

NEWSLETTER



March/April 2024

KCHS News

PRINCIPAL MESSAGE

Hello, I hope that this email finds you happy and healthy. I want to take a moment of your time to inform you of our live ALICE drill on March 21st at 11:20 AM.

The safety and security of our students is of the utmost importance. Kenai Peninsula Borough School District has adopted ALICE, a proactive set of responses to an active school intruder event, which empowers students and staff to utilize human action. ALICE stands for:

Alert:
Lockdown:
Inform:
Counter:
Evacuate:

Each year, we are required to have four ALICE drills with one being a live intruder simulation. There will not be ANY WEAPONS displayed or used in this simulation.

Law enforcement will be present and our building will be closed for approximately 30 minutes during this drill. If you are coming to pick your child up from school, do not be alarmed if you see law enforcement on campus. Our goal is to ensure that, in the event of an actual intruder, students and staff can discuss the various tools they have to react per the information they have available in real time. I appreciate your support in recognizing that safety is our priority. Thank you very much for your time.

Will Chervenak
Assistant Principal
Kenai Central High School

CONGRATS
TO OUR KCHS
NORDIC SKI TEAM.

DIVISION II
STATE CHAMPIONS!



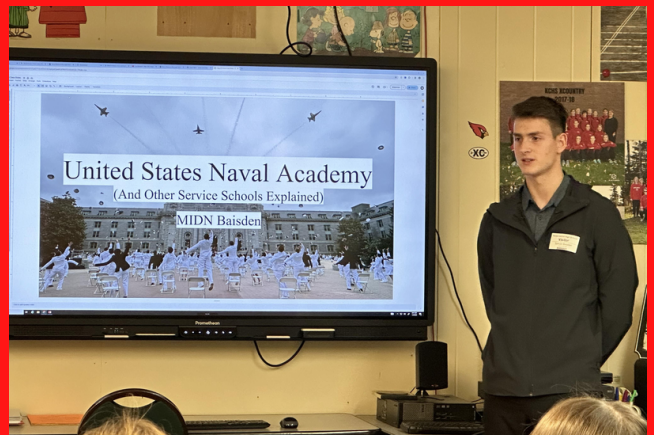
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Special Visitors

Two KCHS alumni returned to school for a day, but in the capacity of being guest speakers!

Samuel Baisden, 2022 graduate of KCHS and now enrolled in the US Naval Academy, generously gave up vacation time to talk to Kenai Central U.S. History juniors about his life at the Naval Academy.

Kasey Paxton, a 2018 graduate of KCHS and currently in the United States Navy stationed in Japan, also spent a day talking to Mrs. Calvert's classes about what life is like for enlisted military personnel. Students were able to ask questions and get great insight what being in the Naval Academy is all about, as well as living abroad!



Congratulations

The Educators Rising KPBSD District Wide Chapter is back from the 2024 Educators Rising ALASKA State Leadership Conference, where we represented our school district professionally and demonstrated remarkable skills.

This year, over 165 Alaskan students from 13 school districts and 30 schools gathered in Juneau for the conference, where they showcased their talents, voices, and explored the teaching profession. Many of them also had the opportunity to meet with our Alaskan legislators at the Capitol, who took some time out of their very busy schedules to welcome our students. We were able to meet with Senator Jesse Bjorkman, Senator Löki Tobin, Senator Gary Stevens, Representative Justin Ruffridge, Representative Will Stapp and Representative Mary Peltola. All legislators were extremely kind and welcoming to our students, and we are so grateful for them taking the time to meet and talk to our students!

Senator Bjorkman invited our students to join the Senate Education Committee during their public hearing session.

Congratulations to the ENTIRE team for placing in the first 3 places!

1st place (JV) Caitlyn Eskelin KCHS, Lesson Planning & Delivery - Arts

1st place (JV) Morgan Carlson-Kelly Homer High, Job Interview

1st place (V) Sophia Micciche SOHI, Children's Literature K-3

3rd place (JV) Afton Roberts KCHS, Lesson Planning & Delivery - STEM

3rd place (JV) Sophia Evans KCHS, Lesson Planning & Delivery - Humanities

3rd place (V) Jeren Nash SOHI, Lesson Planning & Delivery - Humanities

We are very proud of each one of our Educators Rising students and their achievements. Indeed, our entire team has qualified to go and compete at the National level this June in Washington DC. We are very grateful for your ongoing support of this program.

Upcoming Events

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

March 4th- Band Concert 6pm
March 8th-Inservice- No School
March 11th-15th- Spring Break
March 18th Eligibility Check Q3
March 21st-Live Action ALICE Drill
March 21st-Choir Concert at 7:00pm
March 25th-School Climate Survey
March 29th-Make up Snow Day- Early Release
April 1st-Prom Assembly
April 1st-Honor Band at SOHI
April 2nd-Mass Band at SOHI
April 6th-Prom- Prom is for 11th and 12th graders
April 8th-Freshman Night 6pm
April 8th-AK Star LA Testing for 9th Grade
April 10th-AK Star Science Testing for 10th Grade
April 10th-Site Council
April 11th-AK Star Math Testing for 9th Grade
April 15th- E4 Grade Check
April 16th- Get Real Reality Fair for Seniors
May 12th-Senior Awards Night at 6pm
May 13th-Graduation at 6:30pm

For all upcoming KCHS events please visit our school [Calendar](#).

ATHLETIC INFORMATION

February 26th- Esports Starts
Coach- Matt Cross-MCross2@KPBSD.k12.ak.us

March 4th- Spring Sports Start
Track-Joe Shirley-JShirley@KPBSD.k12.ak.us
Girls Soccer-Dan Verkuilen- dansguideservice@icloud.com
Boys Soccer-Shane Lopez-SLopez@KPBSD.k12.ak.us
Baseball- Luke Oliver-LOliver@KPBSD.k12.ak.us
Softball- Bob Frates-bfrates65@gmail.com

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Testing

We are excited to inform you about the upcoming AK Star Testing for our 9th and 10th grade students. The AK Star assessments are designed to measure student proficiency in Language Arts Math and Science.

AK Star Testing Dates:

Language Arts: 9th Grade: April 8th

Science: 10th Grade: April 10th

Math: 9th Grade: April 11th

We will also be completing our Maps assessment for 10th grade students.

10th Final Maps Testing

Language Usage and Reading March 26-28

Math April 1-3

These assessments are crucial in providing valuable insights into our students' academic progress and areas that may need additional support. We encourage all students to prepare adequately and approach these tests with a positive attitude.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the AK Star and Final Maps testing, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. Together, we can help our students succeed and achieve their full potential.

Thank you for your continued partnership in your child's education.

Surveys

It is that time of the year again where we are desperately trying to track down permission for our School Climate and Senior Exit surveys.

The School Climate Survey asks students questions pertaining to how they feel about school. This data is important to us because we look at areas that we can improve on to help create a more positive climate for all students.

The Senior Exit Survey is a great way for seniors to let us know about their full experience here at KCHS and again gives us feedback on areas that we can look at to improve upon and areas we did well.

We appreciate you filling out and returning the permission slips for these surveys.

Kardinal Pride

Student of the Month for January.

Courtney Galloway
Jocelyn Bettinger
Elliot Hanson
Sarah Baisden
Kaylauna Gump
Sabre Christoffersen
Sawyer Vann
Michael Henson
Indiana Jones
Willow Graham
Chloe Mobbett
Nora Sonderland
Jackson Satathite
Pepper Noel
David Titus





KENAI CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL

Hollywood blvd.

April 6th

PROMENADE LINE UP IS FROM 7:15-8:00

PROMENADE IS FROM 8:00-9:00

DANCE STARTS AT 9 ENDS AT 12

Tickets are \$20 per person

