

**KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH  
SCHOOL DISTRICT**

**2016-2017 School Annual  
Reports to the Superintendent**

**Sean Dusek,  
Superintendent**



# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Aurora Borealis Charter School

**Submitted by** Cody McCanna

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Bailey Epperheimer- Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) First Place for the Patriots for Pens essay competition in our local chapter. Placed 6 <sup>th</sup> at the state competition.
Melita Efta- Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Second Place in Patriots for Pens essay competition in our local chapter.
Melita Efta- Spelling Bee Winner
Mrs. Phillips- Named VFW Middle School Teacher of the Year for Alaska.
Future Problem Solving- Seven teams from ABCS competed at the State Bowl in Cordova. Two teams placed second and one team placed third.
Boys Basketball- Small School champions.
Girls Basketball- Small School champions.
Aleysa Strait- Geography Bee winner. Placed 12 <sup>th</sup> at State.
Parent Volunteers- Logged over 570 hours this year in the classroom.

# Superintendent's Annual Report

School Name Chapman School

Submitted by Conrad Woodhead

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## Yearly Activity Report For Chapman School 2016-2017

- 16 (+2 PREK speech student) Pre-K Students enrolled at Chapman
- Chapman School continues to enjoy Fruit & Veggie state grant through most of the year
- Currently using the following computer programs: Accelerated Reading, Milestones, Read Naturally, Skills Tutor, Read Naturally, Accelerated Math, Star Math, Star Reading, Typing Master Pro, Lexia, Headsprout, Orchard, Raz Reading, My Writing Web, Discovery Ed.
- Active Groups at Chapman: Student Council, Chapman Parent Advisory Group, Site Council, Title I
- Weekly Intervention Meetings
- Fall & Spring Photos
- Quarterly Family Ed Nights
- Middle School Shop Program & Music Program
- Salmon Egg Collection - Anchor River
- Community - HEA Yearly Open House BBQ held at Chapman, Youth Group Adult Basketball, Adult Volleyball, Zumba, Anchor King Wrestling
- Child Find
- SPROUT Playgroup
- Student of the Quarter lunches with Mr. Woodhead at Cheeky Moose
- Fire Safety - Anchor Point Volunteer Fire Department
- Joint Fire Drill with Anchor Point Volunteer Fire Department
- Read Across America with School wide activities
- Matching iPad Grant from Homer Foundation & Parent Group Donation
- Halloween Carnival
- Chapman School Open House well attended
- Sports: Soccer, Basketball, Volleyball, Junior High Wrestling, Track,
- Cookie Dough and Gifts & Things Fundraiser

- Scholastic Book Fair
- Senior Citizen Craft Bazaar
- Quarterly Awards Assemblies
- Parent Teacher Conferences
- SVT Healthy Choices Presentations 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Assemblies and Classroom Visits by Community Members
- Music Concerts: Fall, and Spring
- Canned Food Drive for Community Thanksgiving Baskets
- Anchor Point Public Library - Cabin Fever Variety Show
- Character Counts Behavior Incentive Program
- Spelling Bee - Andy Nelson
- 100s day activities school wide
- Donated 80+ receiving blankets made by volunteers to Alaska Regional Hospital NICU & PICU
- Battle of the Books 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Teams
- Special Music Programs: Mass Band & Mass Choir
- Volunteer Appreciation & Family Ed Night
- Student, Andy Nelson, chosen as Chapman's Masonic Student
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Students - Two weeks of swimming lessons
- Field Trips
- PREK & Kindergarten Open House
- Sixteen Kindergarten Students graduate
- Nine 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Students graduated
- Field Day
- All School/Community BBQ Last Day of School

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Connections

**Submitted by** Richard Bartolowits

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- State Wrestling 3<sup>rd</sup> Place finish for Gideon Hutchison.
- Article published in Clubhouse Magazine – Anna DeVold
- HEA Young Artist Contest, Best Safety Message – Sara DeVold
- Senior graduating with full, four-year scholarship to St. Olaf's College
- Battle of the Books 1<sup>st</sup> place KPBSD Soldotna 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade team
- Battle of the Books 2<sup>nd</sup> place KPBSD Homer 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade team
- All-State Trio performance - Jillissa Caligan
- Appointment to the United States Coast Guard Academy Scholars Program – Kane Graham
- Gold medal in National Latin Exam – Patrick Hannan
- Full scholarship to St. Olaf College in Minnesota – Patrick Hannan (Patrick is the youngest of 5 homeschooled children in his family, and the third to earn a full-ride at St. Olaf's)
- Athletic scholarship to Valley City State University – MaryBethany Coghil
- Alaska Business Week Scholarship – Cynthia Ellis
- Kenai Peninsula Native Youth Leaders Delegate at National UNITY Native Youth Conference – Isabelle Lopez
- All-State Solo/Ensemble – Thera Mullet
- Academic achievement award from Montana State University – Thera Mullet
- Graduated with 64 college credits and starting her first year at UAA as a Junior – Juliette Weaver

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Cooper Landing School

**Submitted by** Doug Hayman

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Every student was promoted to the next grade level. One teacher and nine grade levels, I feel this is a big accomplishment. Some of the grants received were the Alaska Arts Council Access and Excursion grants. This allowed students access to and exposure to world class arts instruction. This was always transferred into real-life art projects via support from a local volunteer art instructor. The school also received a Fred Meyer Food grant.

There are no athletic team sports available to Cooper Landing students but that is not to say they do not participate in athletic events. Because of support of the PAC, each student received six downhill ski lessons. Students also have friendly competitions with other small schools in the area in soccer, softball, and cross-country skiing. In fact because of parent support, excursions outside the walls of the school surpass most other schools. Along with skiing and other athletic/social events, students attend performing arts events and recreational/reward events.

In fact, Cooper Landing School surpasses all other schools that I know of in "outside the brick and mortar" opportunities. For example, each year, as a result of a grant years ago that has now become a yearly event, students go fishing down the Kenai River each September. This is a world class event that people from around the globe pay to go on, these guys just walk down from the playground and crawl into the boat. This may sound non-academic but nothing could be further from the truth. I have attended these field trips, at first as a dare, but saw firsthand the learning that occurs. The guides along the Kenai River are rich with knowledge about the history, hydraulics, geography, and chemistry of the area and they share it with every student who are so engaged that they hang on every word.

It did not fully occur to me how unique the Cooper Landing approach is as compared to “normal” schools, especially those in the lower 48, until our teacher was contacted by Larry Jacobs of Education Radio from Boston, Massachusetts. He interviewed Tommy on a live radio broadcast. They talked about how it is possible to teach every grade to the level of proficient in every curricular area and the unique challenges in rural Alaska. (Larry had no idea about schools outside the road system.)

What I am most proud of about this school is the systemic approach to meeting all the needs of every student at their level. This approach is a pocket of success that other schools in our district can look to for elements required for success in implementing our Personalized Learning initiative.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Homer Flex

**Submitted by** Christopher Brown

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## School-wide:

- Project Produce (Chef Ann grant providing weekly fresh produce)
- Community Service initiative (90+% student participation)
- Continued focus on positive school environment through PBIS (100% staff and student participation)
- School-wide Trauma Informed Care focus, including student implementation team
- Sources of Strength resiliency initiative (student led)
- Artist in the School (Melisa Shaginoff) through Bunnell Street Arts grant
- Adopt a Highway spit cleanup
- Zero Waste Campaign through the Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies
- continuation of Flex vegetable garden initiative
- all staff trained in Youth Mental Health First Aid
- Seventh Annual Flex First Friday
- Community dialogue regarding teen technology use at Homer Theater (“Screenagers” viewing and group discussion)
- Crock Pot Tuesday (student led cooking and nutrition project)
- Homer Foundation project prioritization through Youth Advisory Committee
- PolyCom delivered UAF Cooperative Extension Service’s student nutrition class
- Increased JumpStart participation
- Exxon transportation grant to Seward Sea Life Center
- Homer Foundation Grant for Seward fieldtrip (Sea Life Center, AVTEC)

## Project AWARE Mental Health Counselor Ingrid Harrald:

Youth Mental Health First Aid trainer certification  
4<sup>th</sup> R curriculum training  
Sources of Strength leader  
Trauma Informed Care Community leader

## Student Achievements:

Mae Ciechanski Scholarship (\$8000) – Maksim Kuzmin  
Homer Marine Trades Vocational Scholarship (\$1000) – Maksim Kuzmin

Kachemak Bay Rotary Club Vocational Scholarship (\$1000) – Maksim Kuzmin  
Masonic Outstanding Student Award – Leo Castellani  
Alaska Performance Scholarship qualification: Tara Hueper, Leo Castellani, and  
Sierra Wylde  
Homer Council on the Arts ballet scholarship – Hailey Radford  
North Star Hockey Conference Second Team All-Conference – Dimitry Kuzmin  
Rotary Exchange program to Slovakia – Cassidy Wylde  
Alaskan Artists Know Climate Change award winner – Cassidy Wylde  
March for Science organizer – Ravi Cavasos  
POPs Concert participation – Colten Morris  
Promoting Health Among Teens peer educator – Cassidy Lush

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Homer High School

**Submitted by** Douglas Waclawski

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## Academic

- Zane Boyer - National Merit Scholar Finalist
- Eryn Gillam – National Merit Scholar Commended
- 2015 AP Scholar
  - Lauren Evarts
  - Rowan Biessel
  - Mary Hana Bowe
- 2015 AP Scholar with Honor
  - Zane Boyer
  - Eryn Gillam
  - Juan Sarmiento
- Jacob Socha – 2nd Place Skills USA (Construction)

## Athletic

- Team Region Championships
  - Wrestling
  - Boys Cross Country
  - Girls Cross Country
  - Girls Track
  - Girls Softball
- Team State Championships
  - State Runner-up – Wrestling
  - State Championship – Girls Cross Country Running
  - State Championship - Boys Cross Country Running
  - State Championship – Girls Track & Field
  - Academic Award – Boys Cross County Running
  - Academic Award – Boys Soccer

- Individual Championships
  - Timmy Woo – Wrestling (160)
  - McKenzie Cook – Wrestling (140)
  - Jared Brant – Wrestling (138)
  - Luciano Fasulo (106)
  - Tristan Cook (170)
  - Kaylee Veldstra – Track & Field (100 m Dash)
  - Anna Brock – Track & Field (Shot)
  - Anna Brock – Track & Field (Discus)
- Individual Awards
  - McKenzie Cook – State Female Wrestler of the Year

**Music**

- National Honor Solo Ensemble - Falcum Greear
- Superior Performance State Sole Ensemble – HHS Mixed Ensemble (“Earth Song” – Frank Ticheli)
- Superior Performance State Sole Ensemble - HHS Men’s Ensemble: (“The Quest Unending” – Joseph Martin)

# Superintendent's Annual Report

**School Name** Homer Middle School

**Submitted by** Kari Lee Dendurent

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## Student Celebrations

Madison Story- Masonic Student of the Year

Larry Dunn- Spelling Bee

Sam Cary- Geography Bee

Larry Dunn- Math Counts 1<sup>st</sup> in Chapter, 11<sup>th</sup> at State

Larry Dunn- 2<sup>nd</sup> KPBSD Math Meet

Girls Soccer 3<sup>rd</sup> in Boroughs

Boys Soccer 3<sup>rd</sup> in Boroughs

Boys Cross Country- Eoyab Knapp 2<sup>nd</sup> in Boroughs

Girls Basketball- Borough Champs

Boys Basketball- Borough Champs

## Parent Volunteers

Julianne Super- KPBD Apple Award

## Teacher Recognition

BP Teacher of Excellence Nomination- Dan Olson

## Grants Received

Homer Foundation Grant with Dave Schroer \$3,000

Safeway Innovation Grant \$5,000

August 17, 2016 7<sup>th</sup> Grade SMART Start

August 18, 2016 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation

August 29, 2016 New to Homer Student Luncheon

August 30, 2016 HMS Open House

September 12, 2016 HMS Report to the School Board

September 20, 2016 Mindful Families and Mindful Schools

September 30, 2016 HMS Pep Rally

October 1, 2016 Women of the World Performance w/HMS Choir Students

October 13, 2016 Fall Music Concert

October 14, 2016 HMS Activity Night

November 9, 2016- Honor Roll Assembly

November 10, 2016- Health Parent Night

November 11, 2016 Honor Roll Ice Cream Social

November 14, 2016 Paul Banks Mentoring Project at HMS

November 22, 2016 HHS Trivia Night- HMS 1<sup>st</sup> Place

December 2016- Share the Spirit and Angel Tree for Homer Community

December 12-16, 2016 Student Government Spirit Week

December 15, 2016 Winter Concert

December 16, 2016 Pep Rally

December 16, 2016 Activity Night

January 26, 2017- Honor Roll Assembly

January 27, 2017 Paul Banks Mentoring at HMS

February 24, 2017- Engineering Week Guest Speakers in Science

March 4, 2017- Nordic Skiing 1<sup>st</sup> Zoe Stonorov & Tanner Reid

March 7, 2017- Music in Our Schools Concert – Band Only

March 9, 2017- Homer Middle School Presentation to Rotary

March 10-19, 2017- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Close up to Washington DC and New York

April 7, 2017- Activity Night

April 13, 2017- Feeder School Presentation at McNeil

April 13, 2017- McNeil Rising 7<sup>th</sup> Grader Info Night

April 18, 2017- KPBSD Mass Choir at Skyview

April 25, 2017- West Homer ES Special Education Visit

April 27 and 28, 2017- 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Marine Days

April 27- Feeder School Presentations at Fireweed and West Homer

April 28, 2017- Navy Band Visit in 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

May 1, 2017- Teacher Appreciation Week

May 1- 5, 2017- Artist in Residence Irish Country Dancing

May 2, 2017- KPBSD Mass Band

May 5, 2017- Artist in Residence Performance

May 12, 2017- STEP Up Day at Homer High School

May 16, 2017- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Student Earthquake and Tsunami Interview with KBBI

May 16, 2017- Facebook Live Student Earthquake and Tsunami Presentation

May 17, 2017- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Presentation to Paul Banks

May 18, 2017- HMS Spring Music Concert

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Hope School

**Submitted by** Doug Hayman

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One of the first honors Hope School received was one of our high school students was awarded the opportunity to spend the day with our governor. This was in addition to two of our students going to Washington, D.C. the year before. Politics are alive and well in Hope, Alaska. This year our SPED department was also nominated for an Alaska DEED inclusion award. Both of our SPED paras attended a luncheon honoring nominees.

The average GPA for Hope High School seniors was 3.84 with a 100% graduation rate. Okay, there was only one graduate but he is an outstanding student who received four scholarships to aid him in attending UAA. Even with only one graduate, the Hope graduation ceremony was a great event. Nearly 70 people were in attendance. There was entertainment, a speech from the lead teacher, and all the pomp and circumstance that large high schools have.

The Hope debate team also participated in two sanctioned competitions and there will likely continue to be a debate team in the future. The team won several debates but did not walk away with any overall titles, this year. Next year there will also be a cross-country running team that can compete in sanctioned events.

I have only been a part of the Hope team for a few months but I am most proud of how they function as a family within the school. It is not easy to measure but it is a attribute that one can sense upon entry into the school.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Kaleidoscope School of Arts and Science

**Submitted by** Robin Dahlman

Please list the outstanding achievements of students, staff and/or your school for the past year. It is important that you share the following information; grants awarded, districtwide, statewide and national academic awards, regional and state athletic titles, special schoolwide projects, etc. It is not necessary to list each member of a team or group unless it is pertinent to an individual award. Your submission may not be longer than two (2) pages in length. This electronic form must be emailed to Debbie Tressler, Administrative Secretary, on or before June 1.

- Owen Smith, 5<sup>th</sup> grader, National Geography Bee State finalist
- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade classes completed social action project to benefit local pet shelter in Kenai; made toys, organic treats for animals, and emergency packs for disaster relief
- Hosted Conscious Discipline training for 3 days in classrooms with staff and students to focus on implementation school wide
- Partnered with the Charis Place developing life links between students and elders in our community-visiting on a bimonthly basis
- Drama specialist and master Shakespeare actor, Elizabeth Ware, provided incredible learning opportunities for students, staff and community during a weeklong institute
- Showcased our learning process of Inquiry, Dialogue and Reflection during quarterly learning celebrations designed and run independently by students.
- Maintained a broad base of committed volunteers. Volunteer hours average 16 hours per day...this is only counting classroom hours. Hours for PTA, APC, etc are over 1,000 hours for the school year-incredible support
- Provided professional learning extension for 9 certified staff in Orff methods of integrating music, drama and movement into the general and specialist classrooms
- Focused on personalized learning for each whole child through our integrated model maintaining fidelity to our core, focus on relationships, and building meaningful, deep connections with each
- Created rich learning experiences due to dedicated and protected collaboration time built into daily schedule
- Approved a reduced budget as a school community through much collaboration with staff, community members, parents, district support, and our Academic Policy Committee

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** K-Beach Elementary

**Submitted by** Nate Crabtree

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**BP Teacher of the Year** – Two teachers from K-Beach Elementary were nominated for this award.

**Golden Apple Award** – Mrs. Duhan (music teacher) will be receiving the Golden Apple Award at the June school board meeting.

**High Tunnel Project** – K-Beach Elementary is the recipient of a high tunnel greenhouse.

**Sign Language Club** – K-Beach started a club for the purposes of being able to communicate with the hearing impaired.

**State K-9 Dog** – Students in 6<sup>th</sup> grade from K-Beach Elementary won the contest for naming the new K-9 trooper dog.

**Olympic Gold Medalist Bryan Clay** – Through a connection with K-Beach staff, 4<sup>th</sup> graders at K-Beach were able to Skype in with an Olympic gold medalist and share in a motivational experience.

**DARE** – A student from K-Beach won this year's DARE essay contest.

**Reading is Great in the Summer (RIGS)** – Teachers worked to promote and foster a love of reading during the summer months. This particular program has garnered a significant amount of community support.

**The Great Caribou Migration** – This event has developed into a tradition that brings together *all* students, *all* staff, and *many* families to promote positive school culture and healthy lifestyles through exercise.

**Box Tops** – Students and families collected nearly \$1300 worth of box tops that will benefit the school.

**K-Beach Chess Club Tournament** – Many students in grades 3-6 participated in the second annual K-Beach Chess Club Tournament.

**K-Beach Future Problem Solving Team** – Quest students in grades 3-6 participated in the future problem solving competition and qualified for the state competition. This is the first time that this has occurred.

**Junior Achievement** – K-Beach was the first school on the peninsula to host a JA in a Day three years ago. This continues to be a good opportunity to connect with the community.

**Forensics** – Several students placed with top honors at the district wide forensics competition.

**2017 Kenai River Spring Clean Up** – K-Beach participated in the third Annual Kenai River Spring Clean Up.

**Veteran's Day Assembly** – K-Beach held the 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Veteran's Day Assembly to honor veterans and those currently serving in the armed forces.

#### **PTO Events**

- Pumpkins in the Playground
- Bingo for Books
- Family Game Night
- Family Movie Night
- Kids Go Shopping
- Multiple Book Fairs
- School wide field trip
- School wide BBQ
- Quarterly Caribou Celebrations

# Superintendent's Annual Report

**School Name** Kenai Alternative

**Submitted by** Loren Reese

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## Individual Awards and Recognition:

Masonic Outstanding Student – Anastasia Christoffersen

ELKS Lodge #2425 Student of the Year-Roman Everett

UA Scholars Award Recipients – Greyson Bilderback

Mae Ciechanski Scholarship- Anastasia Christoffersen

## School-wide Projects

KAHS offers a morning breakfast program which is run by the Soldotna United Methodist Church, Our Lady of the Angels Catholic Church, and the Halstead Family. These groups coordinate efforts to secure grant funding for the project, purchase food items, prepare the food and serve breakfast to our students every morning. Their tireless efforts provide a hot meal to many students that would otherwise go without.

Kenai Alternative continued to collaborate with 11 other alternative schools from Alaska. A meeting was held in January. There all 11 schools discussed was to better serve the alternative students in our state. This coalition is funded by the state of Alaska Department of Education. Our school is also working with federal government in accordance with the Project AWARE. With this grant, both Kenai Alt and Homer Flex are able to have full time counselors to serve students with their social, emotional, and health needs.

This year KAHS had 27 graduates.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Kenai Central High School

**Submitted by** Alan Fields

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Meredith McCullough KPBSD BP Teacher of Excellence

Drake Thomas won school, district and state in TrigStar, and will go on to nationals for the second year in a row. Drake Thomas has scored the highest ever Alaska score on the AIME II contest exam, 13 out of 15 and qualified for the USAMO (USA Mathematics Olympiad) for the 4th year. His score is still pending (not evaluated yet) to attend the Final round internationally.

Choir:

27% of the school is enrolled in choir. 52 students made the borough honor choir. 22 KCHS students made the all-state choir (the most in the state). 3 students (the only students from Alaska) made and attended the ACDA National Honor Choir. 24 students have qualified for the state Solo and Ensemble competition.

Band:

26 students selected to KPBSD honor band. 8 students selected to Alaska All-State Band. 8 selected to All-Northwest Band. State SUPERIOR Solos: Raleigh Van Natta – 2nd place Command Performance Solo, Drake Thomas, Ginni Orth – Exhibition Duet. State SUPERIOR Ensembles: Raleigh Van Natta – 1st place Command Performance Exhibition Duet, Clarinet – Emily Dunham, Devin Murphy, Marissa Matthews, Sabrina McConnell, & Joshua Foster, Brass Octet – Karl Danielson, Dareena Doyle, Ning Wangnoi, Brooke Satathite, Eli Heinrich, John Grossl, Tucker Mueller, & Trevor Bagley

Four finalist in the Caring for the Kenai Competition.

Hunter Beck 4<sup>th</sup> place, Kimberly Trefon 5<sup>th</sup> place, Brooke Nash top 12 finisher, Chelsea Plagge top 12 finisher

Culinary team to Regions with a 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place, then to state and brought home a 3<sup>rd</sup> place

KCHS leadership put together the KCHS Lip Dub resulting in great excitement and school spirit. The Silent Auction and Spaghetti Feed dinner for continues to raise thousands of dollars for the Students in Transition program.

Job Shadow Program placed nearly 100 students into the world of work for a day.

Cross Country

2 Time Region 3 Northern Lights Conference Champions 2015 and 2016  
KCHS Girls Team Runner Up at ASAA 4A State Meet

Swim & Dive:

State finishers: Mikala Pitsch 5th Diving, Hunter Reese 8th 100 Butterfly

Football:

All State: Chase Gillies Returner, Zack Tuttle Receiver, John Delgado, Offensive Lineman, Rykker Riddal Defensive Back

Volleyball:

Region MVP, Abby Beck

Wrestling:

State Finisher : Keyshawn McEnerney 152 lbs 2nd Place

Hockey:

All Conference – Levi Meese 2nd Team All-Conference

Nordic Skiing:

Top State Finisher Male: Karl Danielson, Female: Riana Boonstra

Basketball:

Boys: Josh Jackman All region 1st team

Girls: Jayce Calvert, Brooke Satathite, and Laura Creighton 2nd team All Region

Soccer:

Boys Region III Champions, Joel Reemtsma Coach of the Year, Zach Tuttle Region MVP

Boys 3<sup>rd</sup> Place State

Track:

Josh Jackman Region III MVP

State: Josh Jackman 1<sup>st</sup> place long jump, 1<sup>st</sup> place 200 dash; Jarret Wilson 1<sup>st</sup> place 300 hurdles

Baseball:

Northern Lights South Conference Champions, Paul Steffensen South Conference MVP

Softball:

Ciera King and Patricia Catacutan 1st Team All Region

Art:

KPBSD Art Show:

Olivia Daniels; 1<sup>st</sup> place, sculpture

Fionna Heath; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, sculpture

Riley Atwood; 1<sup>st</sup> place, Photography

Hope Breff; 2<sup>nd</sup> place, photography

Max Howland; 2<sup>nd</sup> place drawing

Zada Sloan; 1<sup>st</sup> place, drawing

Nick Beeson; Honorable Mention, ceramics

Molly Nusbaum; Best of Show for her sculpture

We have had 14 student Athletes sign National letters of intent to compete athletically at the collegiate level next year.

BP Scholarship State winner Emily Koziczowski

The graduating class of 2017 received substantial scholarships from various universities and other sources totaling over \$600,000.00.

# Superintendent's Annual Report

School Name Kenai Middle School

Submitted by Vaughn Dosko

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## SPORTS

Soccer	Girls – Second at Boroughs Boys – Second at Boroughs
XC Running	Finished in Top 10
Track	Girls/Boys – Second at Borough
Basketball	Girls – Second Place finish Boys – Second Place finish
Volleyball	First and Second at Borough
Wrestling	Finished in Top 5
XC Skiing	Finished in Top 10

## ACADEMICS

Math Counts	1st Place in State
Math Bowl	1st Place in Homer
FPS (Future Problem Solving)	1st Place
Geography Bee	1st Place – Sorin Sorenson
Spelling Bee	1st Place – Courtney Ellis
Battle of the Books	7th & 8th Grade – 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
After School Tutorial	November 15 – April 13 (Tuesday's, Wednesday's and Thursday's)
Masonic Award	– 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Tucker Vann

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Band Concerts	5 Band Concerts throughout the year
Choir Concerts	5 Choir Concerts throughout the year

## ACTIVITIES

WAK (Welcoming All Kids)	August 12
Open House/BBQ	September 11 May2
Spirit Week	September 12-16 February 13-17

Activity Nights	September 9 November 11 December 9 March 24 May 12
Hay Maze	October 14
Red Ribbon Week	October 24-28
Book Fair	October 24-28
Canned Food Drive	December 5-19
Character Counts	August 31, 2016 – May 24, 2017
SOM (Students of the Month)	October 3 November 1 December 1 February 1 March 1 April 3 May 1
Celebrations	October 31 April 5
Ice Fishing	February 24, 2017(7th Grade)
Clubs	January 18 – February 15, 2017
Volunteer Celebration	April 27, 2017
New Student Visitation	April 27-28, 2017
Aluminum Can Drive	April 17 – 21, 2017 1st Place
Mini courses	May 22-23, 2017
6th Camp	May 16-18, 2017
Farewell Ceremony	May 19, 2017
<u>MEETINGS</u>	
Staff Meetings	(monthly – first Wednesday of each month)
<u>DRILLS</u>	
Fire Drills	August, 2016– May, 2017 (Monthly)
Earthquake Drills	October 20, 2016
ALICE Training	August 23, 2016 and Sept 19, 2016
<u>BUILDING USE</u>	
AWANA's Peninsula Midnight Sun Little League Baseball	September, 2016 – April 2017 (Sunday's) January – March, 2017 March – April, 2017

# Superintendent's Annual Report

**School Name** Kachemak Selo School

**Submitted by** Tim Whip

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## Outstanding achievements of students, staff, and Kachemak Selo School

- Two teachers nominated for BP Teachers of Excellence
- Battle Books 5-6, 7-8
- Four 12<sup>th</sup> grade graduates One Masonic Award recipient
  - One Presidential Award for Academic Achievement
  - One Best Attendance Award
  - UA Scholar recipient
- Three Kindergarten promotions
- Seven 8<sup>th</sup> grade promotions
- Sports Head of the Bay Coop—Football and Homer High Hockey
- Field Trips
  - Elementary trip to Synergy Farms
  - Guided Beach Walk with Project Grade and WWF
  - Pratt Museum
  - HS trip w/Raz students to Peterson Bay (22 Students)
  - Homer Book Store/Public Library
  - Field Days to Razdolna
  - MS/HS from Selo/Ras to HHS Gym
  - K-5 Skiing with John Miles at Lookout Point
- Students in Grades 3-6 (Raz/Selo) went to the Challenger Center
- Parent volunteers: site council, maintenance and new construction, field trips/class projects, parent led pre-school
- Dual-language instruction (English/Russian) in grades K-5
- K-12 Swimming Lessons
  - K-5 at the Bay Club w/climbing wall
  - 6-12 at the HHS Pool and Gym
- Elementary Art Tuesdays focusing on different elements of art every week
- Teacher led in-service/collaborations w/Razdolna: Dual Language, Café 5
- Outdoor lab activities and field studies
- Monthly beach clean-up

- Collaboration schedule—focus on Blended Learning, Russian Language/Dual Language
- Head of the Bay beach and highway cleanup (20 miles)
- After school construction academy at HHS
- Alternative/variance calendar approved by Site Council
- Implemented Sea Grant Activities w/Razdolna School
  - Field Trip to Peterson Bay (26 students, staff)
  - Classroom visits from Henry Reiski (Alaska Coastal Studies)
  - Art workshops w/Debbie Harris
  - Marine Debris cleanup
- Increased student engagement through: Reading Literacy Carnival, Literacy Lantern Night, Swimming, Skiing at McNeil Canyon, field trips
- HS art sent to Juneau – Art in the Capital Program
- MS/HS Construction of Covered Lawn Mower Shed
- End of Year Seminars
  - Constructed a covered shed for the lawn mower/Gator
  - Making Soap
  - Planting Morning Glories/Nasturtiums in student made baskets
  - Making Sourdough Bread
  - Drawing class K-2
  - Hiking to Lava Rock

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** McNeil Canyon Elementary

**Submitted by** Pete Swanson

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## Staff Achievements

- **Melon Purcell and Lenore Swanson** collaborated with parent volunteer Miriam Linder on 24<sup>th</sup> consecutive, successful Artist-in-Schools grant that provided the opportunity for all students to create Chinese brush stroke art pieces of their own. Local artist, Sharlene Cline, was our Artist in Residence. Sharlene provided an opportunity for all of our students to work on developmentally appropriate Chinese brush stroke art pieces. McNeil students were very actively involved in this two week program. This AIS grant program has had a tremendous impact on the entire school and has become a very real tradition.

## Student Accomplishments

- **Jody Goodrich** qualified for the National Geographic State Geography Bee and **Rebecca Trowbridge** qualified for the State Spelling Bee. Jody is a 4<sup>th</sup> grade student this year and Rebecca is a 4<sup>th</sup> grade student.

## Co-Curricular Accolades

- K-6 Students competed in Battle of the Books.
- Several entries and strong showing in the KPBSD Forensics event.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Moose Pass School (37)

**Submitted by** A. Rothenberger

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Moose Pass School had many outstanding achievements in 16-17, including:

- Quarterly Potlucks
- 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Places at Forensics Competition
- Lego Robotics Competition Awards—Strategy and Innovation
- Halloween Carnival
- Holiday Christmas Program
- Sportsman Club Donations and Raffle
- Holiday Craft Bazaar—Students, Parents and Community
- Winter Ornament Fundraiser
- Winter Rendezvous Bake Sale
- Battle of the Books Champion
- Downhill Skiing Lessons at Alyeska
- Nordic Skiing around Trail Lake
- Spelling Bee Champion
- Archery in Schools Program –Jeff Bryden (Parent)
- Kenai Fjords Tour
- SeaLife Center
- Mind Amazes
- Math Bowl
- Trimathalon
- Moose Pass Historical Mural Project
- Salmon Dissection
- Library Pat on the Back Award
- Chinese Language
- Mother’s Day Gift
- Several Days of Hiking on the Eastern Peninsula
- Swimming Lessons
- Daily Library Read Aloud—Melanie Hornberger (Parent)
- Year-End Eastern Peninsula Small School BBQ-Hope, Cooper Landing, MP
- \$2500 in Fundraising for FY16
- Co-Curricular Vs. Home and Cooper Landing

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Mountain View Elementary

**Submitted by** Karl Kircher

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From March 27 -29, 2017, Mountain View Elementary hosted a series of workshops and a performance with the Young Americans, a world-renowned show choir and dance group based in California. For three days 32 young performers took over the intermediate wing to teach various aspects of popular music and dance. The event culminated in a final performance at KCHS Auditorium (sold out) in which the Young Americans themselves performed the first act and our local student-musicians took to the stage for the second act in a demonstration of their learning. Approximately 200 students from Mountain View Elementary as well as 80 students from surrounding KPBSD schools, and one student who travelled from Japan participated in the event. Participants ranged in grade level from 3<sup>rd</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>. It was truly a community effort with over \$10,000 raised in sponsorships and grants as well as over a dozen local families volunteering to house and feed the performers for 4 days. The success of this event has the district looking to bring the Young Americans to other locations throughout the district next year.

Mountain View Elementary teachers played a pivotal role in helping roll out the new Alaska Arts Standards to the KPBSD this year. Two of our teachers developed model lessons and traveled to schools in the Central Peninsula and Homer to work collaboratively with teachers to demonstrate how the new Arts Standards could be integrated throughout the curriculum.

Mountain View Elementary and the KPC Workforce Development and Training Department teamed up this year to develop and pilot a new program called "Aspiring Work Force". The goal of the program was to engage 4<sup>th</sup> grade students in activities to help them understand the value of developing a learning/work ethic as the key to a positive, broad vision of the future and then reinforcing that concept in the classroom. A key part of the program was a morning visit by the students to the KPC campus including small group rotations through the process tech, EMT, and welding labs, including demonstrations, hands on opportunities and first-hand information about what a career in those fields is like. The afternoon included a tour of the dormitories, and side trips to local workplaces where those skills are

used. Follow up writing projects indicated that students not only were excited about what they had experienced but understood the connection between school and the future.

Mountain View Elementary Students continued to live up to their “Neighborhood School” moniker by participating in a variety of Community Service projects. Carol Bannock from the Kenai Senior Center presented certificates of appreciation and pins to students who were servers at three different Senior Center events this year, up from one last year. Once again students worked with the City of Kenai Parks and Rec. Department, this year purchasing soil and helping plant hanging baskets to place around the city. Our afterschool choir sang at the Kenai Veterans Day Ceremony. Our 3rd grade worked with CPGH to pack gift bags for new mothers and our Kindergarten Pennies for Pets program raised close to \$500 for the Kenai Animal Shelter. Our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade sang Christmas Carols at various businesses throughout the community and our Christmas Drive in conjunction with KMS provided meals and gifts to 69 local families.

Academics, particularly math, continue to be strong point for Mountain View Elementary. We raised our math goals in our Strategic Plan this year and met or exceeded every one. Our primary grades performance, based on Aimsweb national normed assessments and our Intermediate grades performance, based on Performance Series nationally normed assessments are as follows: Kindergarten 82% of students above the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile, 1<sup>st</sup> grade 89% of students above the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade 92% of students above the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade 82% of students above the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile, 4<sup>th</sup> grade 85% of students above the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile and 5<sup>th</sup> grade 86% of students above the 25<sup>th</sup> percentile. These percentages include all students in those grade levels including special education and intervention. Our use of WIN (whatever is needed) Time focusing on differentiated instruction in math has helped in this area as well as also providing teachers with a strong base from which to further broaden personalized learning opportunities for students next year. We once again hosted the district Trimathalon, and will be providing extension activities in math next year to our students with the help of a local engineer who has currently been working with KMS in the same capacity.

Students from Mountain View won the Enstar “Call before You Dig” Poster Contest, placed four poems (out of 12) in the Kenai Pathways to Poetry Contest and will have their artwork represented on a new mural in the Challenger Learning Center. Mountain View Elementary teacher Jonathan Dillon was recognized as a BP Teacher of Excellence and Principal Karl Kircher was recognized as the BP Educational Ally.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Nanwalek School

**Submitted by** Nancy Kleine

## Grants:

### ConnectED Grant

- Second of three years
- Received three multi-day support visits from Apple ConnectEd Coaches/managers/CEOs/engineers
- Received six robots for use in classrooms next school year.
- Received donations from Apple Employees (\$177) for the use of Green Screen or other apps

Alaska in the Schools Grant for visiting artist Gwendolyn Chatfield. Administered through Bunnell Street Gallery.

Participated in Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies' Zero Marine Debris grant

- Learned about preventing debris in the marine environment, particularly important in Nanwalek

Participated in Chugachmiut's Language Grant

- Sugt'stun teachers worked in the school to help retain the language / culture.
- Chugachmiut Staff provided an in-service on culturally relevant instruction.

### School-wide Projects/Initiatives:

ConnectED Technology Initiative - See Grant Section, also.

- Provide instructional support through 1:1 iPads
- Goal to increase reading proficiency
- Student Tech Teams formed to document Sea Week
- Student Tech Team Concept Initiated for 2017-17
- Goal: Community Challenge Project – Help Retain Language/Culture. Includes student-led video projects (interviews/other), archived videos, write Book Creator Sugt'stun books
- Participated in the ConnectED Leadership Academy in Dallas Feb, 8-12, 2017.

Nanwalek Service Learning Project

- 16 service hours required for graduation (vert successful during first year)

Sea Week

- Thematic week involving traditional culture; Art activities through the Art in the Schools Grant (Gwendolyn Chatfield) and Debbie Harris (KPBSD); Science with Center for Alaskan Coastal Studies, Alaska SeaLife Center, Kachemak Bay Research Reserve; Local talents shared through NYO Demonstration, gathering/cooking traditional foods; ConnectED Activities through Student Tech Team – created video documentation

**Academic Awards**

Valedictorian and UA Scholar Scholarship - Paraskovia Jimmy

Spirit of Youth Award – Carrie Damian

Superintendent’s Attendance Award (Perfect Attendance S1 and Q3) – Bella Velez

Principal’s Award S1 – Julianna Sjoblom

Principal’s Award S2 – Severan Demas

Service Learning Completion Awards (16 hours total service): Seniors: Paraskovia Jimmy, Julianna Sjoblom, Terence Swenning. Juniors: Valentina Eluska, Malaika Swenning, Verina Ukatish. Freshman: Evan Evans.

**Athletic Recognitions**

Nanwalek Middle School Boys Basketball Team – Regionals – Sportsmanship Award

Nanwalek Middle School Girls Basketball Team – Regionals – Second Place

Nanwalek NYO Team – Iverson Moonin – 4<sup>th</sup> Place – Boys Indian Stick Pull

**CTE Awards**

Susan B. English Construction Academy Certificates: Valentina Eluska, Evan Evans, Josephine Evans, Justus Evans, Johnathan Jimmy, Julianna Sjoblom, Malaika Swenning, Terence Swenning, Verina Ukatish

**Employee Recognitions**

KPBSD 10-year pins:

- Mr. Keith Seville, Foods Manager; Type M Culinary Arts Teacher
- Mr. James Reinseth, Teacher

Apple Distinguished Educator (ADE) - Ms. Penny Bearden

Earned “Apple Teacher” Distinction (Completed Apple Teacher Training Online)

- Penny Bearden
- Edna Damian
- Shoshana Huntsman
- Nancy Kleine
- Kelly Yeaton

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Nikiski North Star

**Submitted by** Margaret Gilman

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## School-wide Projects

- NNS implemented a change in scheduling this year. We started a dedicated time for intervention/enrichment (Shining Stars Time) for each grade level. The 45minute block of time was beneficial for students as it provided them an opportunity to receive intervention and special education services without feeling that they were “missing” something from their regular education classes during that time. The block allowed teachers to reduce the number of students for instruction but also to narrow the instructional band of students during that instructional time.
- 65% of the 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders at Nikiski North Star started band in the fall and finished band at our spring concert. Students were able to choose to participate in the concert band or the modern (rock) band. This engagement level is significant since students had to miss part of lunch and/or recess to participate. Anecdotal accounts from students indicate that they are asking for and receiving musical instruments for birthday and Christmas gifts. This is a significant change for our community.
- The 2<sup>nd</sup> NNS jog-a-thon was held this year with a total amount raised of \$8,600. The parents and community are very supportive of this fundraiser and appreciate that it provides an active way for students to participate and does not require selling products.
- NNS continues to have a strong partnership with Boys and Girls Club. Nikiski clubhouse has the highest daily membership on the Kenai Peninsula with more than 100 students participating each day. Boys and Girls Club partners with NNS staff to facilitate a homework hour with real time information from teachers about work which needs to be accomplished.

## Awards:

- Masonic Student – Keegan Hupp, 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Geography Bee – Levi Kimbell, 5<sup>th</sup> grade
- Spelling Bee – Lorenzo Elias, 5<sup>th</sup> grade

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Nikiski Middle/High School

**Submitted by** Dan Carstens

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**Middle School Fine Arts** Madalyn Stichal was an Honorable Mention in Functional Ceramics in the borough art show: 2<sup>nd</sup> place Ami Olsen & Christian Chikoyak; 3<sup>rd</sup> place Tatiyanna Murphy & Michael Weathers; Honorable Mention Dylan Harris, Adrienne Stynsberg & Petie Deveer.

**Quest** The Mind A-Mazes “Vinyl Girls” team made up of Ndea Rollins, Alyssa Nunley, and Madalyn Stichal received the Judge’s Choice Award. The Nikiski Trimathlon Team placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Lightning Round and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Word Problems Round. The Nikiski LEGO League team qualified for the state tournament.

**MS Athletics** The Nikiski MS girls took 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Borough Basketball tournament. Nikiski also had five Borough Wrestling Champions: Jaryn Zoda, Brady Bostic, Jakob Brown, Christian Chikoyak, & Caileb Payne. Placing 2<sup>nd</sup> at Borough Wrestling was Koleman McCaughey. Simon Grenier placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at the Borough Wrestling meet. In the Middle School Borough Track meet Koleman McCaughey took 2<sup>nd</sup> in both the 800 Meters and 1600 Meters. Rylee Ellis took 3<sup>rd</sup> in both the 800 Meters and 1600 Meters. Adrienne Stynsberg, Jaycee Tauriainen, Savanna Stock, & Dianne Nasibog too 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 4x200 Meters.

**Outdoor Recreation Class** Jesse Bjorkman was able to take a group of students on a Moose hunt again this fall following the completion of their hunter safety course and certification. This is a program with Fish and Game facilitated by the Safari Club. Sixteen students were certified in Hunter Education.

## **High School**

**Fine Arts** Myranda Rockett place 1<sup>st</sup> in the State Art Championship for Fiber Arts, and Kaitlyn Johnson was an Honorable Mention in photography. Borough Placers were: Kaitlyn Johnson –3<sup>rd</sup> Photography; Liz Oliva –3<sup>rd</sup> Open; Alysa Smith –3<sup>rd</sup> painting; Kaycee Bostic –Honorable Mention –Photography; Amy Porter – Honorable Mention –Open. The PTSA secured a grant to bring Jen Luton from Drunken Forest Tie-Dye in Soldotna to do a half day workshop with our students. Also visiting artists were Joshua Beldstra, Photography, and Shevie Lewis, Spray Paint Art. **Choir** Katerina Sinenko made All State Treble Choir. Mark Weathers was an All State Mixed Choir Alternate. The following students were selected for

the Borough Honor Choir: Alysa Smith, Paige Shield, Rina Oliva, Mark Weathers, Katelyn Moore, Treasa Cooper, Katerina Sinenko, Madelin Weeks.

**CTE** Warren Gage placed 1<sup>st</sup> at the State Skills USA Competition in Stick Welding. The following students placed at the Skills USA Borough Meet: Warren Gage – 1<sup>st</sup> in Welding, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Trailer Backup; Michale Meyers – 1<sup>st</sup> in Trailer Backup, 2<sup>nd</sup> in Welding, Silas Buss – 2<sup>nd</sup> in Trailer Backup, 3<sup>rd</sup> in Welding. Sixteen students earned food worker cards in Foods class. Five students helped cater the 2017 Alaska State P.E.O. Convention held in Kenai with the mentorship of Sam O'Reagan and Marilee Johansen.

**Battle of the Books** The High School team took 4<sup>th</sup> in the borough competition.

**Musical Theatre** The Musical Theater class performed "The Pirates of Penzance" this Spring.

**National Honor Society** The NHS put on a blood drive for the Blood Bank of Alaska, set up a paper recycling program at the school, assisted with a Winter Coat Drive and participated in roadside trash pick-up.

**Athletics** Football - The following Nikiski Football players made the Greatland Conference All Conference Team: Patrick Perry – Running Back, Return Specialist, Honorable Mention Punter; Matthew Minium – Fullback, Outside Linebacker; Dalton Mullins – Long Snapper; Dustin Mullins – Guard; Ian Johnson – Quarterback, Inside Linebacker; Clayton Larson – 2<sup>nd</sup> Team Defensive Line; Cody Handley – Honorable Mention Outside Linebacker.

Volleyball – The Nikiski team was the South Central Conference Region Champion and the State Runner-up. The following girls made the 1<sup>st</sup> Team All Region and 1<sup>st</sup> Team All State: Ayla Pitt, Melanie Sexton, Kelsey Clark. Kaitlyn Johnson was the All State Outstanding Server, Jamie Yerkes was 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All Region. Emma Wik made the Region Good Sport Team and Brianna Vollertsen made the State Good Sport Team. The Volleyball team also raised \$450 for the Cure Starts Now Foundation.

Wrestling – Tyler Litke was the Region Champion and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> at the State Tournament.

Basketball- The Nikiski girls were the regular season Champions of the South Central Conference, placed 3<sup>rd</sup> at the South Central Conference Tournament and placed 5<sup>th</sup> at the State Tournament. They were the Champions of the Kenai River Classic, Nikiski Tip-Off, and Grace Hardwood Classic tournaments. Bethany Carstens was selected to the 1<sup>st</sup> Team All State Team and was the South Central Conference MVP. Bethany was a Gatorade Player of the Year nominee. She was also selected by USA Today as a 1<sup>st</sup> Team All State member and she was a Regional Player of the Week through MaxPreps encompassing 5 states. 1<sup>st</sup> Team All South Central Conference – Avery Kornstad, Brianna Vollertsen, Kelsey Clark. 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All South Central Conference – Ayla Pitt. ASAA Good Sport Award – Emma Wik & Rylee Jackson.

Track & Field – State Meet Placers: 1<sup>st</sup> Place Matthew Minium, Patrick Perry, Aaron McCollum, Jack Sullenger in the 4x100 and Matthew Minium, Patrick Perry, Jack Sullenger, Isaac Averill in the 4x200. Isaac Averill took 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 100 Meters. Taking 3<sup>rd</sup> was: Jack Sullenger, Patrick Perry, Gavin Wallis, Aaron McCollum – 4x400 Meters; Ian Johnson – Discus; Jack Sullenger – Long Jump;

Aaron McCollum – Triple Jump. Borough Meet 1<sup>st</sup> place winners: Isaac Averill - 100 Meters; Matthew Minium, Patrick Perry, Aaron McCollum, Jack Sullenger - Boys 4x100 & 4x200. 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: Aaron McCollum - Triple Jump; Jack Sullenger – Long Jump; Ian Johnson – Disc; Kaitlyn Johnson – Disc. 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Crystal Epperheimer – 100 Meter Hurdles & 300 Meter Hurdles.

**Summer Programs** Summer 2016: RAHI -Savannah Rizzo; Upward Bound - Destiny Owens, Katelyn Moore, Maiya Anderson. Summer 2017: Girls on Ice – Melanie Sexton & Jamie Yerkes; HOBY – Jada Glaves & Kassie Greene; Upward Bound Washington D.C. Leadership Trip – Angela Nunley, Katelyn Moore.

**Awards** Caring for the Kenai Angela Druedow won 2<sup>nd</sup> place for her “Spook the Moose Box” project. Elora Reichert was also in the top 12 finalists.

Middle School Science Teacher, Jake Doth, was featured in an article in *drone 360* magazine.

**Events** Nikiski High School was honored to host holocaust survivor, author and international speaker, Irving Roth. He gave a presentation to the entire student body and many community members attended as well.

The PTSA put on an Evening of the Arts for the community and students’ families. Middle & High Student Councils conducted a school-wide awareness for Breast Cancer and assisted in a Winter Coat Drive.

Martha Peck from APICC made Employability Skills presentations to high school students.

**Community Involvement** The foods class and four community members made 68 pies for the Food Bank to distribute at Thanksgiving. Nikiski Nazarene, and the Nikiski Church of Christ provided for our hospitality rooms for various sports events. We again partnered with the Nikiski Freestyle Wrestling Club and they were able to host another wrestling tournament this year bringing athletes from around the state. Nurse Glynes was able to support many families with food over the weekends with her backpack program & also helps students with school supplies throughout the year.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Nikolaevsk

**Submitted by** Michael Sellers

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- Nikolaevsk continued to produce a 100% plus graduation rate with one student graduating one semester early (December) and one student graduating one full year ahead.
- Vera Fefelov graduated one full year early summa cum laude with a GPA of 4.105.
- Vera Fefelov received a large scholarship to attend Georgetown University. She will be majoring in International Business Regional Studies at the McDonough School of Business with a minor in Russian.
- Brain Whaley will be serving in the United States Air force.
- Nikit Fefelov will be attending AVTEC.
- Justin Trail represented Nikolaevsk at the Alaska State Spelling bee in Anchorage.
- Nikolaevsk School was Runner up for 2017 Inclusive Practice Award, Presented by The Governor's Council on Disabilities and Special Education
- Mike Sellers Jr., Vicky Taylor, Justin Trail, and Clara Stading represented Nikolaevsk at the KPB Middle School Math Meet
- Steve Klaich was nominated for BP Teacher of Excellence
- Robanne Stading presented *Exploring Learning for ALL Learners* (ASTE 2017 and Alaska Statewide SpEd Conference) and *One Book, one World: Global Read Aloud Reflections* at ASTE 2017
- Clara Stading (student) presented *Mystery Skype? It is Mysterious* at ASTE 2017
- Five runners (Four freshman) qualified for and participated at ASAA State Cross Country Running Meet.
- High school mixed 6 volleyball team Denali Conference champions.
- High school mixed 6 volleyball team State ASAA 5<sup>th</sup> place team.
- High school girls' basketball team Peninsula Conference champions.

- High school boys' basketball team Peninsula Conference runner-up.
- High school boys and girls' basketball teams both competed at ASAA State Basketball Tournament
- Middle school volleyball team won the small school tournament
- Steve Klaich served as Region II secretary-treasurer, ASAA board member, KPSAA small school representative and executive board secretary.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Ninilchik

**Submitted by** Ambrosier

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Basketball- Regional and state champions for boys. Austin White Gatorade player of the year. Multiple boys earned all tourney awards for multiple tournaments.

Girls bball- Olivia Delgado all academic team for continuing 4.0 Regional runner up for girls team. Dee Ann White and Olivia Delgado earned multiple all tourney teams

BP recognized Josh Demlow for Teacher of the year nomination.

Josh Demlow and Nick Finley girls and boys basketball regional coach of the year.

Nick Finley 1A coach of the year.

Track- Mikayla Clark qualified for state in discus and shot

Partnership with Project continues to develop and grow. They help us offer a math lab to give interventions to 6-8<sup>th</sup> grade students who are struggling in math. They also offer opportunities for students to attend workshops to develop leadership skills.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Paul Banks Elementary

**Submitted by** Eric Pederson

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Paul Banks Elementary has continued to work at providing a quality educational program that suits the needs of all our students. Some of the accomplishments we had in the 2016-17 school year are listed below:

PBE continues to be a five star school awarded by the State of Alaska as a *highest performing school*. (And will remain forever, until the state changes their rating sytem)

PBE conducted many great community and family nights. These include Bingo for Books, First Friday Art Extravaganza, Family Math and Science Night and Summer Activities Fair.

A week long Read-A-Thon around the theme of Space pushed many of our students into 'full-fledged' readers. The event also brought a lot of positive media press about our school.

This was our first year, of a two year pilot program, where we partnered with the Kenai Peninsula Orchestra and had all of our first graders learn to play violin. This was a huge success for our students and community. It came at no expense of the tax payers' money.

PTA Winter Carnival not only raised a lot of money for the PTA it provided an opportunity for staff to intermingle with parents and students in a fun setting.

The Winter and Spring Musical presentations filled the Homer High School auditorium to the delight of many parents, grandparents and community members. All 1<sup>st</sup> graders also gave a violin performance.

The School took numerous field trips that exposed our students to the great outdoor activities that lay outside their backyard in Kachemak Bay.

The school partnered with 4-H and a local hatchery in the rendering of salmon in the classroom.

This year, we had a number of new staff members. We are still calibrating together while honoring both new ideas and holding strong to the ideals that make PBE a great school.

One of our goals this year was to do more blended learning in the classroom. Due to technical difficulties, we had to adjust our goal. All classroom teachers sent home/posted instructional videos.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Port Graham School

**Submitted by** Nancy Kleine

## Grants:

Art in the Schools Grant, Administered by Bunnell Street Gallery – Artist Gwendolen Chatfield

Chugach Alaska, Inc. Grant for “iPads for Orcas” 1:1 Initiative

Port Graham Corporation Grant – Donations for “iPads for Orcas” 1:1 Initiative

Port Graham Variety Store Grant – Donation for iPad apps

## Awards

Spirit of Youth Runner Up Award – Awarded for “Project X” Rabbit Field to Table Project from 2015-16

Valedictorian – Cambria Parry

KPAA Scholarship – Cambria Parry

UA Scholar – Rick Jager

Project Grad Scholarship – Rick Jager

## Athletic Recognitions

First Ever Middle School and High School Cross Country Running Teams

School-Led Community Running and Biking Club

Voyage to Excellence Bicycling Class in California – Suzanne LaBelle; Cambria Parry

## School Initiatives/Programs

iPads for Orcas - 1:1 iPad technology initiative

Healthy Futures Play Every Day for K-4 – won \$200 award

Walking Program with Pedometers, 100% participation - sponsored by Chugahmiut

Project-Based Learning

- Raised Salmon from eggs; Student Nicholas Meganack “took” eggs from Anchor River with ADF&G
- Raised chickens

Genius Hour: Baking, Survival Skills, Basketball mini-camps, Ukulele practice, school helper

## Employee Recognitions

Devin Michel Way – Apple Teacher; Selected by Apple ConnectED to attend Dallas ConnectED Academy

Colby Way – BP Teacher of Excellence

# Superintendent's Annual Report

**School Name** Razdolna School

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**Submitted by** Tim Whip

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## Outstanding achievements of students, staff, and Razdolna School

- Battle Books 3-4, 5-6,
- Three 12<sup>th</sup> grade graduates
  - One Masonic Award recipient
  - One Presidential Award for Academic Achievement
  - One School Academic Award for Critical Thinking/Perseverance
  - One Project Grad Scholarship
  - UA Scholar recipient
- Eight Kindergarten promotions
- Seven 8<sup>th</sup> grade promotions
- Sports Head of the Bay Coop—Football, Wrestling, Soccer
- Field Trips
  - Elementary trip to Synergy Farms
  - Guided Beach Walk with Project Grade and WWF
  - Pratt Museum
  - HS trip w/Raz students to Peterson Bay (22 Students)
  - Homer Book Store/Public Library
  - Field Days to Razdolna
  - MS/HS from Selo/Ras to HHS Gym
  - K-5 Skiing with John Miles at Lookout Point
- Grades 3-6 (Raz/Selo) went to the Challenger Center
- Parent volunteers: Site Council, field trips/class projects, parent led pre-school
- Dual-language instruction (English/Russian) in grades K1, 2/3
- HS Small Business Seminar w/Brian Zak
- K-12 Swimming Lessons
  - K-5 at the Bay Club w/climbing wall
  - 6-12 at the HHS Pool and Gym
- Teacher led in-service/collaborations w/Razdolna: Dual Language
- Collaboration schedule—focus on Blended Learning, Russian Language, Dual Language, and Daily 5
- Basargin Road/East End Road Cleanup (10 miles)

- After school construction academy at HHS
- Alternative/variance calendar approved by Site Council
- Implemented Sea Grant Activities w/Kachemak Selo School
  - Field Trip to Peterson Bay (26 students, staff)
  - Classroom visits from Henry Reiski (Alaska Coastal Studies)
  - MS Homer Harbor Clean-up w/Alaska Coastal Studies
  - Art workshops w/Debbie Harris
  - Marine Debris cleanup
- Increased student engagement through: Reading Literacy Carnival, Swimming, Skiing at McNeil Canyon, field trips
- HS Construction of cabinets/model boats
- HS Hydroponic – grew basil, lemon grass, and more for fund raiser
- End of Year Seminars K-5
  - Constructed Bird Houses and Flower Boxes
  - Bubble Science
  - Gardening
  - Hiking/Bird Watching (drawing the birds sighted)
  - Photography
  - Nature Crafts
  - Drawing
  - Frisbee Golf

# Superintendent's Annual Report

**School Name** Redoubt Elementary #46

**Submitted by** William Withrow

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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT  
REDOUBT ELEMENTARY  
June 1, 2017

STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS

Redoubt continued focus on its efforts of the implementation of the Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) system this year, and has found great success with it. The staff developed common expectations for student behavior in the school setting, explicitly taught those expectations several times through the year, and focused on acknowledging appropriate student behavior through a variety of individual and school-wide reinforcements. In addition, this year the school expanded our Tier II interventions into its structure. This new approach to student behavior has been an exciting addition to our school.

New staff this year include Robert Stitt, 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, Kumi Shields, school Psychologist Intern & Angie Kenner, Attendance Secretary.

Redoubt teachers nominated for BP teacher of the excellence were; Amy Utecht and Kersten Gomez.

Saying goodbye – Bobbie Baldwin, Mary Helminski and Molly Bauder (retired), Kumi Shields, (moving to K-Beach Elementary), Angie Kenner (moving), Elizabeth Walters, (one year leave of absence) and Nurse Iris (new position, head of Health Services).

STUDENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Masonic Student of the Year – Sydney Steadman

Forensics

Fourth through sixth graders participated in a school-wide forensics program this year. After a performance at Redoubt, winners of the school meet competed at the borough level in March.

Redoubt Spelling Bee

Classroom spelling champions from grades 4, 5, and 6 participated in the school spelling bee, Regan Evans won the competition.

National Geographic Geography Bee

Emma Hunter was Redoubt's geography bee champion and represented Redoubt at the state level. Grades 4, 5, and 6 participated.

Battle of the Books

Redoubt's 3rd/4th grade and 5th/6th grade teams participated in the Battle of the Books competition this spring.

Math Bowl

Redoubt students participated in the District Math Bowl competition.

PEAKS Testing

Redoubt testing window this school year was March 28<sup>th</sup>-April 28<sup>th</sup>. Students were encouraged to get lots of sleep, eat a good breakfast and be on time for school.

### PBIS Program

Students and staff were active participants in the school's PBIS program. Students earned tickets by demonstrating respectful, responsible, and safe behaviors. Students who earned five tickets in one week received a card to work towards a school goal.

Redoubt has reached full implementation of the tier two PBIS program, check-in/check-out. This year Redoubt's celebrations, included game day, snow day, fun activities in classrooms and a school wide extended outside recess day were planned as students reached school goals.

### COCURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

#### Intramural Program

Redoubt's intramural sports program is an excellent program promoting fitness, skills acquisition, good sportsmanship and team spirit. Fourth through sixth graders participated in team sports throughout the school year consisting of soccer, archery, flag football co-ed, and trash ball and crazy intramurals (student's choice).

#### Band

Redoubt offered a beginning band program for 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. Advanced 6<sup>th</sup> grade band students participated in Skyview Middle School's Concert Band program throughout the school year.

### COMMUNITY SUPPORT

#### Volunteer Involvement and Recognition

Volunteer involvement at Redoubt is active and successful, recognized May 8<sup>th</sup> with a special lunch in the staff lounge for all of our volunteers. Each volunteer enjoyed a wonderful lunch and gift in appreciation for all of their time and talents.

#### Community Organizations

Local community organizations such as the VFW, Soldotna Rotary, Jumpin' Junction for donating their jump house for our three Fun Fests and Soldotna Elks Club provide funds for needy students as well as activities for students.

#### Local businesses continue to provide support.

Numerous local businesses provide support through donations of student rewards/prizes, etc. for various activities. Fred Myer Rewards program and Safeway E-Scrip Program have been an invaluable support to our school. Coca-Cola of Alaska donated coke products for Redoubt Fun Fests and end of year school picnic.

#### CES Fire Safety

The staff at Central Emergency Services provided fire safety education in classrooms. Soldotna Police Department for Dare training and ALICE training.

Bike Rodeo – Redoubt staff, PTA, Soldotna Fire Department and Safe Kids partnered for the annual Bike Rodeo community event May 18<sup>th</sup>. Bike safety checks were conducted, free popsicles were provided by Redoubt PTA and bike helmets were available to purchase at a low cost of \$5.00 by

the Safe Kids organization. This community event was well attended by volunteers and bike enthusiasts.

### Junior Achievement

Classroom volunteers from all walks of life, including: business people, college students, parents and retirees, spent the day visiting classrooms (K-6) throughout the day giving students the knowledge and skills they need to own their economic success, plan for their futures, and make smart academic and economic choices.

## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT AND SERVICE

### Food Bank Fundraiser and Holiday Kindness Program

Redoubt staff and students ran numerous projects to make the holidays brighter for the community. A successful canned food drive and fundraiser collected non-perishable food and money for the local food bank during Thanksgiving.

Redoubt families received holiday dinners provided by Soldotna Rotary and gifts at Christmas through PTA's Holiday Kindness Program. Thirty Redoubt Families were sponsored this year.

Jump Rope for Heart – students learned about the importance of heart health while at the same time having fun jumping rope and raising money for the American Heart Association.

### Healthy Futures FK-6<sup>th</sup> graders

Students were challenged to make and log their healthy choices the month of April. Students turn their completed log to Mr. Joachim and received a special healthy prize.

### Backpack Program

In partnership with the Soldotna Church of Christ Redoubt staff filled over 30 backpacks with non-perishable food each week. Students pick up their filled backpack each Friday and returned their empty backpack the following Monday. This program is a huge success. This was Redoubt's 2<sup>nd</sup> year providing needy families. We plan to continue the program in the fall.

### Family Activities

A variety of family activities were offered, including a Family Fun Run, Walk your Child to School Day, family reading nights, family game night, Love of Reading Month activities, a Halloween parade, Family Math and Science Night & Bingo for Books.

### One School One Book

*THE ENORMOUS EGG* -Every family in the school received a copy of *The Enormous Egg* and we all read the same book, one chapter a night. There were trivia questions each morning with prizes for the winner of the trivia contest drawing each day.

### Book Fairs

Three book fairs were held this year.

### Dr. Seuss's Birthday

Dr. Seuss's birthday was celebrated Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> this year. Students and staff enjoyed guest readers and other fun actives.

Summer Reading Program – This reading program keeps students engaged in reading over the summer months. Students log their reading minutes over the summer. Reading forms are returned to school in the fall. All students will receive a T-shirt and be entered in a reading contest (most minutes logged). A school wide assembly is held in the fall to recognize all of the students who read and turned in a reading log. This program has become an annual and successful event at Redoubt. Sponsored by Soldotna Rotary.

Elf Shelf

This is an annual PTA sponsored program that offers students a holiday shopping opportunity.

Box Top & Campbell Soup Labels Fundraiser

Redoubt PTA redeems box tops & soup labels for money for our school. Students who bring in box tops & soup labels are entered into a weekly drawing.

Fred Myer Community Rewards

Redoubt is a registered school at Fred Myer Community Reward Program. Each time a registered user make a purchase Redoubt receives a percent of the sale.

Halloween Parade

Students, staff and parents enjoyed the school wide Halloween parade in the school gym. Students and staff enjoyed showing off their creative Halloween costumes to parents and visitors.

Winter Carnival

Redoubt PTA sponsored Redoubt 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Winter Carnival February 25<sup>th</sup> 2017. This was a community event, a variety of games booths along with a silent auction and raffles were held. Funds were raised for student equipment.

Kenai River Cleanup Day

Redoubt's 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade students participated in the 4th annual Kenai River Cleanup Day. Redoubt students picked up over 1,500 Lbs of trash. Participating students (176) from Redoubt each received a new rod and reel combo from the Kenai River Professional Guide Assoc. (KRPGA) and the Soldotna Chamber of Commerce, sponsors of this event. Redoubt continues to hold first place in this fun activity.

Pre-K School Board Meeting

Mrs. Oberts and Redoubt's pre-k class gave an entertaining presentation at the February 6<sup>th</sup> school board meeting.

*OTHER POINTS OF INTEREST*

Boys and Girls Club

We hosted their after-school program at Redoubt again this school year. Boys and Girls Club provided a program of academic help, crafts, physical activity, and snacks for students after school until 6:00 pm every school day. Clubhouse manager, Johnathan Nagasako did a fantastic job.

Fun Fest

This popular, after-school mini-carnival was held three times this year. Students paid \$4 to participate in a wide variety of crafts and games. Refreshments were sold by the PTA.

### Public Performance Site License (Movie Licensing)

This is the 2<sup>nd</sup> year under the direction of the KPBSD Redoubt was able to obtain a public license to show licensed movies in the school during student reward days and or for fundraising purposes. This is an annual renewable license.

### Powerschool

Powerschool is an important tool in our effort to maintain excellent communication with parents. Many parents are using Powerschool to access student and school information.

By utilizing School Messenger, we are able to communicate with parents by email (weekly school newsletter) and by voicemail (reminder of early release days and other important school information).

### School Blog

Our school blog is active and continues to provide parents easy access to school activity information, forms, newsletters, school supply lists, photos and more.

### Redoubt Weekly Newsletter

Each week a weekly newsletter is published and sent home with students. Besides a paper copy the school newsletter is posted on our school website and sent electronically to all parents and guardians via Power School Messenger.

### End of Year Activities

Redoubt ended a successful school year with field day, a school picnic, and student awards assemblies.

Science Fair – Grades 4th-6th hosted their annual science fair in the school gym along with grades 1st-3rd ecosystem project, this school wide collaboration Included toothpick bridges, egg drops and other exciting science projects.

### Help Counter

This was Redoubt's sixth school year using Help Counter. This valuable internet based program continues to prove its worth by providing an excellent means tracking visitors, volunteers and students as they enter and exit our school. This program has become an essential tool at Redoubt.

### Building Improvements

The large wall in the front hallway was painted in preparation of the STEAM project/program for 2017-2018 school year.



# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** River City Academy

**Submitted by** Dawn Edwards-Smith

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## Community

- Students volunteered at the Redoubt Elementary, Soldotna Montessori, Sterling Community Center Annual Auction/Dinner, Soldotna Library, and Kenai Middle School.
- Students organized Tech Mentoring weeks at Soldotna Montessori – teaching Google Docs, Sheets and Mail to 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> grade students in two classrooms.

## Academic

- Model United Nations – Sent three teams to UAA – including one team who represented Palestine and tried a case on the International Criminal Court (ICC).
- Implemented Humanities Classes for upper high school – combined ELA & AK Studies/Gov and US History with good success.
- Student reflection progress videos at the end of each quarter for more than 80% of our kids
- Began the journey of a digital parallel with instruction for all core classes
- World History Classes hosted our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Human Rights Summit
- ELA Classes held two successful debate weeks
- Students participated in our 7<sup>th</sup> Annual RCA Poetry Slam
- 20% juniors and seniors participated in Jumpstart at KPC earning a total of 48 college credits

## Extra-Curricular

- 17% of students participate in extra-curricular activities at their neighborhood school,

## Graduates

- 12 students graduated from RCA this year – our largest graduate class ever!
- 75% of graduates have applied and been accepted to college as part of their post-high school plan
- Graduates were awarded over \$45,000 in scholarships

# Superintendent's Annual Report 2017

**School Name** William H. Seward Elementary School

**Submitted by** Mr. David Kingsland

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## **School**

Bluegrass and Casa De Flores Music Concerts  
Hour of Code  
School Yard Habitat Project  
School Library - Birthday Book Program  
Sea Week in cooperation with the SeaLife Center  
After School Program - Running, Soccer, Basketball,  
X-country skiing, Volleyball, Forensics, Intro to Musical Instruments  
Salmon Husbandry with Alaska Fish and Game  
Two Library Book Fairs  
Swimming Lessons: Kindergarten – 5th grade  
Books and Bingo  
Veterans Day Program  
Winter/Spring Music Programs  
Jump Rope for Heart  
Field Day  
Muffins for Moms and Donuts for Dads  
Family Night  
First, and Second Grade Science Fair  
LEGO Robotics  
Battle of the Books and Forensics  
Migrant Education Afterschool Tutoring Program  
AK Healthy Futures Challenge *Play Everyday* Fall and Spring Challenges  
4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade Quarterly Showcases  
Maker Monday with 4/5 students in the library at lunch  
Poem in Your Pocket Day / Nat'l Poetry Month  
Pizza Hut Book it Program  
Mind A-Mazes  
Trimathalon  
District Film Festival

**Staff**

BP Teachers of Excellent Nominated Teachers

Leigh Ray

Alexis Kaferstein

Carrie Lunardi

**Students**

Spelling Bee

Geography Bee

Emblem Club Essay Contest Winners

State Jr. Native Youth Olympics

**Community Partners**

Boys and Girls Club

Emblem Club

PTA

Lions' Club

Kenai Fjords National Park

Major Marine Tours

Alaska SeaLife Center

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Qutekcak Native Tribe

Seward Teen and Youth Center

Seward Parks and Rec.

Seward Community Library and Museum

Rotary Club

1<sup>st</sup> National Bank

Kenai Mountains Turnagain Arm National Heritage Area

Coast Guard

Seward/Bear Creek Fire Depts.

Seward Mural Society

Seward Community Health Center

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Seward High School

**Submitted by** Trevan Walker

Seward High continues to be a strong presence in local, regional, and state academic, athletic, and artistic competitions and local performances. 121 of 181 students were involved in at least one organized co-curricular activity. With many students involved in multiple sports and clubs, there were 369 total participants in all of the activities offered at Seward High. This represents 204% student co-curricular participation.

Seward High Girls' Cross Country post a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish at state. The Boys placed fifth. Hunter Kratz was the State Runner-Up and Ruby Lindquist finished third at the State Championships

The Boy's Football team won the Conference Championship for the first time since 2002

Mylie Moriarty and Tia Miranda made the All-Region Volleyball Team.

9 of Seward High's 24 wrestlers qualified for the State Meet. The team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in Regions.

Sullivan Hauze, Ayla Lapinskis, and Ashley Jackson were named to the All-Region Basketball Team.

Ruby Lindquist was the Small School State Champion in Nordic Skiing.

Coral Petrosius was the State Champion in High Jump. The Boy's 4 X 400 Meter relay team, made up of Nik Pahnno, Zen Petrosius, Beau Frieberg, and Connor Spanos were State Champions. Ruby Lindquist was the State Runner-Up in the 1600 Meter Race.

Kyrsten Johnson-Gray and Dairy Terry placed 6th in Caring for the Kenai

The Seward High Arts Department created the décor for the Seward Music and Arts Festival and won prizes at the annual KPBSD Art Show.

UAV flyers continued work for the Seward Area Flood Board, mapping Sawmill Creek.

The greenhouse produced over 40lbs of greens, tomatoes, peppers, cucumbers, peas, green beans, and carrots were delivered to Student Nutrition Services.

Khan Academy was implemented to personal learning in Algebra, Advanced Algebra, Algebraic Modeling, Statistics, and Geometry. By raising the bar, students filled holes in their learning, explored concepts on a deeper level, and ventured into untaught territory.

Battle of the Books managed to beat several larger schools on the Peninsula before just missing the cut for the final round.

The AV club used a \$1,000.00 grant to buy a professional camcorder. This was the first year we were able to stream live sporting events to the public.

Seward High's Outdoor Club went sea kayaking, sledding, hiking around frozen waterfalls, tromping around in the woods and on the beach! Students, staff, children and pets of staff all were able to participate.

8 students successfully completed a welding academy in partnership with AVTEC.

Stephanie Cronin was named the Alaska State Teacher of the Year Runner-Up and the Kenai Peninsula BP Teacher of the Year.

**Guest speakers:**

Mike Insalaco-Alaska Efficient Energy Solutions

Jack Jacob, MD

Kelly Moore, Nurse

Yolanda Ifflander, Nurse

Chrissy Forgione—Sea View Community Services

Stacey Schaffer—Apex Gym

Elizabeth Johnson—AVTEC Culinary

**Field Trips:**

Alaska Alternative Energy Fair (not sure if that's the correct title)

Visit to a local building that is powered entirely with solar & wind. Students performed battery maintenance

Anatomy & Physiology: Field trip to cadaver lab, nursing skills lab, and simulation lab at UAA

**Classroom Volunteers:**

Steve Fink—helped engineering students with computer programming

Joevahnta Usugan-Weddington—tutored math students

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Seward Middle School (14)

**Submitted by** A. Rothenberger

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Seward Middle School witnessed a number of outstanding achievements in 16-17, including:

## **Notable Academic and Grant Achievements:**

- Japanese Language and Culture Exploratory
- Maker Space Exploratory and Project Lead the Way
- International Teacher Exchange Program
- Salmon Raising Project
- Art for Parks Project
- Heifer International Read to Feed Fundraiser
- Four Drama Productions
- Digital Stories and Reader's Theater
- Personalized Learning through Canvas
- Arts for Parks Program and the National Park Service
- Coats for Kids—Seward Rotary Club
- May School Board Catering—Seward Middle Foods Class and Captain Jacks
- Technology Mini-Grant—Seward Community Foundation
- AVTEC Art Showcase
- Eight Music Productions with Dr. Turner
- ALICE Emergency Drills
- Student Leadership Team Activity Nights, Fundraisers and Spirit Weeks
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place in Mind Amazes
- Project Guitars Class
- Brave New Voices Poetry Slam Workshop—Homer Council of the Arts and Dasha and Kima Hamilton
- Holiday Strings Performance
- Blended Learning Symposium (iNACOL)
- SLT Canned Food Drive
- 1<sup>st</sup> Place Trimathalon

- 26 Students of the Month
- Quarterly Honor Roll
- UAF and Seward Marine Center Science in Schools
- Math Bowl Placer—Max Pfeiffenberger
- 10-8<sup>th</sup> Graders Receiving HS Algebra Credit
- 9-8<sup>th</sup> Graders Receiving HS Geometry Credit
- Student Created Yearbook
- Kenai Fjords Tours Marine Science Program
- Two Seward Music Collective Productions
- Ice Fishing
- Challenger Center—PTSA Grant Award
- Algae Study at Fourth of July Creek
- Life Alaska Organ and Tissue Presentation
- Anchorage Covenant House Presentation
- District-Wide Syrian Refugee Presentation
- Blue Vs. Silver Clash of Clans
- Two 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Overnight

**Notable Athletic Achievements:**

- Skyview Wrestling Invitational Rubber Chicken Award
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Boys Basketball
- State Archery Competition
- Discuss Champion
- Six “6 Minute Mile Club” T-Shirts
- Seventeen “7 Minute Mile Club” T-Shirts

## **Superintendent's Annual Report 2016-2017**

**School Name** Skyview Middle School

**Submitted by** Sarge Truesdell, Principal & Jill DuFloth, Assistant Principal

Skyview Middle School is a comprehensive middle school with an enrollment of 411 full time students in seventh and eighth grade. This past year, SMS continued to provide a full array of elective courses such as band, choir, art, technology, vocational education, and foreign language. SMS also provided many opportunities for students that needed additional supports as well as enrichment. Specific forms of aid that Skyview has offered are sections of reading, math, and language arts remediation to students who scored below the 30<sup>th</sup> percentile on the Edperformance assessments. In addition, SMS had a part-time Quality Schools tutor in the building who directly serviced over 67 SMS students on a daily basis. Skyview also continued to provide a morning school tutoring program, with 53 students participating during the first through the third quarters. Additionally, the Title VI program continued to be beneficial in assisting Alaska Native students increased their academic performance as well as to help build stronger connections with school. Skyview has also strived to enhance and enrich the academic experience of students that are advanced in areas such as language arts, geometry and algebra. Lastly, this was the second year Skyview has employed FOL, or Focus on Learning. This is a time at the end of the day was designed to help students by offering them the opportunity to sign-up for additional help from teachers to improve their academic scores, as well as has afforded the opportunity for enrichment and exploration in a variety of activities and coursework. This class time has continued to garner positive feedback from teachers, parents, and students.

### **Staff Accomplishments**

This was the sixth year with Mr. Sarge Truesdell as the principal Skyview Middle School. His progress-oriented leadership guided the Site Council, staff, students through another successful year. Skyview's assistant principal, Jill DuFloth, gained experience in her second year working with students, staff, and parents. For 2016-2017, Skyview Middle School brought on-board four new teachers to the staff: three core-area teachers as well as one special services teacher. Skyview also had three staff members whose names were submitted for the BP Teachers of Excellence Award: Krystalynn Scott, Matt Fischer, and David Patat, were recognized by the students and families they serve. Lastly, Skyview Middle School has continued to do the important work of collaboration and student-centered instruction within its established PLC teams. Skyview's schedule has been arranged so that teachers are provided collaboration time to meet and focus on student learning and achievement. Teachers are able to discuss standards, goals and objectives, create common assessments, analyze data, and share instructional best-practices. Teachers have used common prep times, weekly PLC meeting times, and district early-release afternoons, to accomplish their PLC tasks and goals. Creating high-functioning PLC's with the objective of higher student achievement and learning is an ongoing endeavor at Skyview. Next year, we will build upon this work within the wider scope of Personalized Learning.

### **Ramp School**

This year, Skyview Middle School and its counselor, Natalie Kant, was recognized as a ASCA Model Program (RAMP) school. The RAMP designation, awarded for aligning with the criteria in the ASCA National Model, recognizes schools that are committed to delivering a comprehensive, data-driven school counseling program and an exemplary educational environment. These schools use data to drive their program development and implementation so all students can achieve success. RAMP designation distinguishes these schools and encourages school counselors nationwide to strive for excellence. This year 104 schools from 27 states will receive this designation. All RAMP schools will be honored at a recognition ceremony

at ASCA's annual conference in Denver, Colo. on Monday, July 10, 2017, for making an exemplary commitment to comprehensive school counseling programs.

**Masonic Student of the Year:** Katherine Delker

**Masonic Student of the Year Nominees:** Katherine Delker, Zach Burns, Olivia Davis, Nicholas McConnell and Grace Wahl

**SMS Spelling Bee Winner:** Angela Iraheta Sorto

**Geography Bee Winner:** Olivia Davis

**Outstanding Band Student of the Year:** Nicholas McConnell

**Outstanding Choir Student of the Year:** Katherine Delker

**Golden Hammer (Vocational Award):** Pavel Reutov

**Outstanding PE Students of the Year:** Willow Sproats and Aldon Burns

**Outstanding Student Council Members:** Addison Beck and Nicholas McConnell

**Best of Show Art Award Winner:** Chloe Driskell

**Winner of the Kenai Refuge Outdoor Refuge Camp Scholarship:** Giovanni Rigutto

**Battle of the Books Team-4<sup>th</sup> Place:** Margie Brown, Quinten Cox, Ivy Daly, Rhiley Halverson, Nicholas McConnell, Gannon McMillan

**Middle School Math Meet Team:** Justin Hansen, Josie Moore, Naomi Fredrickson, Nate Johnson, Logan Cotton, Ivy Daly, Tristan Edmonson, Rhiley Halverson, Quinten Cox

**Chamber of Commerce Students of the Month-2014-15:**

August/September 2016 – Nicholas McConnell – 8<sup>th</sup>

October 2016 – Ava Grossl – 7<sup>th</sup>

November 2016 – Katherine Delker – 8<sup>th</sup>

December 2016 – Joshua Jelliff – 7<sup>th</sup>

January 2017 –Margie Brown– 8<sup>th</sup>

February 2017 – Adarra Hagelund– 7<sup>th</sup>

March 2017 – Ethan Evans– 8<sup>th</sup>

April 2017 – Brooklyn Chadburn – 7<sup>th</sup>

**Perfect Attendance:**

Jacob Belger, Carson Dement, Hanna Giugler, Justin Hansen, Elyse Ledda, Olivia Davis, Angel Howlett, Jaron Kenner, Austin Matheson

**4.0 G.P.A. (Entire year)**

7<sup>th</sup> Grade:

Chloe Cullen

Montana Fischer

Naomi Frederickson

Caleigh Glassmaker

Noah Harper

Kaidence Harvey

Gabrielle Lane

Josephine Moore

Bethany Richmond

Jordan Strausbaugh

Isabella Valenzuela

8<sup>th</sup> Grade:

Erika Arthur

Ashlyn Asp

Madelyn Barkman

Zachary Burns

Molly Cook

Olivia Davis

Katherine Delker

Ethan Evans

Carson Fischer

Ryder Giesler

Kaytee Hackett

Sierra Kuntz

Nicholas McConnell

Abby Radeck

Grace Wahl

**Reading, Mathematics, and Language**

**Arts Remediation**

In order to better meet the academic needs and challenges of our students, Skyview Middle School has classes in place that are designed to remediate areas of academic deficit before students move on to high school. Skyview has Reading, Mathematics, and Language Arts

intervention classes that are centered on programing such as Read 180, Scholastic Scope, IXL Math and IXL Language Arts. Students in these courses are provided additional time and more in-depth instruction in order to solidify conceptual understanding and build-up deficit skills. Students are benchmarked and progress monitored with the goal of attaining proficiency.

### **Enrichment and High School Credit Offerings**

Skyview also seeks to enrich the educational experience of advanced learners. In addition to the Algebra course offering that has been available in the past, Skyview has now begun to offer students Geometry coursework also. The availability of these two mathematics classes for high school credit have not only enabled the school to personalize to the needs of the advanced learner, but also afford the opportunity for students to earn high school credit. Another opportunity that was piloted at Skyview this year was the offer of an online health course for high school credit. This was a pilot program, however, outcomes were met and feedback was positive. Skyview students were able to participate in challenging coursework, as well as earn credit. Students left Skyview with a range of high school credits: some students earned a half-credit, and some earned as many as four credits. This has enabled them to get a jump-start on their high school experience and will expand their future coursework opportunities.

### **Student Council**

The Student Council at Skyview Middle School continues to provide enriching experiences for our students while caring for our community. The student council is an inclusive program under the guidance and direction of Sheila-Margaret Pothast. This group plans and organizes activities such as the quarterly student activity nights. They volunteered for setting up and taking down the events, helped choose themes and ordered decorations, undertook deejay responsibilities, and organized alternate activities and games. Student attendance and feedback demonstrated the success of the events and this student involvement will continue to provide positive, fun opportunities for students in a safe and caring environment.

SMS Student Council members also demonstrated support and involvement in our community by sponsoring several fund-raising activities. A food-drive was held for the Kenai Peninsula Food Bank where 1,234 lbs. of food was donated. In addition, a Penny Drive was held in which students raised \$840 for the KPBSD's Students in Transition Program. This amount was supplemented with an additional donation by generous members of the staff that made the total amount \$1000. Finally, the student council also held a bake sale raising \$676.27 to benefit the Kilbuck School which lost their building to a fire this year.

### **6<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Day**

In early May, young people arrived at Skyview Middle School from our six feeder-schools: K-Beach Elementary, Sterling Elementary, Tustumena Elementary, Redoubt Elementary, Soldotna Elementary, and Montessori, to spend the day on campus. This was the second year we have used this format. The purpose of this event was to give new students a glimpse of what the "Skyview Experience" was all about. Students took part in a number of activities including, swimming, bingo, scavenger hunt, trivia, a fashion show and lunch. While participating, students also were able to experience meeting new people, learning locker combinations, class routes & school layout, tips for success, meeting staff and teachers, and let's not forget—fun! Feedback from students and staff was positive and has made students more comfortable making a successful transition to middle school.

### **Extra-Curricular Sports**

Skyview Middle School continued to offer its traditional athletic program in 2015-16. With over 400 participants in Soccer, Cross Country Running, Basketball, Wrestling, Cross Country Skiing, Volleyball, and Track & Field.

### **Borough Champs:**

Cross-Country Skiing: Sonora Martin  
Track (146 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders participated!)

1<sup>st</sup> Places at boroughs—Boys and Girls

- Austin Adlam—1<sup>st</sup> place member Boys 4x200 Relay
- Ellie Burns-1<sup>st</sup> place Girls 400 m, 1<sup>st</sup> place Girls 800 m
- Zachary Burns-1<sup>st</sup> place Boys 400 m, 1<sup>st</sup> place member of Boys 4x200 Relay, 1<sup>st</sup> place member of Boys 4x400 Relay
- Rhys Cannava--1<sup>st</sup> place member of Girls 4x100 Relay
- Drysta Crosby-Schneider--1<sup>st</sup> place member Girls 4x200 Relay
- Dylan Dahlgren—1<sup>st</sup> place Boys Discus
- Austin Escott--1<sup>st</sup> place member of Boys 4x200 Relay, 1<sup>st</sup> place member of Boys 4x400 Relay
- Autumn Fischer—1<sup>st</sup> place Girls Shot Put
- Caleigh Glassmaker--1<sup>st</sup> place member of Girls 4x100 Relay, 1<sup>st</sup> place member Girls 4x200 Relay
- Sierra Kuntz-1<sup>st</sup> place Girls Hurdles, 1<sup>st</sup> place member of Girls 4x100 Relay
- Mikayla Leadens—1<sup>st</sup> place member of Girls 4x100 Relay, 1<sup>st</sup> place member Girls 4x200 Relay
- Trenton O'Reagan—1<sup>st</sup> place member Boys 4x200 Relay
- Ricardo Rincon--1<sup>st</sup> place Boys Shot Put, 1<sup>st</sup> place member of Boys 4x400 Relay
- Jordan Spies -1<sup>st</sup> place Boys Triple Jump, 1<sup>st</sup> place member of Boys 4x400 Relay
- Jolie Widaman—1<sup>st</sup> place member Girls 4x200 Relay
- Aiden Willets--1<sup>st</sup> place member of Boys 4x400 Relay

Wrestling – 1<sup>st</sup> place team boroughs

Weight-class champions--Oliver Barnes, 80 Brock Poe, 105 Zack Burns, 132 Joshua Jelliff, 155 Austin Adlam, 167 Max Rogers, 190

Girls Soccer—1<sup>st</sup> place boroughs

Boys Soccer – 1<sup>st</sup> place boroughs

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Soldotna Elementary

**Submitted by** Austin Stevenson

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Soldotna Elementary focused on forming relationships with business and community organizations during the 2016-2017 school year. Throughout the year, teachers made a concerted effort to invite members of the public to special events and to present in their classes. In addition to our existing relationships with local organizations, the University of Alaska, state police, civil rights leaders, and many local businesses all accepted our invitations to come and participate in events at Soldotna Elementary. These partnerships benefitted the Soldotna Elementary by broadening students' experiences and exposure to opportunities. In addition to these partnerships, each week, Soldotna Elementary is supported by 90 volunteer hours. These volunteers faithfully support our children by assisting teachers with academic instruction, completing clerical tasks, and by supporting students' relational needs.

Soldotna Elementary continues to have a robust athletic and activity program. Gymnastics and basketball drew over 100 student participants. Engineering club and homework club drew over 100 different students as well. Thirty students participated in the Forensics Competition. Soldotna Elementary participated in the Kenai River and Soldotna Creek Clean in 2017. Sixty-two students participated and performed in the Soldotna Elementary talent show. This year, the Soldotna Elementary Battle of the Books team was a districtwide finalist. Also this year, each month, Soldotna Elementary sets aside time to celebrate perfect attendance during an awards ceremony. Over 750 students received perfect attendance awards resulting in an improved attendance rate of 92.3%.

## Superintendent's Annual Report 16-17

School Name Soldotna High School

Submitted by Tony Graham

Please list the outstanding achievements of students, staff and/or your school for the past year. It is important that you share the following information; grants awarded, districtwide, statewide and national academic awards, regional and state athletic titles, special schoolwide projects, etc. It is not necessary to list each member of a team or group unless it is pertinent to an individual award. Your submission may not be longer than two (2) pages in length. This electronic form must be emailed to Debbie Tressler on or before June 1.

Soldotna High School has completed another great year. SoHi's Afterschool Media Center (7:30 am – 5:00 pm) has been another successful year for students needing a place to work and/or needing additional support after the regular school day.

Soldotna High School continues with its great success in athletics and activities. Listed below are this year's accomplishments:

- \* SoHi Teacher James Harris won Teacher of the year for the State of Alaska.
- \* One of SoHi art students had their own show on display at Kaladi Brothers.
- \* SoHi had four art students have their work displayed in Peter Micciche's Senate Office.
- \* SoHi had two student's art work chosen to be part of the Alaska Council of School Administrators art show in Juneau.
- \* SoHi sophomore was awarded 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the state for her art work.
- \* Soldotna Bible Chapel and Mission Aviation Repair Center local community organizations volunteered weekly with our SALT program.
- \* Battle of the Books placed 2<sup>nd</sup> this year at KPBSD.
- \* SoHi Football won the state championship for the medium school for 5<sup>th</sup> straight year in a row. At least 15 players from the team received awards this season and Coach won coach of the year award.
- \* SoHi's Students in Transition Drive was a success. SoHi collected over \$170 for our students in need in the KPBSD district.
- \* SoHi SkillsUSA members did awesome at the District CTSO Conference AND in Anchorage! The school won the Most Employable School award.
- \* SoHi skiers participated in the Tour of Anchorage North American ski marathon. 800 plus skiers participated and 9 students from SoHi placed.
- \* Cinderella's Closet was a huge success providing students with dresses and items from around the Peninsula.
- \* SoHi/Prep had over 22 students participate in the art show at the Kenai Art Guild. They earned 5 out of 9 possible first places.
- \* Soldotna High School students won more than \$1,000,000 in scholarship money this year again. With some big \$10,000-\$20,000 amounts awarded. We also had a Coca-Cola Scholar winner from SOHI. Two of the Alaska semi-finalists were from Soldotna High School.
- \* During the Thanksgiving food drive, SoHi students collected enough food to give full meals to over 75 families. Not only did they donate from within their family, they went to the community to get community involvement with this effort.
- \* We had several top five place winners in State track as well as two state champions. State champion in Boys 400 meter and Boys discus!
- \* Girls Softball placed second in regions again and is heading back to the state softball tournament for the second year in a row.

Soldotna High School strives for excellence and has the goal of leading our School District on the path of continual improvement. Thanks for a great year!

# Superintendent's Annual Report

**School Name** Soldotna Montessori Charter School

**Submitted by** Mo Sanders

Please list the outstanding achievements of students, staff and/or your school for the past year. It is important that you share the following information; grants awarded, districtwide, statewide and national academic awards, regional and state athletic titles, special schoolwide projects, etc. It is not necessary to list each member of a team or group unless it is pertinent to an individual award. Your submission may not be longer than two (2) pages in length. This electronic form must be emailed to Debbie Tressler, Administrative Secretary for the Superintendent, on or before June 1.

Our mission is to prepare students to become citizens with a global perspective and to enrich their academics and social awareness within a Montessori environment.

Achieving this mission is dependent on high-quality, Montessori-trained teachers and staff:

**Teacher Training:**

2016 -17 Teacher Training for Montessori: Two teachers continued their second year of enrollment in a 29-month Montessori certification training. One teacher completed the second of a 2-part course focusing on teaching students with special needs in a Montessori context.

In alignment with Montessori practices of hands-on learning, participating in field studies, understanding and gaining a deep respect for the natural world, and engaging in community service, our students participated in:

- Nine-week volunteer support at the Kenai Peninsula Food Bank: all fifth graders
- Nine-week volunteer support at Bishop's Attic: fourth graders
- Nine-week project developing a Mini Food Pantry for the City of Soldotna: all sixth graders
- Nine-week project constructing reusable shopping bags out of used t-shirts. Bags were distributed to local food banks.
- A fund-raising carnival for Renee Powell, head custodian for our building, was sponsored by our 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade students. Students raised just over \$1200 to offset costs for Renee's kidney transplant.
- The PTO matched pennies brought in by students to make a total of just over \$350 to support costs for Renee Powell's kidney transplant.
- Leave No Trace Environmental Camp for all 4<sup>th</sup> -6<sup>th</sup> graders

- UAF Field Station at Kasitsna Bay Overnight Studies for all 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes
- Sixth Grade Swimming Lessons for two weeks in April
- 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> grade Band
- 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir
- Field Studies at all grade levels
- Challenger Center Missions for Fifth and Sixth Grades
- Adopt-a-Stream: monthly monitoring of Soldotna Creek: all 4<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> grades
- Maintained a raised-bed garden for the school and worked with Kenai Soil & Water Conservation District to improve the school grounds by adding bird houses.
- Harvested potatoes, beets, turnips. Most potatoes were used for a Baked Potato Bar at the annual APC Parent meeting night on International Peace Day in September.
- 4<sup>th</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade students had the opportunity to participate in an after-school Robotics Program

Other Accomplishments:

Conscious Discipline is a school-wide program designed to promote self-regulation and connection. It is directly aligned to Montessori principles of maintaining a focused state of mind, and creating global understanding, tolerance, and self-direction.

- 7 Staff Members participated as members of the SMCS Conscious Discipline Action Team (CDAT)
- Conscious Discipline implementation continued with professional development for all staff/all classrooms
- All students in grades k-6 participated in daily 30-minute social skills mini-lessons for the first 3 weeks of school

Battle of the Books for Grades K-2 and 3-4.

State Spelling Bee – school champion represented SMCS at the State Bee

QUEST students participated in Future Problem Solving, Mind-Amazes, Wonderworks Robotics Online Competition, district Trimathalon at Mt. View Elementary, district Math Bowl in Homer

**Parent Volunteers:**

Volunteers contributed over 1200 hours at SMCS this year.

Two parents volunteered over 100 hours each. One community member volunteered over 112 hours.

**Academic Policy Committee:**

The SMCS Academic Policy Committee, a nine member committee established by state statute to oversee the charter school curriculum, met six times during the year from August through June. Agendas and minutes are posted at the school and electronically on the school blog.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Soldotna Prep School

**Submitted by** Curtis Schmidt, Principal

Please list the outstanding achievements of students, staff and/or your school for the past year. It is important that you share the following information; grants awarded, districtwide, statewide and national academic awards, regional and state athletic titles, special schoolwide projects, etc. It is not necessary to list each member of a team or group unless it is pertinent to an individual award. Your submission may not be longer than two (2) pages in length. This electronic form must be emailed to Debbie Tressler, Administrative Secretary, on or before June 1.

Soldotna Prep School is a 9<sup>th</sup> Grade academy that works hand in hand with Soldotna High School. Soldotna Prep has an enrollment of 192 full time students all of whom are in the 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Soldotna Prep offers appropriate grade level courses in Language Arts, Biology, Pre-Algebra, Algebra, Geometry, and Alaska History. SPS provides a full array of elective courses for 9<sup>th</sup> graders such as Geography, Sport Specific Training, Lifetime Activities, Health, Band, Choir, Art, Ceramics, Technology, Vocational Education, and Spanish I. SPS also works in conjunction with KPBSD Distance Delivery to offer students access to curriculum not offered in our traditional program or as an option to the classroom setting. Students accessed course work in Algebra, Computer Applications, Employability Skills, Health, Geography, Geometry, and Foreign Language. Soldotna Prep implemented a daily schedule and teaching assignments that contributed to the success demonstrated this year. Teachers are organized into core teams with one history, math, science, and language arts teacher per 100 (approx.) students. The four teachers work as a team and have a common prep time where they meet periodically together to develop and plan core teaching methods as well as design interventions for struggling students.

**Staff Accomplishments:** Mr. Rob Sparks was named as the 2016 Alaska History Teacher of the Year by the Alaska Humanities Forum. Soldotna Prep had two new hires for 2016-17 school year, Darren Zibell and Breta Brown. They both transferred from Nikiski Middle/High and were excellent additions to our staff. Soldotna Prep staff participated in many KPBSD Committees and engaged in multiple Professional Development opportunities this year with staff represented on the Math Curriculum committee, and the Recognition committee. Professional Development was focused around Canvas and increasing the amount of class materials available to students anytime and anywhere. Soldotna Prep also greatly increased participation in the Caring for the Kenai contest from last year and was awarded over \$5800 for the school to use for future events. 4 of the top 12 finalists in the contest were from Soldotna Prep, including the winner, Anya Hondel.

**Masonic Student of the Year:** Cameron Blackwell

**Masonic Student of the Year Finalists:** Cameron Blackwell, Janna Kreiger, Madilyn Kessler, Vydell Baker, Levi Rosin, and Jacob McConnell.

**Chamber of Commerce Students of the Month:** Whitney Benson, Autumn Chumley, Camron Presley, Jersey Truesdell, Eve Downing, Levi Rosin, Bradley Walters, and Ryann Cannava

**Caring for the Kenai Contest winners:** 1st placed overall, Anya Hondel, 3<sup>rd</sup> place, Bradley Walters, 6-12<sup>th</sup> Finalists Jacob McConnell and Kylie Ness. Sponsor Awards were granted to Faith Glassmaker, Brooke Belloumini, Cameron Blackwell, Mia Stewart, Autianna Spann, and Chris Edelman.

**Perfect Attendance:** Timothy Cashman, Tanner Brooks, Chris Edelman, Robert Mize.

**4.0 G.P.A. (Entire year):** Whitney Benson, Jacob McConnell, Cameron Blackwell, Galen Brantley, Tanner Brooks, Autumn Chumley, Tristin Clucas, Dylan Donham, Eve Downing, Esther Fredrickson, Alexandria Juliussen, Bryan Kingrey, Janna Kreiger, Jacob McConnell, Camron Presley, James Redmon, Dylan Ritchie, Jordan Tackett, Jersey Truesdell, Joeseph Van Hout

**Elected Student Council Officers for 2016-2017:** Cameron Blackwell, Timothy Cashman, Molly Verba, Kianna Holland

**Credit Acquisition**

Compared to previous 5 years of data for Soldotna Area 9<sup>th</sup> graders Soldotna Prep School experienced an increase in the percentage of students earning 6 or more high school credits, an increase the percentage of students who are on track for graduation, and an increased reduction in the number of students earning 5 or less credits. 73.4% of Soldotna Prep’s students will have earned 6 or more credits and Soldotna Prep will have 83.3% of the 9<sup>th</sup> grade class be on track to graduate in 4 years. This is in comparison to the previous 5-year average of 69% earning 6 or more credits and 75% of Soldotna Area 9<sup>th</sup> graders being on track to graduate in 4 years. Additionally, 34% of our students will have actually earned more than one year’s worth of high school credit at the end of their freshman year and the number of students who are far behind pace to graduate in 4 years has been reduced by 9 per cent when compared to the 5-year average.

Here is the final data for the 2016-17 School Year for Soldotna Prep Academic Performance:

192 Total Students

139 (73.4%) --- Passed all classes and earned 6 or more credits for the 2016-17 school year.

158 (83.3%) --- Passed all classes or had only one F and are on pace for 5.5 or more credits for the 2016-17 school year.

(19 students earned only 1 F this year)

33 (17.7%) --- Had 2 or more F’s and are **not** on pace for 5.5 or more credits during the 2016-17 school year. All of these students have been referred to Summer School for the 2017 Summer Session.

(9 students earned 5 credits, 5 students earned 4.5 credits, and 19 students earned 4 or less credits)

2016-17 data (break down by credit earned)

<b>Total Students</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4.5</b>	<b>4 or less</b>
192	46	19	74	19	9	5	19
100%	23.8%	9.9%	38.6%	9.9%	4.7%	2.5%	10%

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name**  Sterling Elementary School

**Submitted by**  Denise Kelly

Sterling Elementary had an amazing year:

- We started the school year with new faces! We added two new classroom teachers. In the middle of the year, we added three new paraprofessionals and a new custodian.
- We had a back to school ice cream social – sponsored by our marvelous PTA. Students were able to meet their teachers and drop off their school supplies.
- We had 17 students who returned from summer and turned in their summer reading log. The theme for our 2<sup>nd</sup> year was catching students reading in unique places. Students and staff sent in pictures reading in all kinds of vacation, camping, and relaxing locations!
- Our teachers, staff, PTA and volunteers made Trunk, Trail or Treat successful yet again!
- We held 3 Falcon Fun Nights this year. Our annual Sterling PTA Carnival was in February and during a snow storm. Despite the weather, a number of families enjoyed our activities together.
- Two music concerts were held – winter and spring. Our music teacher has made these events entertaining and well-attended by students and parents. Our band program excelled this year and our band students put together mini band concerts to introduce our primary grade students to the different instruments that students can play in band.
- We had local veterans in attendance at our Veteran’s Day assembly. It was quite moving with our video presentation of pictures of students’ family members who are in the service.
- Our PBIS system was in full swing this year! We had school wide celebrations nearly monthly if not more often because our school pompom jar was full.
- Students who earned the golden pompom were celebrated with the principal with a pizza party that was sponsored all year by Magpye’s Pizzeria. This generous Sterling business is Sterling Elementary School’s students’ greatest supporter.
- Kinder-Fair provided future Kindergarteners and their parents the opportunity to register for Head Start and Kindergarten. Partnering with Head Start each year allows parents to see education as important from the earliest years.
- Our Sterling PTA continues to support RIF (Reading is Fundamental) which provides 3 brand new books to each Sterling Elementary student throughout the school year. We also support our Sterling Head Start as they come with their students to pick out books as well.
- This year’s end of the year field day was in coordination with Relay for Life. Sterling raised \$173.80! We also raised money for Jump Rope for Heart and Pennies for Patients this year! Sterling families are so very generous!
- Sterling Elementary hosted Mrs. Margaret Donat as an Artist in Residence through support and funding from the Bunnell Street Arts Center and their funding partners. Our students, grades Pre-K through 6<sup>th</sup>, created watercolor landscapes, glass pendants and a kindness garden mural for our hallway.

- Our 5<sup>th</sup> grade students participated in Kids2College this year. Students were provided with lessons on what education level is needed for different career choices. They ended the week with a career panel where they asked questions regarding the college experience.
- Four classroom teachers received grants to participate in the Sea Life Center field trips.
- Three whole school family involvement events were held this year – our annual Thanksgiving family day and Title 1 sponsored Muffins with Moms and Doughnuts with Dads. All were successful with our students and families. In addition, we held our pre-k promotion during the evening this school year and it was well attended with over 80 family members of our 18 pre-k students.
- Classes participated in bear safety, water safety, winter safety, and dental health classes this year.
- We had two Battle of the Books teams who did well in the tournament, with our 5/6 team coming in 5<sup>th</sup> place. Sterling Elementary students participated in the Borough Forensics tournament and we had 19 borough winners.
- Sterling Elementary completed a 21 day kindness challenge through the month of November. Students and staff were challenged to do 5 acts of kindness per day and write kindness strips to create our kindness chain. Our chain measured 931 feet, which equals 6,517 acts of kindness in 21 days. That was 310 acts of kindness per day!
- Sterling Elementary was also fortunate to host The NED Show which taught students to Never Give Up, Encourage Others, and Do Your Best. Students loved the show and loved that it was presented with a “funny guy that did yo-yo tricks!”
- We conducted our evacuation drill as a potential response to a school intruder or emergency situation. Sterling Baptist Church was instrumental in making that a success.

During this school year, students participated in:

- K – 6 students participated in Healthy Futures AK earning prizes for documenting their physical activity throughout the year. Six of our students completed all of the calendars for the year.
- Students in grades 3 – 6 took the Math Performance Series assessment three times this year. Students in grade 6 took the Performance Series assessment in all three areas, Reading, ELA and Math, in preparation for middle school.
- Two of our students finished the whole Lexia Core 5 program this year. They were celebrated for their accomplishments.

The following individual students were also recognized:

- Shane Sundberg was selected as this year’s Masonic Outstanding Student in recognition of his hard work in academics, character, and his ability to get along with everyone!
- Braden Montgomery’s art work was selected to represent Sterling Elementary on next year’s school calendar magnet.

Sterling continues to share our facilities with the Sterling Judo Club and this year with a local church who began a short volleyball camp for some of its members.

We continue to build our partnerships with the Sterling Community Center and the Sterling Senior Center, both prominent businesses within our community.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Susan B. English

**Submitted by** Mr. Alan Haskins

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To Mr. Dusek,

Susan B. English this year had an enormous achievement, with the struggles of a school with declining student enrollment, the students really embraced the importance of using the distance education component that is offered at KPBSD in order to have a well-rounded education. At SBE we had 7 high school students enrolled at least one on-line class with many in 2 classes. There were 3 middle school students enrolled in High School Math online and were very successful. The community through much discussion this year, has come to the realization that distance ed and Lync/Polycom is a way of the future, we have started a list of other schools that will be using Polycom, with the hopes of connecting SBE students to other schools/teachers in the district.

The Vision for the school: "Making Education Relevant" I would like to say that the staff is working hard to incorporate the community expertise into the classroom, which is very nice to see, we also had Prince Williams Sound Science Center here for 2 days working with the students on oil cleanup and building ROV's. High School Students went to the Cadaver lab in Anchorage to experience areas in the medical field. The Sea Life Center was at SBE for 2 days and worked with students from K-12 on the ecosystem of the ocean.

Community Service this year has the students of Susan B. English helping with community clean up and helping to restore the park signs around town.

Susan B. English has 3 graduates and all are going on to college or technical training, this is wonderful, that each student realizes the importance of gaining a degree or certification.

Alan Haskins, Principal  
Susan B. English

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Tebughna School

**Submitted by** Pamala Potter

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1. **Outstanding achievements this year:** Our students have amazed me with their Universal Testing scores. They have worked hard, and the effort has shown in their growth. We still have a long ways to go, but in AIMSweb every student went up in all subjects. And in Ed Performance, we also escalated! With the instruction going on as it has been, and our interventions targeting the students where/when needed, we are bound to continue to accelerate this year. And the great news: Personalized Learning will establish an even stronger growth, on an individual basis!
2. **Athletic titles:** Our 4th grader won State 3rd place NYO for "stick pull" in NYO.
3. **Schoolwide Projects:** Many☺  
Tebughna 2016-2017

Great Kid Cards/Bingo  
Drop Everything and Read (DEAR)  
Kids Club Weekly (art, science, games, baking)  
Skate Nights  
Literacy Nights  
Science Nights  
Valentine Dance  
Christmas program  
Christmas door contest (staff)  
Talent Show (community)  
Spelling Bee (schoolwide)  
Science and Art Fair  
Monthly Themes  
Daily assembly/goofy games/attendance prizes  
Minute to Win It Attendance Celebration-Fridays  
Monthly Attendance Celebration  
Friday Focus  
Earth Day Community Clean-Up/barbeque  
Student Store (3 times a week)

Class Council  
"Future Educator of Alaska" Intern  
Volleyball tournament (community)  
Movie Nights  
Graduation Celebrations  
Prom/King, Queen, Prince, Princess  
PLAAY (exercise with Alaska schools)  
Secret Santa with KPBSD school  
Thanksgiving "Count Your Blessings" Elder Party  
Thanksgiving Dance  
Hydroponics/Outdoor Garden/Blessing/Food for Elders  
Yearbook  
Karaoke Night  
Back to School Night  
Health Fair  
1st Day Picnic  
Last Day Picnic  
Grandparent Day Celebration  
Fundraisers for Cancer and Muscular Dystrophy (give back to others)  
Red Ribbon Week  
Tutoring/Interventions  
Halloween Carnival/Parade  
Veteran's Day Celebration  
Charades  
Tebughna Challenge based on academics, attendance, behavior (overnight fieldtrip)  
Talent Show  
100th Day Celebration  
Green Eggs and Spam Celebration (Dr. Seuss Read Across America)  
Pi Day Celebration  
Maker Space Night  
Family Game Night  
Books for Bingo  
Whole Brain Teaching  
PBIS/Champs Peer Reviews  
Daily Math Skills (DMS)  
Yearbook  
Progress Reports sent home half way through each quarter  
Student Treasure Books (student written essays compiled into a book for parents)  
Sweatshirt logo contest  
Three weeks of Spirit Days (beginning of year, Christmas time, testing time)

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Tustumena Elementary School

**Submitted by** Doug Hayman

Please list the outstanding achievements of students, staff and/or your school for the past year. It is important that you share the following information; grants awarded, districtwide, statewide and national academic awards, regional and state athletic titles, special schoolwide projects, etc. It is not necessary to list each member of a team or group unless it is pertinent to an individual award. Your submission may not be longer than two (2) pages in length. This electronic form must be emailed to Debbie Tressler, Administrative Secretary, on or before June 1.

Teachers at Tustumena work as a team to provide the best education possible for our students. Along with last year's Teacher of the Year, we had two other teachers nominated for the BP Teacher of the Year Award this year. The longevity in the teaching profession averages over 18 years among our staff. We had one teacher retire this year who has been serving the Tustumena community since 1988.

We had two students participate in ANSEP at the state level and will both continue to participate in local events this year. Along with these 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, over 50% of our sixth grade students completed 7<sup>th</sup> grade Math curriculum, four of which are now enrolled high school math classes at Skyview and may earn high school credits next year.

All of our students participated in two School Enrichment Model units during the year. Groups were based on student interest included cluster topics such as: dance, karate, cooking, sculpture, digital photography, fly tying, kumahino, gardening, and more. Our school sponsors, and also fully participates in, the district-wide Forensics competition. We had several district level champions.

Our community enjoys and supports our school. School sponsored events such as concerts and open houses are attended beyond the capacity of the school. Several community agencies schedule the building for meetings of interest for residents. Evening events such as bi-weekly open court basketball are also available due to the waiver process.

We have community partners who hold successful events at our school as well as vital services. The Kasilof Public Library and Kasilof Boys and Girls clubs both use the facility to serve our students and patrons. They partner with us and our PTO to hold family nights and special events such as Easter Egg Hunts, Community Garage Sales, and other fundraisers that benefit our school and their organizations. The Boys and Girls Club also sponsors borough-wide athletic teams, and even though it is not a “school” event, the Tustumena basketball team was the champion 5-6 grade team.

Our school is more than a school. Tustumena Elementary is the Kasilof Community Center. This is where people look to for information, support, and service. Along with the high academic achievement of our students, this is what I am most proud.

# School Annual Report to the Superintendent

**School Name** Voznesenka School

**Submitted by** Michael Wojciak

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- District Battle of the Books HS champs
- 7<sup>th</sup> overall in State Battle of the Books
- Cleansweep of the Migrant-sponsored writing contest (MS and HS students)- taking 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> places in each category entered
- 2 Alaska Performance Scholarship qualifiers
- UAA Scholarship recipient
- 2 AK Performance Scholarship recipients
- 14 participants in Close Up trip to Washington D.C and NYC
- \$2250 Grant from Homer Foundation for Close Up trip
- \$4500 total donations for Sons of the American Legion, Homer
- Garden Fair
- East End Road garbage cleanup
- Annual Spring Fundraiser
- Caring for the Kenai finalist
- 98 lb. 1<sup>st</sup> place State wrestler
- 126 lb. 5<sup>th</sup> place State wrestler
- 170 lb. 6<sup>th</sup> place State wrestler
- Wrestling team placed 10<sup>th</sup> overall at State
- 2 Awards Assemblies
- School-wide beach day
- PBIS school
- RAHI participant
- RYLA participant
- Recipient of Superintendent's Award for 4.0 GPA
- Peninsula Conference Defensive Player of the Year
- 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference Offensive Guard
- 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference Middle Linebacker
- 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference Defensive End
- 1<sup>st</sup> Team All-Conference Punter
- 2nd Team All-Conference Offensive Tackle
- 2nd Team All-Conference Outside Linebacker

- 2nd Team All-Conference Defensive End
- Honorable Mention Halfback
- Honorable Mention Offensive Guard
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-State Offensive Guard
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-State Middle Linebacker
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-State Defensive End
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Team All-State Punter

# Superintendent's Annual Report

**School Name** West Homer Elementary School

**Submitted by** Eric Waltenbaugh

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## Student Celebrations

Eli Zatz – State Geography Bee

Garrett Briscoe – State Spelling Bee

Battle of the Books – KPBSD 5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> grade 2<sup>nd</sup> place, KPBSD 3rd/4<sup>th</sup> grade 3rd place.

## Parent Volunteers

Erica Marley, Tracy Hansen, Tracy Early – Entryway Mural Project

## Teacher Recognition

BP Teacher of Excellence – Bobbi Larrivee

## Grants Received

Homer Kachemak Bay Rotary Grant - \$500

NOAA Center For Alaskan Coastal Studies Marine Debris Grant - \$3,536

September 1-2, 2016 Trail Clean Up Days

September 8, 2016 Open House

September 12, 2016 – Community Coffee with the New Principal

September 13, 2016 Peer Observation Day

September 16, 2016 Constitution Day Assembly

September 21, 2016 Peer Observation Day

September 26, 2016 Marine Debris pre trip

October 3 – 7, 2016 PTO Penny Wars

October 11, 2016 – Potato Fest

October 11, 2016 – ORCA Fun Run

October 18, 2016 – Student council Speeches

October 20, 2016 – Peer Observation Day

October 24, 2016 – Youth Court Presentation

October 24, 2016 – Peer Observation Day

October 25, 2016 – Family and Friends Night at the Book Fair

October 26, 2016 – Awards Assembly

October 24-28, 2016 - Scholastic Book Fair

November 9, 2016- Honor Roll Assembly

November 10, 2016- Health Parent Night

November 4, 2016 – Punkin’ Chunkin’ Trebuchet Event

November 11, 2016 Bingo Night

November 22, 2016 Dance Assembly

December 8, 2016 – Peer Observation Day

December 13, 2016 - Winter Concert

December 19, 2016 - Youth Court Bar Exam

January 13, 2017- Awards Assembly

January 19, 2017 - Peer Observation Day

February 13-24, 2017- Artist In Residence – Jimmy Riorden

February 24, 2017 – Artist Gallery Walk

February 23, 2017 – Peer Observation Day

March 3, 2017- Bingo Night

March 7, 2017- Band Concert

March 9, 2017- ORCA Olympics

March 27, 2017- School Wide Talent Show

March 28, 2017- Family and Friends Night at the Book Fair

March 27 – 30, 2017 – Scholastic Book Fair

April 13, 2017- Peer Observation Day

April 24, 2017- Volunteer Appreciation Week

April 25, 2017- West Homer ES Special Education Visit to HMS

May 1, 2017- Teacher Appreciation Week

May 24, 2017- 2<sup>nd</sup> grade STEP Up Day at WHE

May 2, 2017- Spring Concert

May 5, 2017- School-wide Art Fair

May 20, 2017- Area Schools Color Burst Run

May 22, 2017 – HHS graduates visit WHE

May 22, 2017 – 6<sup>th</sup> grade Promotion Ceremony

May 23, 2017 – Field Day