing collection of books, and creating art. I also take part in the Valley Winds community band as a trumpet player. I am grateful and excited to be home in this wonderful valley.



“Hello! My name is Craig Saxby, and I am teaching Geometry and Algebra 1 this year. I completed a degree in mathematics and Spanish at Walla Walla University. I taught both subjects at the secondary level in Milton-Freewater, OR, Walla Walla, WA, and Pasco, WA before moving to my current home in Wenatchee, where I have lived for seven years. Outside of school I enjoy skiing, road cycling, and spending time with my cats.”



My name is Sam Lovelace and I am the new 8th and 9th grade SCIENCE teacher for Manson Secondary School! Originally, I received my Conservation Biology degree from Missouri Valley College on a wrestling scholarship, and I have a teaching certificate from the University of Washington. I have subbed and coached wrestling in the Central

Kitsap School District. I love being outdoors and watching The Office. In my free time, I can be found hanging out with my Weimaraner, Moose. I am new to the area and am very excited for my new adventure here at the Manson School District.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sept. 30	School Board Meeting — 6 pm-Elementary
Oct. 11	Staff Development Day— No Schools
Oct 15-18	School Conferences—Early Release @ 11:55
Oct 14-18	NO PRESCHOOL ALL WEEK/CONFERENCES
Oct. 18	Homecoming Game and Dance
Oct. 23	Visitor's Lunch-both buildings

MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT

Welcome/Bienvenidos to the 2019-20 School Year.

Our school district mission is “*Continuous Student Learning.*” This simple but powerful statement captures the belief of our employees, families and community that all kids can and will learn.

Our locally elected school board has adopted Goals for Students which emphasize academic achievement as well as personal and social skill development. Our educators and support staff are striving to meet these goals through an initiative we call Manson Learns. We are creating personalized learning experiences for every student preparing them for success in their post-secondary education/training, career and life.

If you would like more information on our work with students and/or a tour of our schools please give me a call at 509.687.3140.

Matt Charlton, Superintendent