

TESTING MADE EASY

Alaska partners with Data Recognition Corporation (DRC) to administer the Performance Evaluation for Alaska's Schools, or PEAKS. The assessment measures students' understanding of the Alaska English Language Arts & Mathematics standards adopted in 2012. The PEAKS assessment is administered to students in grades 3-9.

Some things you can do as a parent to make testing successful are:

Sleep: Make sure your child gets a good night's rest for each day of testing.

Breakfast: There is scientific data that says a child that eats a good breakfast can focus and retain knowledge. The School District will have snacks available during testing times.

Concentration: Make sure your student comes to school ready to do their best on tests. Encourage them to take their time and do their best. Remember, it is not a race. There is no time limit so students can continue to do their best work.

Upcoming Events

March

- 3 Iditarod Sled Dog Race Begins**
- 19 First Aid/CPR Class, McGrath**
- 19-23 Culture Camp, Nikolai**
- 20 Board Meeting in Grayling**
- 26 First Aid/CPR Class, Takotna**

April

- 2-6 PEAKS Testing Window**
- 16-20 MAP testing window**
- 22 Fourth Grade Trip Begins**
- 24 Board Meeting by VTC**

May

- 4 Holy Cross Graduation**
Grayling ends school year
- 8 Nikolai Graduation**
- 9 Shageluk, Holy Cross, McGrath end school year**

10 Takotna ends school year

15 Nikolai ends school year

Board Meeting

Honor Roll

Congratulations to the following students for a job well done!

Each semester, schools are asked to create an honor roll for 6-12 grades. The first semester Honor Roll includes:

Blackwell School

Courtney Richardson

Corwin Walker

Holy Cross

Lee Lou Burkett

Adrienne Turner

Sierra Walker

Brooke Demientieff

Kayla Arrow

John Hamilton

Ethan Paul

Deane Kwamme

Erica Aaberg

Adison Demientieff

Ian Demientieff

Kayloni Elswick

Jason Peters

Lindsey Turner

Samuel Edwards

*McGrath School**Ivory Lyman**Ulita Dale**Eva Welch**Kendra Chase**Joshua Hickerson**Takotna School**Kaden Mwarey**Michael Dopler**Julilee Johnson**Arrow Meglitsch***HELP US HELP YOU**

Tammy Jerue, Britt Anderson and Connie Newman will be contacting you to get accurate information for Migrant students. This information will allow us to apply for grants that will give us the most funding available from each grant. Please help us by taking time to answer questions about your family fishing times together.

*Winter's Night**By Ivory Lyman**In the dark of twilight**The moon shown down to reflect**Off a lake of silver,**The stars telling the stories of the sky,**Hearing the soothing tune**Replaced by the wind**The beasts of winter join together to**Dance the winter's waltz.**February, 2018***IASD Mission Statement**

The mission of IASD is to create a collaborative partnership among the students, teachers, school staff, families, elders, and community members of the district. We are committed to progress and will employ technology and embrace community partnerships through communicating district-wide cohesion and community participation in order to create confident, creative, problem solvers for all of our students. Our goals are to help give the students a safe, clean, warm and healthy environment to help in their future.

Special Kudos:

*A big thank you go to
Matt Shelborne and Matt
Anderson along with our
young mushers, Kendra
Chase and classmates
for a job well done
representing our district
on KTUU!*

*Look for the news clip on
our web site.*