

Clemetson Family

Four adults and six children from two Seattle families had vacationed in Mexico. Four of the children were students at John Hay Elementary School.

Principal Joanne Testa-Cross said many of her other students are too young to comprehend what happened, but parents will need to mourn.

"We are a close family here, which means the impact will be great," she said. "But there is also a lot of support. That will get us through."

Dr. David and Carolyn Clemetson had three children -- Blake, Miles and Coriande -- in school. They also had an infant son, Spencer.

David Clemetson practiced at Three Tree Internal Medicine in Burien.

Rachel Pearson, 6, attended Hay Elementary with the Clemetson children. She, her parents, Rodney and Sarah Pearson, and their infant daughter, Grace, were all on the plane.

Lynn Steinberg, spokeswoman for the Seattle School District, said a crisis team was sent to the school.

Carolyn Clemetson was a stay-at-home mom who "knew the names of everyone on the block" less than two weeks after the family moved into their Queen Anne neighborhood home three years ago, said Effie Cain, who lives across the street.

Daughters Blake and Coriande "were lively little girls. I could hear those little patent-leather shoes going up the steps" to their house, Cain said.

Miles, she said, "was a nice little guy" who earned money doing special chores to buy a long-wanted scooter. He tooted around the neighborhood on it constantly.