# **3-School Newsletter**

Cooper Landing, Hope, and Moose Pass Schools

# September 6, 2022

# **KPBSD** Child Find

Free Developmental Vision and Hearing Screenings for preschoolers (age 3 to 5)

Would you like more information about your child's development? CHILD FIND Can Help!

The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District (KPBSD) provides free screening for children 3 through 5 years old (not yet in kindergarten)

*Areas screened include:* speech and language, learning and understanding, coordination and movement, social-emotional skills, self-helping skills (feeding, dressing, and toileting), vision or hearing. *Children already identified with disabilities should also be screened if not receiving special education services through the district.* 

Please visit <u>https://kpbsd.org/free-developmental-vision-hearing-screenings-for-preschoolers/</u> for more information.

# All Doors to School Will Now Be Locked

This school year, the KPBSD is requiring all elementary school doors to be locked during the academic school day. We understand this may be an inconvenience for some parents and staff, but the KPBSD holds school safety to the utmost level. As you know, the district is in the process of changing out traditional locking doors with electronic locking mechanisms. School principals can give you more information about this process.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

## **Moose Pass School: Mark Your Calendar**

Wednesday 9/7: Open House @ 3:30 and Site Based Council Meeting (see attached flyer at the bottom of the newsletter)
Friday 9/9: Early Release Day Students Released at 1:45PM
Thursday 10/13: Early Release Day Students Released at 1:45PM
Friday 10/14: In-Service Day/End of Quarter- No School for Students
Thursday 10/27: Student Led Conferences- No School for Students
Friday 10/28: Student Led Conferences- No School for Students

#### Moose Pass School In The News:

Check out this great story about our LEGO Robotics Team, The Moose Bots: <u>https://www.kdll.org/local-news/2022-09-02/moosebots-gear-up-for-another-year-of-robotics</u>

### **Cooper Landing School Updates**

#### Fishing Field Trip

This Friday, September 2 is our annual kids' fishing day! The itinerary is as follows: 08:45 Students come to school, use restroom, get into waders 09:00 Walk to bridge 09:15 Safety talk and push off 12:00ish Brown bag lunch on riverbank 14:30 Pull into Sportsman's 14:45 Return to school - student transport in outfitter rigs 15:15 Parents pick up from school

#### Students will need:

Brown bag lunch Water bottle Warm layers Rain gear

#### Beyond Van Gogh

We have purchased our tickets for Beyond Van Gogh. We will be going on September 22. Watch your email for details.

#### **Volunteers**

On occasion, we may need help transporting students other than your own on field trips, as we do not have a bus. If you are willing to help out, a background check is required. Please go to <u>https://kpbsd.org/departments/assistant-superintendent/instructional-services/hr/volunteer/</u> to complete the form. Thank you in advance!

#### **Fundraising Meeting**

Please stay tuned for a special fundraising meeting coming soon. The Parent Advisory Committee met last week and determined that we will need to do some fundraising this year as the PAC fund will be nearly depleted after skiing. We need everyone's ideas and participation. Thanks in advance!

#### Dates to Remember

Friday, September 2 - Fishing Field Trip Monday, September 5 - No School (Labor Day Holiday) Friday, September 9 - Early Release at 1:45 Thursday, September 22 - Beyond Van Gogh Field Trip

# **Hope School Happenings**

Hello Students and Parents,

#### Our Field trip to Beyond Van Gogh - SEPTEMBER 8TH 2022

The Immersive Experience is coming up quickly! Let's make sure that we have enough parent drivers so that all of our students can enjoy this experience. If you plan on volunteering your time as a driver, please make sure that your volunteer application is completed and approved, and your vehicle has passed the vehicle safety check. The safety check is a quick checklist that any staff member can complete with you. It ensures there are enough seat belts for the number of occupants, the brake lights are working, etc. These safety measures are extremely important to keep all of our children safe. Thank you!!

#### It's time to think about appropriate weather gear already!

We care about your child's health and comfort and want to take this opportunity to share a reminder. Children will play outdoors daily unless air quality poor or the temperature is below -10 (wind chill factor included). Please make sure your student has appropriate gear for outdoor play so they may participate fully.

- Rain: raincoat and waterproof boots
- Snow: heavy coat, snow pants, snow boots, hat and mittens/gloves

#### Your Volunteer Status is key this year.

We would really like each and every parent to come in and visit with their child this year, participate in field trips and help out. Please sign up to volunteer so you can come participate, help out, join in and make a difference. Please do this as soon as possible because our field trip for Van Gogh is coming up soon. <u>https://www.applitrack.com/kpbsd/onlineapp/default.aspx?</u> <u>Category=Volunteer+Screening+Process</u>

**Volunteers and Substitute Teachers:** Hope School is always happy to have substitute teachers and volunteers. Opportunity is available for both positions currently. Please consider one or both positions <u>https://www.applitrack.com/kpbsd/onlineapp/default.aspx?Category=Volunteer+Screening+Process</u>

Here is a link to your new school calendar for this school year.

https://kpbsd.org/wp-content/uploads/parents-students/calendars/2022-2023-Districtwide-Calendar.pdf

Important Dates: SEPT 8TH: VAN GOGH FIELD TRIP TO ANCHORAGE SEPT 9TH: EARLY RELEASE AT 2:00 PM

PTO fundraisers are still being planned. Make sure to keep your ears opened for events to come such as the carwash and bake sale. They are working hard to do the best they can to support our students. Lets make sure we give them all the help we can!

**COVID POLICY:** Covid information available on district website: <u>https://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/content.aspx?id=42180</u>

#### Hope School Staff

