

3-School Newsletter

Cooper Landing, Hope, and Moose Pass Schools

October 11, 2021

KPBSD Budget Meetings

The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District requests input from staff, parents, and community members at the districtwide KPBSD budget development meetings, scheduled at the following times:

- Central Peninsula Community – Thursday, October 7th @ 6:00 pm Soldotna High Library
- **The Thursday, October 7 Meeting is the only one that will be available via Zoom; the rest are in person only. I will email a Zoom link as soon as one is available.**
- Homer Community – Tuesday, October 19, 2021 @ 6:00pm Homer High Library
- Seward Community – Wednesday, October 20, 2021 @ 6:00 pm Seward Library

Additional information and the number to call in with questions will be posted on the [Finance](#) Page of the KPBSD website. As new budget information becomes available, it will also be posted on the [Finance](#) page. If you have questions, please call Natalie Bates at 714-8888.

A Note from our School Nurse

All Hands on Deck

My daughter graduated in May 2020. Covid upended our world in March 2020. I had decided to do University tours her junior year because I knew that her Senior year was going to be phenomenally busy with prom, sports, paperwork for college, SAT exam, scholarship applications, award and graduation ceremonies and a graduation trip. Needless to say, my daughter and her family did not fully get to celebrate her rite of passage her Senior year. She had maybe 10 minutes with us on an empty stage and theater taking graduation pictures. Some students were not able to pick up their awards because they were close contacts or they were positive for Covid-19. The town parade was a moment that made me so proud of being part of this community because for that brief moment, we were celebrating our graduating kids.

Here we are 2021, still struggling with the same issues of our students missing school, sports and events because of being a close contact and or being positive for Covid-19.

Events are around the corner again such as graduation, college tours, holiday trips, family visits and sport championships for boroughs or State. Right now our local Safeway is providing vaccination against Covid-19 for free with or without insurance. Let's all work together to fight Covid-19 and not miss anymore celebrations.

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Cooper Landing School Updates

Universal Masking

It's important to keep as many people attending school in person, so as an added safety measure, our school will join [several other KPBSD schools](#), and begin universal masking on Monday, October 4, 2021. This will help slow in-school exposure to COVID-19, and keep students in school without a need to quarantine if they are exposed to someone who is positive for COVID-19.* Factors that impact this decision include positive COVID-19 cases in schools; the number of identified close contacts who need to quarantine; absenteeism rates; high community transmission; and local health care capacity.

Cooper Landing School will require face coverings for all students and staff while indoors at school, beginning Monday, October 4, 2021. This will be reevaluated on Friday, October 15, 2021.

Salmon Eggs

Last Wednesday, a representative from the Alaska Department of Fish & Game brought salmon eggs for our fish tank. The kids love watching the eggs grow and hatch. Once hatched, the alevin emerges with the yolk sac of the egg attached to their bellies. Alevins stay close to the nest (redd) for a few months. When they have consumed all of the yolk sac and have grown in size, these fish emerge from the gravel, and are then considered fry. At that point they will be released back into the river.

No School on October 15th

October 15th is a staff in-service day so there will be no school. It is also the end of the first quarter.

Great Alaska Shake Out

We will participate in the Great Alaska Shake Out on Thursday, October 21 at 10:21 am. For more information, follow this link: <https://www.shakeout.org/alaska/>

Parent-Teacher Conferences

Will be Thursday, October 28 and Friday, October 29. There will be no school on those days. Mr. Gossard will be in contact beforehand to schedule a time to meet with you.

Volunteers / Background Checks

If you wish to participate in any field trips or volunteer activities, you must complete the online application which includes consenting to a background check. This is an annual requirement. Navigate to [this page](#) to complete the application.

Moose Pass School Things to Know

We have an ongoing problem with a sub shortage throughout the district. If you think you would like to be a sub or you know somebody who would like to sub in our school or anywhere in the district, apply today or share the link:

<https://www.applitrack.com/kpbsd/onlineapp/default.aspx?Category=Substitute+Support+Positions>

<https://www.applitrack.com/kpbsd/onlineapp/default.aspx?Category=Substitute+Teacher>

Parents: If you have not been on Power School to fill out your student's 'Back to School Forms' Please be sure to do that ASAP. If you have never logged into Power School, you will need to create an

https://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/students_parents.aspx?id=39221

We still do not have a Food Service Manager, so there is no meal service at this time.

Students should come to school with food for am snack time and lunch.

Also each student should have a water bottle, to avoid frequent trips to the fountain.

There are currently two job opportunities at Moose Pass School.

The first opportunity is a 2 hr. per day Food Service Manager Position and the second is a 4 hr. per day Custodial position.

There is the possibility of combining the two positions and having a 6 hr. per day position.

We are looking for positive, hardworking applicants who love working with kids and want to be a part of a fabulous team of educators and education support professionals.

Apply today, or share these links with somebody you think would be interested in these opportunities.

If you have any questions, call Susanna at Moose Pass School: 288-3183

<https://www.applitrack.com/kpbsd/onlineapp/default.aspx?Category=Support+Staff&subcategory=Food+Service&AppliTrackJobId=8174&AppliTrackLayoutMode=detail&AppliTrackViewPosting=1>

<https://www.applitrack.com/kpbsd/onlineapp/default.aspx?Category=Support+Staff&subcategory=Custodian&AppliTrackJobId=8292&AppliTrackLayoutMode=detail&AppliTrackViewPosting=1>

October 15: In-Service Day- No School for Students

October 20: KPBSD Budget Development Meeting 6PM at Seward Library

October 21: Great AK Shakeout 10:21am

October 28: Conference Day- No School for Students (Please see form at the bottom of the newsletter for more info)

October 29: Conference Day- No School for Students

November 11: No School Veterans Day

November 25-26: No School Thanksgiving Holiday

Hope School Happenings

Fall has arrived to Hope in full amazing colors. The view for the students is such a reminder of how amazing it is to be here. We want to thank parents for sending their children to school prepared for the weather. The children truly enjoy their time on the playground.

Employment Opportunity: We currently have a position for employment at the Hope School! This position is for a half time (.5) Reading Tutor (Title One) position available in Hope. Please look for this position on our website at <http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/>.

PTO Meeting: Tuesday 12th, 2021 at 4:00 PM, we will have a zoom meeting. Hope School is hoping for 100% of our Hope Students are represented by their Parents. Our PTO is an important part of our schools Title 1 Program. The information provided and discussed at these meeting is very informative and an excellent opportunity to discuss many topics. Please participate in the meeting via zoom. Check your email for your Zoom Link today.

Warm Clothing: Time to make sure all of the weather appropriate clothing are in students back packs. Fall has arrived with all the beautiful unique colors of fall and cooler temperatures! Our amazing view from the Hope playground gives the most of beautiful capture of each season.

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 and visit our website for more information <https://www.applitrak.com/kpbsd/onlineapp/default.aspx>.

Important Dates for the Month of October:

October 12th: PTO MEETING VIA ZOOM-Please check your email for your zoom link. If you did not receive an email for the PTO Meeting, please let me know. I will be sure to send it to you.

October 15th: In-Service Day – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

October 28th: Conference Day – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS/PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

October 29th: Conference Day – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS/PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES

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

PLEASE LOOK FOR ANY BOOKS YOU MAY NEED TO RETURN FROM PRIOR SCHOOL YEAR

Stay warm and enjoy your fall weather!

Hope School Staff



 Scholastic Book Clubs

[scholastic.com](https://www.scholastic.com)



Moose Pass School Student Led Conference Information

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