TIGER TRACKS

Northern Lights ABC School Newsletter

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Patriotism Generosity					
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Dear NLABC Families,

As we wind down our school year with our last issue of Tiger Tracks, I doubt any of us could have imagined that our school year would have ended in a quarantine status. During this unprecedented time, I want to say THANK YOU to all of you for your support, kind words, and encouragement while we all learned how to navigate learning and teaching in a virtual world. We have struggled, shed a few tears of frustration, but looking at our NLABC character building blocks we have shown perseverance, selfdiscipline, independence, humility, generosity, respect, helpfulness, tolerance, and compassion whether in our personal or professional lives. These are valuable lessons for our students to learn as they reflect back on this time of their lives.

I am extremely proud of the students who continued to turn in assignments and log into the Zoom sessions. Our teachers and staff have provided excellence in continuing to provide the best education to our students even without all of their materials. Words cannot express how proud I am to be a part of the NLABC community.

As Dr. Bishop, ASD Superintendent stated in her 5/1/2020 email to families that ASD will still provide learning supports throughout the summer months.

Middle School:

 Learning and Review Modules using APEX Tutorials: Apex Alaska Tutorials are supplemental curriculum that can be used to make sure students are ready for academics at the next level. Alaska Tutorials also provide extra practice on the topics and state standards with which students may struggle. In addition, students may accelerate their learning if they are ready for more challenging work. APEX Tutorials are ideal for families looking for a structured and rigorous curriculum that adjusts to the individual pace and skills of each student and is monitored by an ASD teacher. ASD Summer APEX Tutorials are offered for students in grades six through eight.

Elementary School:

- Summer Sign-up and Paper/Pencil Packets: Families of elementary students will soon receive information with guidance on how to sign up for summer learning opportunities, including how to receive a paper packet of review materials for Reading and Math at the end of the school year. We will make it easy to request follow-up materials through the summer!
- Paper/Pencil Packet Digital Download: If you have printing capabilities at home, you may print your own selected materials by simply downloading the digital packets and printing the pages you choose from any grade level.
- Math and Reading Review and Acceleration: Families looking for a structured Math and Reading alternative for which most students are familiar may sign up for *MathWhizz* and *Lexia* access through the summer. An ASD teacher will monitor students' progress and touch base with families throughout the program.
- Acceleration Learning Modules using APEX Tutorials: Apex Alaska Tutorials are supplemental curriculum that can be used to ensure students are ready for academics at the next level. Students may accelerate their learning if they are ready for more challenging work. Alaska Tutorials also provide extra practice on the topics and state standards with which students may struggle. APEX Tutorials are ideal for families looking for a structured and rigorous curriculum that adjusts to the individual pace and skills of the student and is monitored by an ASD teacher. APEX Tutorials are currently available and will extend through the summer.
- AKLearns: The Alaska Department of Education & Early Development offers an online supplemental curriculum for grades K-12 which is free of charge for all Alaska students. Online teachers, outside ASD, are available to support students as they work through the curriculum. Students continue enrollment in their local school. This curriculum is available now through June 30, 2020 for students in grades K-5.

When we return in the fall, we know that students are not going to be where we had hoped for them to be and it will be challenging, but we welcome that challenge. As a staff, we will address this and develop plans to ensure our students know the content material and are eager to learn for the upcoming year. I wish you a wonderful and happy (smoke-free) summer filled with laughter, sunshine, good fishing, and memories.

Looking forward to seeing you all in August!

Tammy Duff Principal Northern Lights ABC

Stop Germs! Stay Healthy! Wash Your Hands

WHEN?

- Before, during, and after preparing food
- Before eating food
- Before and after caring for someone who is sick
- Before and after treating a cut or wound
- After using the toilet
- After changing diapers or cleaning up a child who has used the toilet
- After blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing
- After touching an animal, animal feed, or animal waste
- After handling pet food or pet treats
- After touching garbage

HOW?

- Wet your hands with clean, running water (warm or cold), turn off the tap, and apply soap.
- Lather your hands by rubbing them together with the soap. Be sure to lather the backs of your hands, between your fingers, and under your nails.
- Scrub your hands for at least 20 seconds. Need a timer? Hum the "Happy Birthday" song from beginning to end twice.
- Rinse hands well under clean, running water.
- Dry hands using a clean towel or air dry them.



Keeping hands clean

is one of the most important things we

can do to stop the

spread of germs and

stay healthy.

For more details on handwashing, visit CDC's Handwashing Website at www.cdc.gov/handwashing



Music



Northern Lights Inaugural Digital Talent Show!!

The premier will be displayed on the Northern Lights Facebook page during the last week of school. Share your talent through a video recording: Singing, Dancing, Acting, Comedy, anything with talent.

Submission Requirements:

- 1. Audition entires should be 4 minutes or less
- 2. No lip Sync
- 3. Material must be school appropriate

Submission Deadline: May15th

Email to: anderson_matthew@asdk12.org

OR

submit assignment in Google music classroom



VIRTUAL 8TH GRADE GRADUATION CEREMONY

ATTEND VIA ZOOM AND CONGRATULATE THE CLASS OF 2019-20 ON THEIR HARD WORK

Monday, May 18, 2020 3 PM AKST

Limited space available due to Zoom restrictions. Reservations required. RSVP by May 15th to Mrs. Harrington harrington_julie@asdk12.org Please include your email. Each family will be given 3 Zoom links. May 7, 2020

Dear 8th Grade Parents,

I hope this letter finds you all well and healthy despite the craziness that has been thrust upon us. As you know we are planning an 8th grade graduation for our students. While it will be quite different than our traditional event, we still want to do something to recognize their hard work, perseverance, and this important milestone in their lives.

Invitations have been emailed to you about the event that will be on Monday, May 18th at 3 pm. We ask that you RSVP to Mrs. Harrington @harrington_julie@asdk12.org by May 15th.

We are limited in the number of invites we can send out. Each family will get 3 links with a password to enter. The reasons for this are 1) We have limited amounts of participants who can be in one Zoom at a time and 2) Safety reasons – we don't want any Zoom bombing to interfere with our event.

We will be emailing the parents who RSVP'd. Parents will need to share the link with their other guests. Please note, we need the names of the people who will be joining as they will be in the waiting room before being admitted. If the name isn't one that we have, they will not be admitted. Guests need to make sure that the names match with what is given to us. People who use their phones need to add their names before we admit you to join. Again, we don't want to make this complicated, but the safety and integrity of this event is of the utmost importance. Thank you in advance for your understanding.

Students will be asked to dress up for the event as each student will be featured. Please help us to ensure that students aren't wearing hoodies, t-shirts, etc. Students should realize that they need to either wear a shirt/tie or a nice dress /pantsuit. We want to see each student, to celebrate them, and ask them about their favorite memory from NLABC or what they have learned.

This Zoom event will not be recorded. There are several students who do not have media releases and that needs to be honored. However, you may record from your own device. I do ask that you do not post other student on any social media without the consent from their families.

A formal program will be sent to you with more program details the day of the event. We are planning on it to last no longer than an hour.

If you have any questions, please let me or one of the middle school teachers know.

Respectfully,

Tammy Duff Principal Northern Lights ABC

Important Reminders

Reminder As of April 8th

Playgrounds are open but please follow the guidelines:

- 1. Stay home if sick
- 2. Stay at least 6 feet away from others
- 3. Recreate by yourself or with members of your household
- 4. Avoid areas already in use by others if you can't maintain at least 6 feet of separation
- 5. Wash hands or use hand sanitizer, especially after touching shared surfaces.

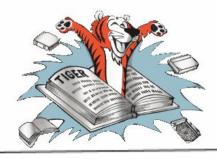
For more information see the Municipality of Anchorage at Munic Covid-19 Updates

Lifetouch Has Provided The Following Update:

The local office is closed at this time. To order your child's spring pictures, a parent or guardian of the student will need to reach out to our customer care team at 1-800-736-4753 to receive their portrait ID and access codes. The codes will allow them to view the image on MyLifetouch.com and order now for home delivery.

Reminder from the Front Office

Will your child be leaving NLABC for the next school year? Please let the front office know by emailing or leaving a voicemail at: harrington_julie@asdk12.org OR 907-743-7502
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T.I.G.E.R. READING CLUB UPDATE

April Reading, 2020

Dear Northern Lights community,

We regret to inform you that for the first time EVER NLABC students have LOST the reading race. We suspect Tiger Reading is a casualty of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Tiger Readers, get started NOW on summer reading - the goal for May, June, July, & August is **2,500** pages, and **summer reading logs** (not just total pages read) will be due on **Tuesday, September 1st.**

Total Pages Read this month: 227,115 Grand Total Pages Read: 4,037,153 Grand Total Staff Pages Read: 186,720 (subtracted from student total read) Pages left to 4.5-million-page-goal: 649,567 Readers who met goal: 103

-PRIMARY CLASS TROPHY K-3 WINNER:

Mrs. Barnett's Class

-INTERMEDIATE CLASS TROPHY 4-6 WINNER:

Mrs. Cotten's & Ms. Frackman's Classes

-CLASSROOM GRADE LEVEL TROPHY WINNERS:

- KINDER <u>Mrs. Montes</u>
- 1st GRADE Mrs. King
- 2nd GRADE Mrs. Pugh
- 3rd GRADE Mrs. Barnett
- 4th GRADE Ms. Basinger & Mrs. Kaas
- 5th GRADE Mrs. Cotten
- 6th GRADE <u>Ms. Frackman</u>

Congratulations to Ms. Kelly in the library for the most staff pages read this year!

ASD COMMUNICATION

Note: Always check your email and text messages

Anchorage School District: <u>ASD Homepage</u>

Northern Lights ABC School: NLABC Homepage

Northern Lights ABC Facebook: NLABC Official Facebook

COVID-19 LINKS

Trusted Official Websites to stay informed about COVID-19:

CDC <u>Center for Disease Control and Prevention</u>

WHO World Health Organization

DHSS State Department of Health and Social Sevices

ANCHORAGE. Municipality of Anchorage

DID YOU KNOW?

Meals during closure for students are available: <u>ASD Student Nutrition</u>

On-Line Learning NLABC Classroom Schedules

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Kindergarten	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Kelly		T, W, TH: 2:00 - 3:00	T, W, TH: 2:00 - 3:00	T, W, TH: 2:00 - 3:00	
Montes		T, W, TH: 2:00 - 3:00	T, W, TH: 2:00 - 3:00	T, W, TH: 2:00 - 3:00	
1st Grade	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Gionet	M, F: 12:00 - 1:00			TH: 9:00 - 10:00	M, F: 12:00 - 1:00
King	M, F: 12:00 - 1:00			TH: 9:00 - 10:00	M, F: 12:00 - 1:00
Son	M, F: 12:00 - 1:00			TH: 9:00 - 10:00	M, F: 12:00 - 1:00
2nd Grade	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Liesener	M, W, F: 10:00 - 11:00		M, W, F: 10:00 - 11:00		M, W, F: 10:00 - 11:00
Morris	M, W, F: 10:00 - 11:00		M, W, F: 10:00 - 11:00		M, W, F: 10:00 - 11:00
Pugh	M, W, F: 10:00 - 11:00		M, W, F: 10:00 - 11:00		M, W, F: 10:00 - 11:00
3rd Grade	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Barnett		T: 10:00 - 11:00			
Heinrich				TH: 10:00 - 11:00	
Navio					F: 9:00 - 10:00
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4th Grade	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Basinger		T, W, Th: 11:00 - 12:00	T, W, Th: 11:00 - 12:00	T, W, Th: 11:00 - 12:00	
Kaas		T, W, Th: 11:00 - 12:00	T, W, Th: 11:00 - 12:00	T, W, Th: 11:00 - 12:00	
Rath		T, W, Th: 11:00 - 12:00	T, W, Th: 11:00 - 12:00	T, W, Th: 11:00 - 12:00	
5th Grade	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
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		T, W: 1:00 - 2:00pm	T, W: 1:00-2:00	TH: 1:00 - 2:00	
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		T, W: 1:00-2:00pm	T, W: 1:00-2:00	TH: 1:00 - 2:00	
Hughes		(all teachers)	(all teachers)	(single teacher)	
Madarang		T, W: 1:00-2:00pm	T, W: 1:00-2:00	TH: 1:00 - 2:00	
Madalang		(all teachers)	(all teachers)	(single teacher)	
6th Grade	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Frackman	M, T, W: 9:00 - 10:00	M, T, W: 9:00 - 10:00	M, T, W: 9:00 - 10:00	monto	
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Voelker	M, T, W: 1:00 - 2:00	M, T, W: 1:00 - 2:00	M, T, W: 1:00 - 2:00		M W E 0:00 40:00
Walsh	M, W, F: 9:00 - 10:00		M, W, F: 9:00 - 10:00		M, W, F: 9:00 - 10:00
Middle School	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Coffman		T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	
Cullings		T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	
Dickson		T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	
Lee		T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	
Shasby		T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	T, W, TH: 12:00 - 1:00	
SPED	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Conway	M, F: 11:00 - 12:00		W: 1:00 - 2:00		M, F: 11:00 - 12:00
Specialist	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
Anderson (MUSIC)	M, F: 2:00 - 3:00				M, F: 2:00 - 3:00
Bartz (COUNSELOR)	M: 1:00 - 2:00		W: 3:00 - 4:00		Fi: 11:00 - 12:00
Collins (LIBRARY)	M, F: 2:00 - 2:30				M, F: 2:00 - 2:30
	M, F: 2:00 - 2:30				M, F: 2:00 - 2:30
Easton (ART)	M, F: 2:00 - 2:30 until May 1st				M, F: 2:00 - 2:30 until May 1st
	M, F: 2:00 - 3:00				M, F: 2:00 - 2:30
Ireland (P.E.)	until May 1st				until May 1st
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James (P.E.)	M, F: 2:00 - 3:00				M, F: 2:00 - 3:00
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On-Line Learning

NLABC classes end Thursday, May 21st

(the original 4th quarter last day of classes)

On-Line Classroom behavior to remind kids: Zoom Etiquette Best Practices for Parents: <u>Help Your Child Learn</u> Internet Offers: <u>Alaska Communications</u>

<u>GCI</u>

<u>MTA</u>

Links to learning resources by grade level:

This is not a classroom with an NLABC teacher, but will give your child guidance on more ways to learn on at home. Check the NLABC website at: NLABC Resources By Grade

Parents/Student Tech Help: ASD Technology HelpDesk or call 907-742-4357

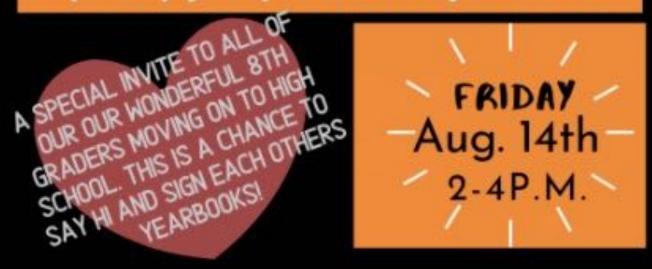
Family link Resource to everything! ASD Family Resources Website







We appreciate your understanding in these ever changing times. To keep within ASD and local guidelines, a discussion with our prinicpal, Mrs. Duff, and out of an abundance of caution we have decided to postpone our NLABC yearbook distrubtion. However, we welcome you to save the following date to pick up your pre-ordered yearbook.



News from the Library

Summer Reading is *critical to academic success* - even more so this year after a quarter of COVID-19. Check out the statistics, and you'll be rushing to choose the perfect summer books to ensure your student has great books s/he will enjoy reading. Start at the Anchorage Municipal Library Summer Reading Program. This summer, instead of sliding backward, help your student soar academically and have fun - by getting involved with the summer reading program at APL.

Is your student's library card in the bag of returned items? It contains their student ID as well as library code. This very important number does NOT change until high school graduation, and should be kept confidential.

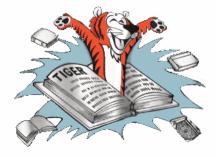
Have you checked out these amazing digital choices?

- 1. ASD's digital library: Your students' "credentials" (lastname.firstname and password used in the computer lab) provides access to SORA / Overdrive through ASD. Find the link on the NLABC website (top right hand corner under the blue "I want to…" button). f you haven't seen directions come home WITH your child's library card, please contact Ms. Collins to get the code.
- 2. Did you elect to give public library access to your student during registration? If so, your Kinder to 8th grader's ASD library code ALSO works at the Anchorage Public Library. Give it a try with TumbleBooks, Hoopla, Recorded Books or with Alaska Digital Library! If you need your students' library code, please contact Ms. Collins even after school is out :) Click HERE to access the video about SUMMER READING through APL. Our kids need access to digital materials even more this summer!
- 3. Find MANY resources including this quick-links bookmark on the NLABC Library Webpage.

**The public library and Alaska state library have books for all ages. Please be engaged with your child's reading / listening / viewing choices.

****When setting up ANY account (e.g. Hoopla, Recorded Books, Freegal, Lynda) please work with your student so that lost passwords and access go through you as the parent.** Although students technically have an ASD email. ASD email doesn't work for password retrieval (or anything else).

Can't find your student's username, password, or code? eMail to ask 😳



The goal of the T.I.G.E.R READING CLUB is to encourage young readers to become avid and consistent recreational readers. As we work toward this goal next year, we'll be holding exciting contests for students who meet monthly goals. Follow this link to the T.I.G.E.R. Reading Page to see the prize levels for next year, and download blank reading logs.

Our **T.I.G.E.R. Reading Summer Reading Goal is 2,500 pages** - that's 625 pages each month - May, June, July, & August! If March or April pages weren't turned in, please hold onto the logs and turn them in this fall.

Thank You!



Highlighting our wonderful Principal, Mrs. Tammy Duff.

May 1, 2020 is National Principals Day. We were happy to show Mrs. Duff that we appreciate her!



Thank You!



WE ARE THANKFUL FOR ALL OF OUR TEACHERS!

Although circumstances do not permit the normal week-long teacher appreciation, were happy to do whatever we could to honor all of our unique and hard working teachers.



Thank you to our NLABC Nurse, Mrs. Ngozi Njoku for always taking care of us!

Returning to NLABC?

Don't forget to register online for next school year!



Even if your child has been with NLABC, you still need to register on-line.

April 27 - June 28 & July 7 - August 21

Login to Q ParentConnection: https://parentconnect.asdk12.org

Library Projects: Helping & Creative Hands!

Ways I help at home:

- 1. Clean my room
- 2. Vacuum
- 3. Help clean mommy's room
- 4. Organize the snack shelf

Eva's Treetop **Festival** ∽

From S.T. Ways I help at home:

- 1. I help my siblings.
- 2. I help Mommy cook fried rice.
- 3. I help my sister tidy up the toys.
- 4. I help Daddy change batteries. **From Y.R.**





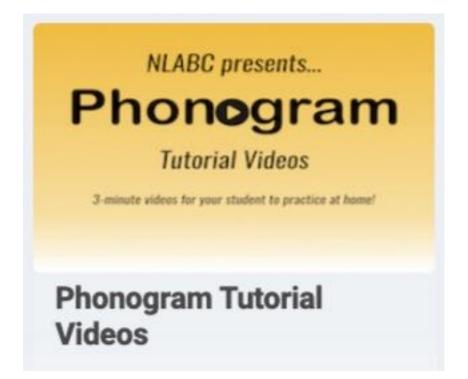
by Theo. LeS

Summertime Alphabet and Numbers

Have a child starting with NLABC?

Help them prepare by going to our homepage at NLABC Homepage

You will see the icon below:



You can also go directly to the video page Phonogram Tutorial Videos

Farewell From Ms. James

Hello Northern Lights ABC Families!

The Healthy Futures program annual 100 Miles in May is off and running! You can register at any time and enter activity data back to May 1. All you need to do is register yourself and children and then join the Northern Lights ABC school team!

You DO NOT have to pledge to participate! https://healthyfuturesak.org/get_involved/100milesmay/

If you have questions please contact me at james_shelly@asdk12.org

On a personal note,

I will be retiring this spring and would like to say goodbye to all our Northern Lights ABC students and families! I will miss our students daily "Good Mornings!", smiling faces, finger waves and energy! I am sending virtual hugs to all the students I was not able to say goodbye to in person.......Play Fair, Have Fun, Nobody Gets Hurt!



- Ms. James -

T.I.G.E.R. Reading Club

April EOY Recognition

Primary



Level 1, 5,000 Pages Zeke Arts

Level 2, 10,000 Pages Jacob Martinez Caily Sampaga Xalia Adams

Level 3, 15,000 Pages Artemio Rivera Xalia Adams Aaron Thomas Benjamin Sobolesky

Level 4, 20,000 Pages Lucas Son Phoebe Branson

Level 5, 25,000 Pages Brynlee Jeppson Samantha Moe Evan Gogain **Level 7, 35,000 Pages** Caiden Del Rosario Gilian Cabanilla

Level 9, 45,000 Pages Rowan Pendley

Level 11, 55,000 Pages Glory Afieroho

Level 12, 60,000 Pages Addison Hart Glory Afieroho

Level 13, 65,000 Pages Shelby Haag

Level 16, 80,000 Pages Brigham Jeppson

T.I.G.E.R. Reading Club

April EOY Recognition

Intermediate



Level 3, 15,000 Pages Blaire Tillman

Level 4, 20,000 Pages Luna Summerlin Juno Summerlin

Level 5, 25,000 Pages Esther Vargas

Level 6, 30,000 Pages Bianca Gonzales

Level 12, 60,000 Pages Grace Mihalka Gabriella Paraoan Lincoln Kanuit

Level 13, 65,000 Pages Avery Sundberg Level 15, 75,000 Pages Isabella Maddamma Hunter Bernas

Level 17, 85,000 Pages Sawyer Nickerson

Level 18, 90,000 Pages Adrielle Malpaya

Level 19, 95,000 Pages Michael Conway Kyle Sobolesky Julian Berg

Level 20, 100,000 Pages Michael Conway Julian Berg

Level 21+, Over 100,000 Pages Leigh Rivera

Character Building Blocks



May 2020

Helpfulness: Supportive, Cooperative

Sportsmanship: Teamwork, Honesty, Fairness



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