

February 11, 2025, Newsletter

Scenic Park Elementary
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Message from the Principal

Hello Scenic Park Families,

Thank you all for your generous support in our first ever Jump-A-Thon Fundraiser. Funds raised during this event will help support Scenic Park students, staff and families. We still have just one day left to donate. Please consider donating at: <https://go.rallyup.com/sp-eagles2025/Campaign/Details>. The top earner for the school will be awarded with the prize of "principal for the day." Another way to support Scenic Park is by purchasing items through our on-line store. Check out the merchandise at: <https://www.bonfire.com/store/scenic-park-elementary/>. A percentage of your purchase goes back to Scenic Park.

The Anchorage School District online lottery system is open until March 20th. If you know of any families that live outside our zone and would be interested in attending Scenic Park, please have them apply for the lottery.

<https://www.asdk12.org/lottery>

Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled for the week of February 24th. We will have an open house style conference on Tuesday, February 25th from 2:30-6:00. Individual conferences can be scheduled following the conference scheduler link:

<https://apps.asdk12.org/ConferenceScheduling/StudentScheduleStartExt.aspx> or reaching out to your child's teacher. Students will be dismissed on Wednesday, February 26th & Thursday, February 27th at 11:30. There will be no school on Friday, February 28th.

The School Climate and Connectedness Survey is a voluntary statewide survey that measures school climate, how connected students feel to adults and peers, social and emotional learning, and observed risk behaviors at school and school events. Please take the time to complete this survey. We value your input.

<https://surveys.panoramaed.com/aasb/asdfamily>

Student and staff safety continues to be a top priority at Scenic Park. Along with our monthly fire evacuation drills, we will be conducting our quarterly ALICE Drill. We will practice our **ALICE Drill on Tuesday, March 4th**.

As we push through the last few weeks of the 3rd quarter, our Immersion students in 2nd grade through 5th grade will be participating in the STAMP test. This test will assess your child's reading, writing, listening and speaking skills in Chinese.

As always, thank you for your continued support in your child's education. Look forward to seeing you all during Parent/Teacher Conferences.

Marco Christian

Upcoming Events

February 17th

Presidents' Day - No School

February 26th - 27th

Parent/Teacher Conferences
Half-Days & Book Fair
School's out 11:30 am

February 28th

In Service Day - No School

March 7th

Inservice/End of 3rd Quarter -
No School

March 10th - 14th

Spring Break - No School

March 20th

Lottery Closes - 5pm

March 27th - April 4th

AK Star Testing
Grades 3 - 5

Important Announcement

PLC Mondays

8:40- Students having
breakfast only.

8:50- First bell, students
enter building.

9:00- Tardy bell, classes
begin.

Lunch Schedule-
2:30 - dismissal

Tuesday- Friday

7:40- Students having
breakfast only.

7:50- First bell, students
enter building.

8:00- Tardy bell, classes
begin.

Lunch Schedule-
2:30-dismissal

Mission: To foster
resiliency and
perseverance in all
students.

Vision: Students and staff
will recognize both
successes and challenges
as opportunities for
growth.



Message from the Nurse



Dear Families,

Frostnip is a cold injury to the skin that happens when skin gets very cold—almost cold enough to freeze. The skin turns white, waxy looking, and feels firm to the touch. It starts as a white spot and is often seen on the cheeks, ears, nose and chin. It is very noticeable especially on the cheeks where an almost perfectly round white spot develops with an obvious ridge around the edge of the spot.

The area might get a little puffy and the puffiness and ridge can remain even after the skin warms up and normal color returns.

Think of it like a minor sunburn. The skin needs to be protected until it has completely healed. Your child should wear a mask or scarf to help protect the delicate skin on their face whenever they are out in the cold weather. If the area does get frost nipped, it needs to be rewarmed using warm hands or a warm (not hot) pack. The ears can be especially sensitive to rewarming causing a lot of pain and swelling. This usually heals quickly. However, if blisters develop, the skin turns black or blue, or the feeling does not return, then your child should be seen by your healthcare provider for evaluation.

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Let's Celebrate Our Battle of the Books Teams!

Our Battle of the Books teams had an incredible showing at West High! The 5th grade team's tournament took place on February 3rd, and the 3rd/4th grade teams competed on February 5th. Both groups worked hard and performed exceptionally well!

For the 5th grade teams, Team 45—consisting of Cassidy, Yuan-Fen, and Peter—earned an impressive 3rd place out of 59 teams. Team 46, made up of Martha, Levi, Jaidyn, and Mercedes, finished strong in 15th place. Unfortunately, Julian from Team 45 was unable to participate due to illness, and the team certainly felt his absence.

Our 3rd/4th grade teams also made us proud, with both teams tying for a solid 17th place out of 58 teams. Team 48 consisted of Olivia, Vera, Alice, and Oakli, while Team 49 was made up of Elliot, Mae, Novyse, and Jonah. Unfortunately, Jonah was unable to attend due to a scheduling conflict. Congratulations to all our participants for their outstanding efforts and dedication! We're already excited to see what next year holds!



3rd /4th Grade Team 48



3rd and 4th Grade Teams



3rd / 4th Grade Team 48



5th Grade Teams



Team 46



Scenic Park Read-A-Thon Coming Soon!

Our annual Read-a-Thon is almost here! This exciting event, running from **February 24th, 7:00 AM to March 7th, 8:00 PM**, is the **single biggest fundraiser** for our school library, and it's a fantastic way to support a cause close to all our hearts—keeping the books students love to read on the shelves!

Here's how it works: Parents will track their child's reading minutes using Read-a-Thon.com's easy tracking system, and students who accumulate the most reading time or raise the most money will have the chance to earn exciting rewards!

The **top 15 readers** will be invited to an exclusive **Read-for-Pets event** (more details coming soon!), and the **top 15 fundraisers** will earn a special invite to a **Bluey viewing marathon** in the library. So, watch for the sign-up flyer coming home soon and make this our best Read-a-Thon yet! 🎉📖





We Need YOU to Volunteer for the Book Fair!

Are you passionate about promoting reading and supporting our students? We need YOU! Volunteer opportunities are available for our upcoming February book fair, and we'd love your help in making it a success.


Positions Include:

- **Setup Crew:** Help arrange the books and create an inviting space.
- **Cashier:** Assist with sales and transactions during the fair.
- **Book Helper:** Tidy up displays and help shoppers find the perfect

book.

- **Cleanup Team:** Help pack up and put the library back in order after the event.

Whether you can spare a few hours or the entire week, your support will inspire a love for reading in our children!

 **Dates:** February 21st for Setup, February 25th, February 26th, and February 27th for all other positions.

 **Location:** Scenic Park Elementary Library

 SCHOLASTIC

It's **BOOK FAIR** *time!*

COME TO
THE FAIR
CHOOSE BOOKS
YOU LOVE

Scenic Park Library

February 25th, 2:30 – 5:30

February 26th, 11:30 – 2:30

February 27th, 11:30 – 2:30



Shop with Book Fair eWallet for cash-free purchases

JOIN OUR FUNDRAISER AT RAISING CANE'S!

**Mention the fundraiser at the register
and Cane's will donate 15% of sales to:**

Scenic Park Elementary

DATE & TIME:

February 26, 2025 from 10:00 AM - 11:00 PM

LOCATION:

**1172 North Muldoon Road, Suite J, Anchorage, AK 99504
907-885-3722**





 <p>Chinese Immersion Program K-9* Scenic Park Elementary Begich MS • Bartlett HS</p>	 <p>German Immersion Program K-12 Rilke Schule German Immersion School Service HS</p>	 <p>Russian Immersion Program K-12 Turnagain ES • Romig MS West HS</p>	 <p>Spanish Immersion Program K-12 Chugiak ES • Mirror Lake MS Chugiak HS</p>
 <p>French Immersion Program K-6* O'Malley Elementary Goldenvue MS</p>	 <p>Japanese Immersion Program K-12 Sand Lake ES • Mears MS Dimond HS</p>	 <p>Spanish Two-Way Immersion Program K-12 Government Hill ES • Romig MS West HS</p>	 <p>Yup'ik Immersion Program K-7* College Gate ES Wendler MS</p>

* These programs are still growing and will add a grade each year through grade 12.

Key dates for spring 2025 lottery

- February 1, 2025** Midnight—Lottery opens for parents to submit applications.
- March 20, 2025** 5 p.m.—Lottery closes for applications.
- March 21, 2025** Lottery runs.
- March 24-27, 2025** Schools validate accepted and wait lists.
- March 28, 2025** at 5 p.m.—Parent notifications of Lottery results are released.

A second lottery will be held in **July 2025** (details to follow).

asdk12.org/lottery

