

10 June 2024

Deer Park School District Attn: President, School Board N. 428 Main Deer Park, Washington 99006

Sequence: 2024-008, Homelink Issues/Concerns

Dear School Board President and Directors,

During my campaign I raised multiple concerns regarding Homelink. Since taking office in December, there has been low interest in looking into these issues, even when I repeatedly asked for a special Homelink forum/hearing to bring them to light.

On 11 March, the Homelink Principal, Gretchen Hausman, and her staff presented their annual Homelink highlights, which was fantastic; however, when I brought up a number of Homelink concerns (environment, staff/program funding, equipment, etc.), it was obvious I caught the principal and her staff entirely by surprise. They have my apologies. Although we've all tried to schedule a follow-up Homelink discussion, availability for everyone's attendance during the spring was not possible. I do appreciate the superintendent's offering to assist. I would like to reschedule this Homelink meeting and include the school board president and superintendent for later this summer and before school starts again.

With regards,

Gerald F. Ashby

Deer Park School Board Director, #4