All STAR POINTS

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Hello from Principal Christine Irwin & Asst. Principal Michael Kage



Winter is here! As it becomes colder with more snow, please remember to send your child to school with hats, gloves, snow pants, boots, and coats. We will have recess up to -10 degrees! We do not want our students to be cold! They are outside for 30 minutes

If you are having problems finding winter gear, please let the office know. Wonder Park Elementary has a limited supply of donated winter clothing for students to borrow.

With winter comes snow days. Perhaps you recall as a child, listening to the radio or watching TV with anticipation of a snow day! Today ASD and Wonder Park will communicate snow days in several way. Ms. Irwin will send a Remind message to all parents when there is a school closure. If you are not receiving these messages, be sure to speak with Ms. Wendy in the office and update your contact information.

You can also see closure information on the <u>ASD website</u>, <u>ASD Facebook page</u> or, do what I used to do and listen to the radio in the morning!

During November there are several days with no school. Just a reminder that the 8th and 11th of November there will be no school. You can stop by on the 8th and vote here at Wonder Park in the MPR, if this is your voting station. Thanksgiving Break is scheduled for 24th & 25th of November.





November 16th
Family Night 6-7:30
Join us for lots of fun
activities and a light
dinner to go. Paren

must accompany children.



POSSIBLE SCHOOL CLOSURE

In-person meeting Nov. 22 6-7 pm Zoom Nov.29/30 6-8 pm ALL VOICES ARE WELCOMED



School Hours

8:30 am Front doors open for those eating breakfast only. Others line up at exterior classroom doors.

8:40 am Supervision outside begins until 8:55 am.

8:50 am Classroom doors open

9:00 am Tardy bell rings

3:30 pm dismissal grades K-5

Ms. Katy's PreK has alternate times.



Absence Hotline!

Please call 337-1569 #1. Give the child's name, reason for absence, and teachers name.



Thank you for all the school supply and food donations.

Our families and students appreciate it.



Cold weather is here!.

We are outside everyday!

<u>Each child needs:</u>

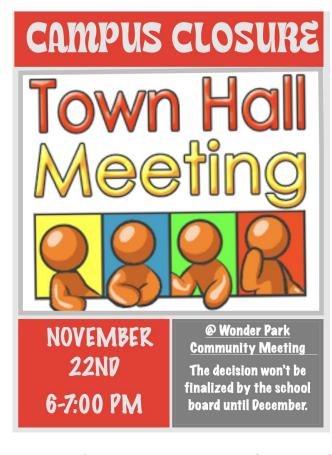
Hat, gloves, winter jacket, snow pants, winter boots.

November

- 8 Asynchronous Learning Day No school for kids/return packets tomorrow
- 11 Inservice Day/No School
- 16 Family Night 6-7:30 pm
- 18 Picture retakes and new students
- 21-23 Spirit week (look for article inside)
- 22 WP TOWN HALL MEETING 6-7 PM
- 29/30 Virtual Town Hall 6-8 pm Zoom link will be sent out(discussions on all school closures or repurposing of
- <u>bailding.</u> 24-25 Holiday/No School

December

- 15 Last day for 21st CCLC program
- 21 Last day for students
 - 2 Inservice day/no school
- 26-Ian 6 Winter Break



Please read the instructions below if you plan to speak at the meeting.

There is a time limit of 3 minutes.



SAVE-THE-DATE: CAMPUS CLOSURE COMMUNITY TOWN HALL AT

Wonder Park - NOVEMBER 22 @ 6PM IN THE MPR - DOORS OPEN AT 5:30PM

This meeting will be in-person and livestreamed.

A virtual town hall will be held via Zoom on November 29/30, 2022 from 6-8 pm.

A final campus closure decision won't be finalized by the school board until December.

- Doors open @5:30 pm
- There will be a brief FY24 Budget Solutions presentation starting @6pm. The moderator will then open it up to questions/feedback from the community.
- If you want to provide feedback/ask questions, you will need to sign-up at the registration table as you enter the school. No names will be taken prior. It must be on-site starting @5:30pm. Format is the same as a school board meeting. When your name is called, walk to the front of the room to the microphone to speak. You will have three minutes.
- The meeting will be live streamed in the same format as work sessions and school board meetings. There will be multiple cameras in the room.
- No decisions will be made. This is a two-way conversation opportunity for ASD to hear from you and help the school board make its decision in December.





- ** Apply online: 10/21- 12/10 @ https://saangeltree.org
 Scroll to invitation question and select no then enter your zip code.
 Please have documentation ready to upload.
- Register in-person: 11/4-5, 11/18-19, & 12/2-3 (9am-6pm)

 @ The Anchorage Corps Community Center
 1701 C Street, Anchorage, 99501
- Food boxes will not be distributed this year.
- * Items needed for in-person and online registration:
 - 🅭 Adults must provide photo ID
 - Mail verifying your address
 - Proof of guardianship of each child with a document proving each child's D.O.B.

You may use a birth certificate or a government or school document (ex.approved PFD, public assistance or school print out)

TOYS FOR TOTS

Toys for children ages 0-14 years

This is the only gift program for this holiday. Wonder Park is not receiving the Shoe Box gift donations.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL (907) 276-2515

Counselor's Corner~Addy Esco~ALL STAR COUNSELOR

Over the last month our kids have been learning a lot during our classroom lessons. In K-1 students have been meeting different superheroes that taught them about how they use everyday opportunities to make a difference in their schools. Small choices like being mindful of how they use their bodies and words to keep others safe or how practicing patience by waiting their turn to talk shows respect. All of these everyday decisions add up to make a big difference!



In 2nd & 3rd we have focused again on empathy, the importance of our words, and what it looks like to earn trust. In 3rd grade in particular we talked about why it is so hard to regain trust after we lose it, so it is important that we think about our choices and build strong relationships rooted in trust. It is important for our kids to learn these skills. It can feel easy to want to just fit in or engage in bullying activity in person or online, but it takes character to act in empathy and be a trustworthy friend. I encourage families to talk together often about your kids' friendships; what it looks like to be a good friend, what their friendships look like and so on.

In 4th & 5th grade we worked on building resiliency. Developing skills to deal with circumstances beyond our control. Life as you all know comes with a lot of things we cannot necessarily control, but there are still plenty of things we can. Our reactions, our choices, our behavior, our effort. In light of the recent news about the possible closure of our school, remembering this is important. We have to take care of things where we are able even when things might feel very uncertain. On that note, if any families or students need someone to talk to about their concerns about the unknowns of the school, I'm always here to help. Please take care of yourself.

Things I can control: My thoughts, My happiness,
My behavior, My effort, My reaction, and my words.

Things I cannot control: other people's actions,
other people's sadness, other people's anger, the problems of
the world, other people's feelings, other people's thoughts, and other people's
happiness.



Anchorage School Board Members
Dave Donley, Pat Higgins.

Andy Holleman. Carl Jacobs, Kelly Lessons, Dora Wilson and Margo Bellamy as president Superintendent Dr. Jharrett Bryantt



Nurse's Nook: Jennifer Mabry, RN,, NCSN-All Star Nurse





Reminder: Required vaccinations and documentation is due 7 November!

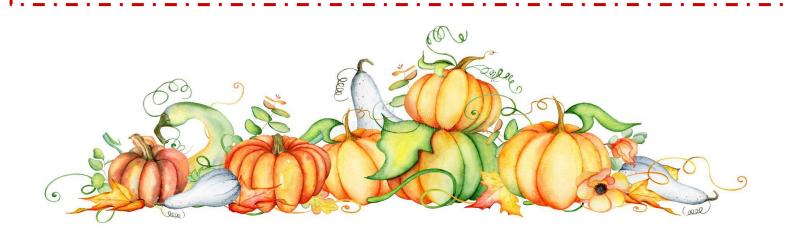
HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!

I am thankful for you and your family.

Healthy families make better learners.

If you have any health questions or concerns please feel free to contact me.

Nurse Jennifer 907-337-1569



21ST CCLC: DANIEL BUITRAGO

~ALL STAR AFTER SCHOOL COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTER COORDINATOR

Thank you to all the families who joined us for our after school program Open House! It was a pleasure to have you visit and check out all the cool things we are doing after school. Have you checked out or garden racks in the front entrance of the school? We will be harvesting our greens in December so students can be a part of the full cycle from seed to table. Thanks to Alaska Botanical Garden for their support with the shelves! Please contact Mr. Daniel for any information needed about program. 742-1730 There is no program the week of Thanksgiving 11/21-11/25.

The Musical Notes: Mrs. Bustamante~All Star Music Teacher



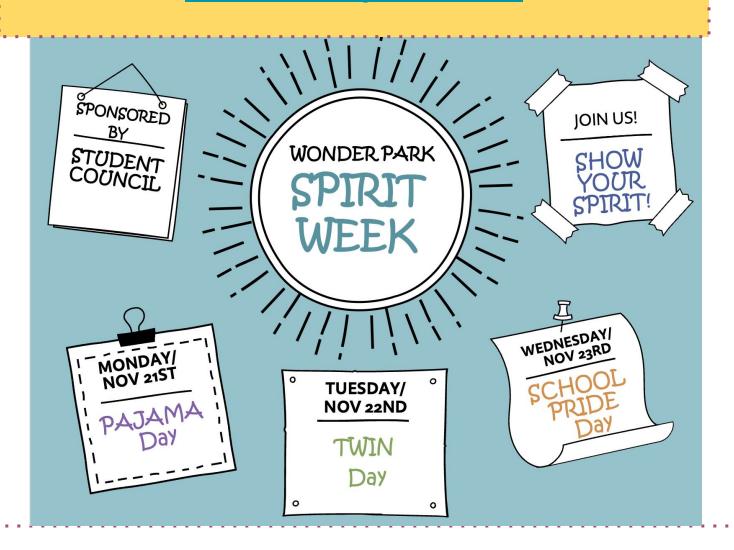




Happy Fall from the music room. We are learning to play recorders in 3rd - 5th grade and will continue with this throughout the 2nd quarter. Here is a link to our Digital Recorder Book.

The ASD set of ukuleles has arrived and will be enjoyed all 2nd quarter!

Here is a link to a digital ukulele book.



Snacks & Supplies

We are encouraging families to help provide class snacks every month, if they are able.

ASD has a grant to provide healthy fruits or vegetables twice per week on normal weeks. Your child's teacher may have other special classroom supply requests. Kleenex is always welcomed especially during cold/allergy seasons.



soup for themselves

and the staff.



Wonder Park spirit wear available.



One style, one color.
Youth shirts \$10.00
Adult shirts \$15.00 S-xl



Cash only please. See Ms. Tami next to office.

ANNUAL SCHOOL WIDE EVACUATION DRILL

Wonder Park held their annual evacuation drill. We are instructed to have our hands up until off campus. All staff, students and parent volunteers walked to the rally point. All went smoothly and returned to school safe and sound. This is practiced so in case there is an emergency everyone will know where to meet up.





























Ribbon Week Red



















Anchorage School District News/Title 1

Title 1 Right to Inquire

As a Title 1 school, we are asked to send notification to all parents of their right to inquire about the professional qualifications of teachers and paraprofessionals assigned to work with their children. Please see the form below if you would like more information, or inquire at the office.

pdf

Parent Regst TQ Lttr2023.doc.pdf Download

Insurance

Student Accident & Sickness Coverage

This is a reminder that Anchorage School District does not provide medical coverage for student injuries.

However, ASD has made available an option for families to purchase a low-cost student accident insurance program. Information is available at your school's front office, online at www.myers-stevens.com, or by calling 800-827-4695. Bilingual services are available

Fastbridge Notification

As part of The Alaska Reads Act, the State of Alaska requires that districts administer an early literacy screening tool three times a year to students in grades K-3 to identify potential reading difficulties in order to improve reading outcomes for students. Families can read more about this comprehensive K-3 reading policy at The Alaska Reads Act website: education.alaska.gov/akreads

FastBridge is the ASD benchmark assessment and screening tool for students in grades K-3 in reading and grades K-2 in mathematics. Educators in grades 4-8 may also use FastBridge with students as a screening and progress monitoring tool. FastBridge utilizes curriculum-based measures and is used by schools as part of the ASD Comprehensive Assessment System to support informed instructional decisions.

FastBridge will only be administered in-person during the benchmark windows listed below:

- Fall 2022: August 31 September 14
- Winter 2022: November 30 December 14
- Spring 2023: April 17 April 28

Results for K-3 students that were assessed during a benchmark window, will be available in Parent Connect the week after each benchmark window closes ParentConnectionLoginInformation: parentconnect.asdk12.org

Fastbridge screening results for summer school students will be available in Parent Connect after August 18, 2022

Attendance Counts!

Student: ARE YOU AN ATTENDANCE HERO? Here, Every day, Ready and On-time.





Students who have good attendance are more likely to be more successful in school.

Did you know ...?

- * Kindergarten and first grade attendance is a major predictor of reading levels in 3rd grade
- * By 6th grade chronic absences are 1 of the 3 major indicators that a student will drop out of high school
- * We **need** you at school unless you are sick with a fever of 101 or higher, vomiting more than once, or have diarrhea
- * Early release days are just as important as full days; we are still doing academics on 1/2 days and days before holidays.





Think Positive

Check out Wonder Park's positive referral board.

Can you find your child's name?

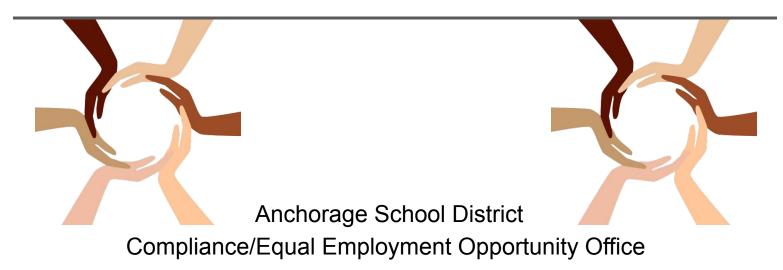






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ASD Statement of Nondiscrimination for ASD Publications

The Board is committed to an environment of nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, economic status, union affiliation, disability, and other human differences. No person shall be excluded from participation in, or denied the benefits of, any academic or extracurricular program or educational opportunity or service offered by the District. The District will comply with the applicable statutes, regulations, and executive orders adopted by Federal, State and Municipal agencies. The District notes the concurrent applicability of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act and the relevant disability provisions of Alaska law.

Any student or employee who violates this policy will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

Inquiries or complaints may be addressed to ASD's Compliance/Equal Employment Opportunity Senior Director, who also serves as the Title IX and ADA Coordinator, ASD Education Center, 5530 E. Northern Lights Blvd, Anchorage, AK 99504-3135 (907) 742-4132, EEO@asdk12.org., or to any of the following external agencies: Alaska State Commission for Human Rights, Anchorage Equal Rights Commission, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, or the Office for Civil Rights-U.S. Department of Education.















HALLOWEEN PARADE















Diversity Festival

Bettye Davis East High Saturday, December 3rd 12pm-5pm

Food

Community Resources

Prizes

Silent Auction

Family Engagement

Job Opportunity

Cultural Performance & Display







For more info please email janetemmsley@gmail.com
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Come work with us!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY!

Wonder Park Elementary is seeking.

Noon Duty
PreK Paraprofessional
Resource Paraprofessional
1st Grade Teacher
Special Ed. PreK Teacher

To apply, scan the QR code or go to www.asdk12.org/workforasd Questions? call 907-742-4115



