# Alaska Native Culture Charter

October 2021

## Waqaa ANCCS Families!

## **Upcoming Events**

#### October:

- 10/11-10/14- Spirit Week
- 10/15- No school for students (staff professional development day)
- 10/20 and 10/21- Parent/Teacher Conference days (these are half days 8:45-12:30 pm)
- 10/22- No school for students (staff professional development day)
- 10/30 and 10/31- ANCCS Halloween Bash by the Acuna's

#### November:

- 11/11- No school for students (staff professional development day)
- 11/12- No school for students (staff professional development day)
- 11/25 and 11/26- No school for Thanksgiving

The temperature has changed quickly! Please send winter gear to school with your student for recess.

## Spirit Week (10/11-10/14)

- · Monday: Traditional culture wear
- Tuesday: Rock your mocs
- · Wednesday: Language/Story from your culture
- Thursday: Traditional/cultural food

# Join us for a Halloween Bash by the Acuna's on October 30th and 31st!

What: This is a fundraiser for ANCCS

Where: 4961 E. 5th Ave. Anchorage AK, 99508

If there is not enough parking near the house Wonder Park Elementary is right across the street or Russian Jack Park is across the other way. A very short walk, only a few minutes.

#### Date:

Saturday, Oct 30th Sunday, Oct 31st

Time: TBA

Look out for a flyer coming soon!

## Conferences- October 20th and 21st

Conference days are half days of school, the hours will be from 8:45 am-12:30 pm

## From ASD:

Parent conferences are a valuable tool in the education of any child. During conferences, the teacher and parent/guardian have the opportunity to talk about important information that will help your student throughout their education this school year. Communication between home and school is one of the best ways to ensure that a child's school experience is successful. https://www.asdk12.org/conferences

Here is the link to schedule conferences:

https://apps.asdk12.org/ConferenceScheduling/StudentScheduleStartExt.aspx

## Attendance Reminder

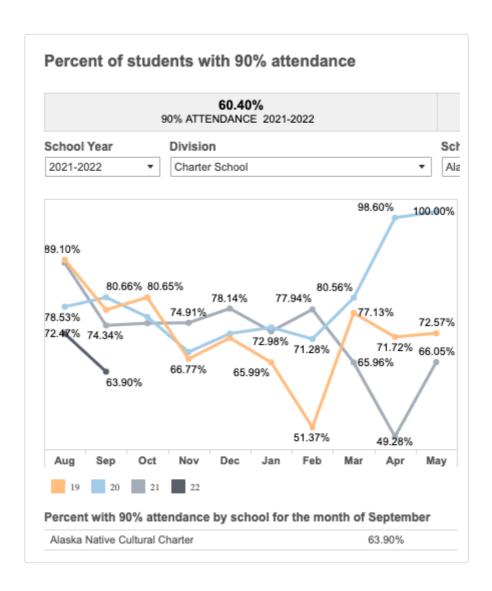
ASD Goal: Every student will attend school at least 90 percent of the time.

A missed school day is a lost opportunity for students to learn. There is a direct correlation between students who attend school regularly and higher academic achievement levels. In order to reach our Destination 2020 goal on attendance, students can miss no more than 17 days of school per year. This may seem like a lot but it's less than two absences per month.

Below is a screenshot of the current attendance numbers for this school year and previous years. For this school year as a whole school, we are only at 63.90% for attendance. Help us get up to 90%!

## When your student is absent:

An automated "robocall" attendance phone message goes out to all students with an unexcused absence. Standard practice is for middle and high school calls to go out at the end of the business day. Elementary households will also receive calls, beginning at 11 a.m.



## Drop off and Pick up Reminders

### Drop off:

School starts at 8:45 am, students dropped off after 8:45 am will be marked tardy.

Students can be dropped off starting at 8:35 am, please wait in your car until 8:35 am to allow for social distancing.

Breakfast is from 8:35-8:55 am.

### Pick up:

School ends at 3:30 pm.

We really appreciate your patience when waiting in the pick-up line!

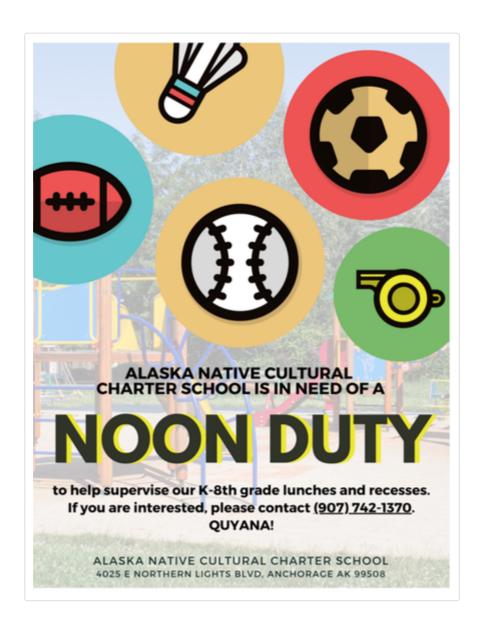
Below is a map to show the traffic flow.

Please pull all the way up when picking up and dropping off so we can load and unload as many students as possible at a time to help with congestion.

From the picture below, if you are picking up or dropping off please be in the green lane, and if you are driving thru please be in the red lane. The red lane is not for dropping off students.



Come be a Noon Duty!



## Nurse Corner

A few quick points about ASD Covid-19 policy.

- 1) ASD is symptom free. Please keep children home with ANY new onset of symptoms. Please do not medicate to hide symptoms, this may make them feel better but does not keep them from being contagious. Students may test for Covid to rule it out and return if fever free without medication for 24 hours prior to returning and symptoms are improving. Negative tests can be emailed to Nurse, or brought in with student.
- 2) If you are a close contact (within 6 feet for a total of 15 min in 24hours) to someone positive for Covid, you may test right away if you wish, but to return to school, must test 6 days after exposure (last day around positive case is day 0) and if negative and still asymptomatic on day 8, may return to school while continuing to monitor for symptoms. The virus can take up to 14 days to incubate, most will show up in the first 6 days.
- 3) if positive, isolation is required for 10 days starting the first day of symptoms or a positive test (whichever is first). Must be fever free for 24 hours prior to returning. First day of symptoms or the day you test positive is day 0. students may return on the 11th day.

This is a lot to keep track of. Please call or email me at any time with questions. Thank you SO much for all you are doing to help keep all of our school family safe.

## Instructional Coach Update

Follow this link for information on iReady:

https://readyclassroomcentral.com/download/?res=35160&view\_pdf=1

iReady Diagnostic Newsletter Information 2021/22

Students enrolled in a face-to-face ASD program will take an iReady diagnostic as part of the first two weeks of school. Students will take these diagnostic assessments throughout the school year during the following windows:

Fall: August 17 - September 17 Winter: January 3 - January 21

Spring: May 2 - May 18

Your school will be able to provide the dates your child's classroom will be taking the iReady diagnostic assessments.

## **Diagnostic Content Assessments by Grade Level**

- Reading
  - iReady Grades K-10, Grades 11-12 Tier III Courses
- Mathematics
  - iReady Grades K-8

#### **Diagnostic Purpose**

These diagnostic assessments are designed to provide teachers and parents with information about where a student is ready to learn, including areas of strength and areas of concern. It is important to remember that students should take these diagnostic assessments independently. These assessments allow your child's teacher to meet your student exactly where they are and provide data to increase your student's learning gains.

### iReady Resources

Please use the following resources to help guide your student.

- <u>iReady Overview for Families</u>
- Fridge Tips: for iReady Lessons at Home
- iReady Help Portal for Educators and Parents provides additional resources, including some materials available in multiple languages,

https://www.curriculumassociates.com/review/anchorage

#### iReady Results

iReady Diagnostic results will be available in Parent Connection the week following the closure of each window.

# ANCCS Photo Gallery





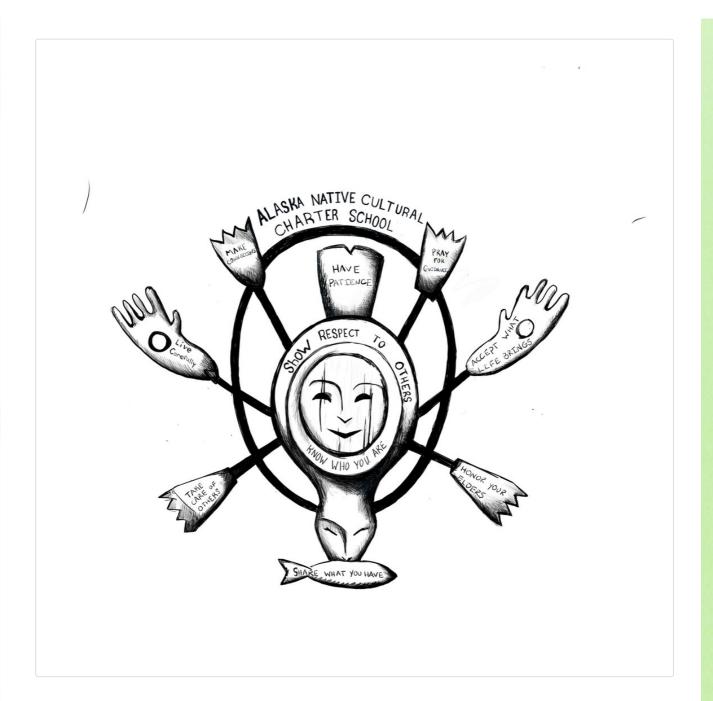








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