# **Ed Committee-**

## Katie Danielson, Families in Transition, Coordinator

### ISD 709 Homeless Total (July 1-June 30):

2015 = 475

2016 = 446

As of 2/28/17 = 363 and unaccompanied youth = 37

\*this is the first year we need to report unaccompanied youth numbers

~numbers may be slightly down this year due to how foster children are tracked

### <u>High School Seniors eligible for graduation:</u>

14-15 = 39 students in FIT graduated or 18 %

15-16 = 30 students in FIT graduated or 43%

#### Highest Number of Students (in order)

- 1. Elementary: Myers Wilkins, Congdon, Piedmont
- 2. High School: ALC, Denfeld

Success stories of graduating seniors 2017-Unaccompanied Youth

- 1. Varsity bball captain, accepted to FDLTCC in the fall
- 2. Involved in Robotics and has won awards, scholarship to Dunwoody in fall
- 3. Soccer player, ROTC, Army boot camp in August
- 4. Scholarship to Augsburg in fall
- 5. Active in districts CTE (career tech ed) for construction, funds from homeless education program paid for drivers ed to assist with marketability for construction jobs.

\*these are all students who have been homeless this year or for longer than this year and living independently. They have been couch hopping, living with friends, motel and in transitional housing. Some of the students have lived in a combination of several different living arrangements this year.

\*FIT has also assisted them (along with other youth) in obtaining State ID's, birth certificates, social security \$, Snap benefits, medical assistance, attended IEP meetings, completed FAFSA applications, letters for college applications to waive fees, medical appointments. Enrollment, housing, etc.