

# New School Model Lauded

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Services help Faubion students and families meet basic needs like medical care and meals.

An early child education center, health clinic, food pantry and maker space to inspire 21st century learning in engineering, math and science are some of the new resources aimed at providing social, educational and wellness services.

The aim is a safer, healthier and more educated community and a pathway to progress for the disadvantaged. The mission begins by helping families obtain prenatal care and progresses to helping children pursue and obtain their educational dreams from pre kindergarten age to college and beyond.

Serving a large population of low income and racially diverse families, Faubion's private and public partnerships are designed to close the opportunity gap and ensure that every child can fulfill their potential. Donations raised during the awards ceremony and from ongoing efforts fund student

scholarships.

Biden, a long time educator who teaches English at a community college in Virginia, praised Portland and the Concordia and Faubion communities for shaping a better future for kids, a vision education advocates at Concordia hope can be replicated across the country.

Biden spoke about the power one person can hold to make life better for others, encouraging families and individuals to seek help when they need it, saying to lean on each other is one of the most courageous things we can do.

She also shared some of her own experiences helping and reaching out to family, friends and colleagues in times of difficulty, including when the Bidens' son Beau, a state Attorney General in Delaware was diagnosed with cancer and eventually lost his life to the disease in 2015.

Our personal strengths alone are often not enough to get you through, she said.

Biden said she relished the hugs and emotional support she has re-



On behalf of the entire Concordia University and Faubion Elementary community, Kimberley Dixon, a Faubion parent and community leader, accepted the Concordia 2018 Gov. Victor Atiyeh Leadership in Education award.

ceived from others, including her students.

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ness are some of the most courageous things we can do," she said.

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