

Mountain View Elementary School

"Kenai's Neighborhood School"

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Mountain View Teachers out in the Neighborhood

The term "neighborhood school" is often used to describe the large, diverse, non-charter schools that form the backbone of a school district. As the only open-enrollment elementary school in Kenai, and with close to 500 students enrolled, Mountain View Elementary is indeed Kenai's Neighborhood School.

We have taken that moniker seriously and sought out numerous activities for our students to be out in the neighborhood doing community service. This holiday season our staff decided it was their turn to step up to the plate.

On Friday December 22nd fifty staff members from Mountain View Elementary boarded a school bus and ventured out into the neighborhood to spread a little kindness. Our first stops were for caroling. We surprised staff at Kenai Middle School and Kaleidoscope Elementary School and then went on to do the same at Kenai Post Office where the Post Master made sure all employees came out of the back and then snapped numerous pictures. Our final stop, arranged in advance, was the best of all.

Our bus arrived at the Kenai Senior Center just in time to join seniors for lunch. Three out of the eight seats at each table were reserved for our staff. This allowed for some great mingling, visiting and discussions over a hearty lunch of beef stew followed by ice cream. It was interesting to hear the connections the seniors had to school. At our table we had a retired school teacher and a retired bus driver. Some seniors expressed an interest in volunteering at the school which we will certainly follow up on. While there we also sang carols with the seniors and were treated to a rendition of Silent Night sung in Yupik.

All in all, it was a great day being out in our neighborhood. Look for our staff and students to be out again soon and, as always, feel free to stop in and visit your neighborhood school.



IMPORTANT DATES

Monday, January 15
VACATION DAY
NO SCHOOL

Thursday, January 18
SITE COUNCIL MEETING
In the Library
4:00 PM

Friday, January 26
PAJAMA DAY



Thursday, February 1
TALENT SHOW
At KCHS
7:00 PM

Wednesday, February 7
EARLY RELEASE
Students will be dismissed
at 1:50 PM

Thursday & Friday
February 8 & 9
PARENT-TEACHER
CONFERENCES
NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS

Kenai Peninsula Borough School District

CONGRATULATIONS!



SOARING EAGLES FOR DECEMBER

They are Riley Akaka, Sophia Bilger, D.J. Couch, Avah Cozzini, Devon Duniphin, Tia Ervin, Copper Fannon, Mary Felt, Willow Graham, Rebel Hancock, Royce Hinton, Bladen Manning, Davajiaye McFadden, Blake Morris, Ajay Patkotak, Joesphine Payne, Gabe Rison, Afton Roberts, Antonino Stapp, Riot Toepel, & Alexis Vanloan.

The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District requests input from staff, parents, and community members at the districtwide KPBSD budget development meeting, scheduled at the following locations:

- Tuesday, February 13, 2018 @ 5:30 p.m. in the Seward High School Library
- Tuesday, February 20, 2018 @ 5:30 p.m. in the Homer High School Library
- Wednesday, February 21, 2018 @ 5:30 pm. in the Soldotna High School Library
- Thursday, February 22, 2018 @ 5:30 p.m. in the Kenai Central High School Library

As new budget information becomes available it will be posted here: <http://www.kpbsd.k12.ak.us/departments.aspx?id=38>.

If you have questions, please call Natalie Bates at 714-8888.

Central Peninsula Child Find Screenings

The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District and Frontier Community Services Infant Learning will be offering Child Find screenings for children birth to 5 years. The screening clinic will be on Friday, January 26, 2018 from 9:00 – 3:00 at Frontier Community Services, Suite 32 B, in the Red Diamond Center. We will screen your child's early development, motor skills, speech, early learning concepts, vision & hearing. To make an appointment or for more information, call 714 - 6647.



ATTENTION 4TH GRADERS

The fourth graders at Mountain View Elementary have been invited to perform alongside the Kenai Peninsula Orchestra and students from other local elementary schools in an upcoming concert called, "Link-Up: The Orchestra Swings!"

The concert for Mountain View and other central peninsula schools will take place ***the afternoon of Saturday, February 3rd, at Kenai Central High School***. Students should be at KCHS at 1:30pm to practice with the orchestra so the concert can begin at 3:00 pm.

If you have any questions, please call Mr. Dillon at 283-8600 or e-mail jdillon@kpbsd.org.