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Historic McCleary school funding hearing coming Wednesday

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On Wednesday, a historic hearing will be held in the Temple of Justice in Olympia, where the state's Supreme Court is calling state lawmakers to task, asking them to explain why the court shouldn't punish them for failing to make enough progress toward adequately funding public education in this state.

Back in 2012, the court, in a landmark decision, set a 2018 deadline for lawmakers to boost state education spending by more than \$1 billion dollars a year. In January, it criticized lawmakers for moving too slowly, and set an April deadline for coming up with a full plan.

Legislators did not do so, and the Court responded by scheduling Wednesday's "show cause" hearing.

Starting at 2 p.m. Wednesday, join reporters John Higgins and Joe O'Sullivan as they follow the proceedings live. We'll also be highlighting reaction from the local education community and taking your questions.