



# Seahawk News



The **Iron Mountain FFA** chapter will be meeting in the theater on Feb. 2 at 2:30-4:30 PM to prepare for District FFA virtual competitions on Friday, Feb. 5. **ALL** members need to plan on attending, no excuses. Those members in sports have already been released from practice on Feb. 2. **\*\*Annual chapter membership dues, \$10 per member, need to be turned in before participating in competitions.**

Thank you and wish everyone good luck in their speaking and employability events!

### **Student Council Ordered New Furniture for the Commons!**

"After months of research and collaboration, the student council has finally placed an order for all new furniture in the high school's common area. The pieces should arrive in the next 6-9 weeks. This has been an exciting project, and we look forward to presenting it to the community." -Tegan Retzer, Student Council President

### **Seward High Sports Resume with Special Mitigation Plans**

Seahawk Basketball and Nordic Ski Teams have been competing once again! Teams have been able to compete with in-district competitors utilizing covid mitigation plans and limited spectators. Cheerleading slated to begin Monday, February 1st. For information on Seahawk sports as things evolve contact Mr. Plan (907) 224-9040.

**Parent Teacher Conferences** Thursday, February 18th between 8am and 7pm and Friday, February 19th between 8-11am.

Please visit:

**<https://bit.ly/2YwXeHe>**

to schedule your conference. More information to come via email.

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## Notes from the Principal

We're back! However, we're not near normal...yet. Thanks to all of you for your patience through the school shut-down, remote learning, cohort learning, and this last (of what I hope to be) revision to our Mitigation Plan. As always, please continue to do your part by following the health mandates—mask up, keep your distance, and keep social bubbles small. We'll get through this, but it'll require all of us to do our part.

It's that time of the year when the District begins the budgeting cycle for next year. Check out the District's homepage at [www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us](http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us) for ways you can educate yourself about the funding process, access the Alaska State Legislature page to track bills, and contact your legislative representatives. COVID has put significant pressure on our enrollments. It's important to be part of discussions about how this will impact our planning for next year. The next Seward Area Site-Based Council Meeting is on Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>. Please contact me directly if you'd like to be invited and involved.

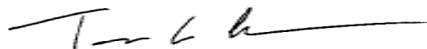
I'm happy to report that Nordic Ski, Basketball and Cheerleading are on! Although there are significant health mandates governing how students are able to participate, I'm thankful that they at least have the opportunity.

Lydia Jacoby accepted the invitation to compete in a time trial swim meet with Northern Lights Swim Club on, January 23<sup>rd</sup>, as part of her training in the lead up to the 2021 Olympic Trials in Omaha. She competed in the 50 Free, the 400 Individual Medley, and the 100 Breaststroke where she established a new lifetime best of 59.87. It has long been her goal to break a minute and is a huge accomplishment!! She now ranks as the 15th fastest nationally in the event all time for 15-16 year olds! We couldn't be more proud of our Rock Star Seahawk!

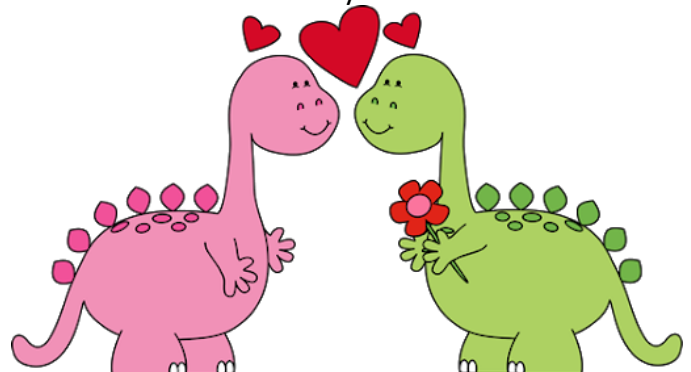
Please check out [kpbsd.org/schools/seward-high/](http://kpbsd.org/schools/seward-high/) for the most up-to-date information about instruction, activities, and communication. Don't forget to also "Like" Seward High School on Facebook. Stay informed and active in your child(ren)'s school lives.

My door is always open to the entire Seward High Community. Feel free to contact me if you have questions, comments, or concerns. My direct line is 224-9077 and my email is [twalker@kpbsd.k12.ak.us](mailto:twalker@kpbsd.k12.ak.us).

Sincerely,



Trevan Walker



## Nurse's Corner

Welcome Back!

I have been providing Covid-19 testing for free for our staff and students. I have been averaging 2 tests a week. It will be interesting to see if this goes up with our schools welcoming back all students for in-person instruction. I request that you call me and make an appt. if your child needs to be tested for Covid-19. Just wanted to simply say it has been wonderful to see the students back in school. There was a published, nine-week study done in Fall of 2020 in North Carolina's school districts. The school districts had over 90,000 students in a high transmission rate in the communities. The schools practiced the mitigation plans of masking, social distancing, and handwashing. Out of 90,000 students, there were only 32 in school transmissions. There was no child to adult transmission. This is very good news for our community because we have been supporting the same mitigation plan of masking, social distancing and handwashing. Our local providers are also working hard to get us vaccinated. The urgency of getting vaccinated is made more apparent because of the virus mutating and supposedly more contagious than the original Covid-19 virus. Experts are saying that vaccination numbers need to be in the 70-85% for herd immunity and lessen the chances of the mutating virus to be passed on from person to person.

Thanks,  
Nurse Yoly



## Library Corner

**We're Still Taking Requests!**  
**Get the books in our library that YOU want to read! Let Mr. Scrivo know title, author and/or genre and we'll make**





Hello everyone,

Here's to a warm welcome to February, with the sun shining a bit more each day! I must say it is SO wonderful to see smiling students back in the high school again! Even though we seem to be experiencing a bit of normalcy I think it is still important to find our own sources of strength; these uncertain times remain challenging for many. ☺

I have a few important items to share with you this month:

1. If you haven't checked out the new "Counselor's Corner" section of SHS's homepage, please do so. Lots of valuable information can be found there.
2. The last SAT test scheduled for Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> at SHS. The deadline to register without paying a late fee is Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>.
3. The ACT test will be offered at SHS on April 17<sup>th</sup>. The deadline to register without a late fee is March 12<sup>th</sup>.
4. The free ASVAB test for 10-12<sup>th</sup> grade students interested in the military will be offered at SHS again in March (date TBD). Contact me to sign up.
5. The ACCESS 2.0 English Language Proficiency Assessment is being conducted Feb. 1 – Mar. 5<sup>th</sup> for students identified as English Language Learners.
6. The Performance Evaluation for Alaska's Schools (PEAKS) assessment in ELA and Math (9<sup>th</sup> grade students and Science) 10<sup>th</sup> grade students) will take place between Mar. 29<sup>th</sup> – Apr. 16<sup>th</sup>.
7. Parents/guardians of a junior or senior student should contact me to set up an appointment to review progress towards graduation and discuss future educational and career plans.

Please reach out with questions or concerns. I always welcome the opportunity to provide support and work with the parents and guardians of SHS students. I am typically at the high school Monday – Friday, between 07:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Sincerely, Mr. Dye

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(907) 224-9070, M-F 07:30 – 11:30 AM



## KPC-Resurrection Bay Extension Site News

**Seward High Seniors...**what are your plans after graduating from high school...enter the workforce, attend college, enroll in a vocational-technical school or enlist in the military? Email Jackie Marshall with details about your plans so we can acknowledge you on the “**Class of 2021 – Moving on Bulletin Board**”.

**Zoom-Shop on FEBRUARY 11th at 6:30 pm** to help students with the UAOnline Scholarship application for UAA and KPC Foundation Scholarships. Application process and helpful tips on writing great scholarship essays will be covered.

**Registration at** <https://kpc.alaska.edu/admissions-aid/financial-aid/scholarships/>

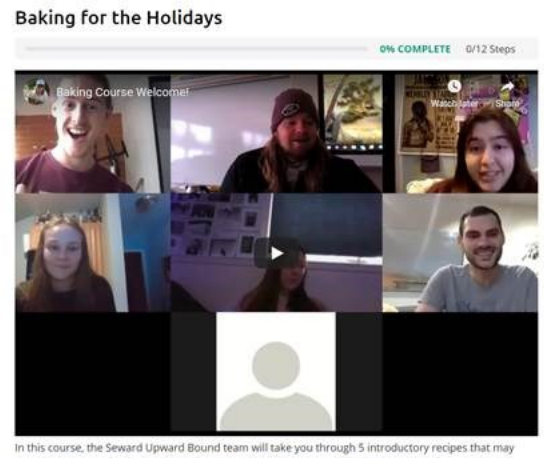
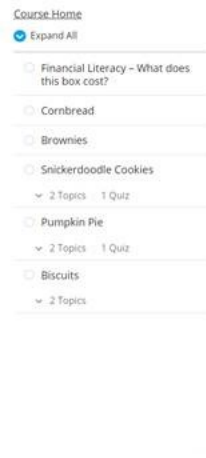
**Grades:** Final grades for Spring 2021 semester will be available to view at UA Online on May 6, 2021.

**Transcripts** for the college classes taken at KPC will need to be ordered and sent to the post-secondary institution you plan to apply or attend. Transcripts must be ordered online via [www.kpc.alaska.edu](http://www.kpc.alaska.edu) click on UAOnline and log in to secured area using UA Username and UA Password. **Please note-**It is the student’s responsibility to review their unofficial transcript for accuracy prior to submitting the online request for an official transcript.

**Consider pursuing a college degree at KPC:** Check out the areas of study offered at <http://www.kpc.alaska.edu/academics/areas-of-study/>

Contact Resurrection Bay Extension Site Coordinator Jackie Marshall for more information 262-0285 or [jjepimarshall@alaska.edu](mailto:jjepimarshall@alaska.edu)





# Seward *Upward Bound* Distance Baking!

After Thanksgiving Break some of our Upward Bound kids (Rowan, Wren, Emily Unrein, Brian, Tegan and Mikya) created a course for every Upward Bound kid in the state. They created a list of ingredients that fit into a flat rate box and sent them out to ALL of the upward bound kids in Alaska, from Wrangell up to Kotzebue, all over and in between.

After getting the boxes sent, they then set to the task of creating an online class with instructional videos on how to do 5 recipes. Included were kitchen/recipe conversions, financial literacy and a little chemistry lesson, all with only 2 weeks to get it out before break!

Starting with “just add water” cornbread and progressing up to pumpkin pie and biscuits from scratch. They did such a great job!

They even collaborated with Lindy Guernsey (and a few other upward bounders in Fairbanks) who helped convert our google doc into the actual course.