

# #AMPLIFYFUND #BASICEDWA Post Cards

Maintaining a sense of urgency in fulfilling our paramount constitutional duty to amply fund basic education is difficult when it has been neglected for so many years. However, the legislature is in session until April 23, 2017, and so *NOW is the time for every citizen who values a child's civil right to public education to engage in the process of solving our state's paramount problem.*

In 2009, the Legislature adopted HB 2261, which defined "basic education" (further clarified in HB 2776). These bills articulated a "prototypical school model" which has never been funded in accordance with the bills. Let's keep our representatives motivated to *\*finally\** amply fund basic education this session by telling them which programs and services we consider *\*essential\** components of basic education.

Complete a post card by including a drawing, your child's drawing, a fact or facts, and/or anecdotes. Your personal message should answer one of the following:

**What does "basic education" mean to you?**

**Which programs and services should be included in the state's definition of "basic education"?**

**What will it mean for your family once "basic education" is amply funded?**

Take a picture of your post card and share it in a *\*public\** post on social media. Be sure to include the hashtags: **#amplyfund**, **#basicedwa**, **#waleg**, and **#waedu**. Also include your zip code (how legislators identify constituents).

Thank you for advocating for the children in our state who cannot advocate for themselves!