

# Viking Saga

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## Upcoming Events Thursday, January 30, 2020

Jan. 30 – Feb. 1: HS BB @ North Pole JV Tournament

Jan. 30: HS Hockey @ Homer (@ Kevin Bell Arena) @ 7pm

Jan 31: Penny Market Day (elementary classes)

Jan. 31: HS Hockey @ Kenai (@ Municipal Rink) @ 7 pm

Feb. 1: HS Hockey @ Kenai (@ Municipal Rink) @ 12 pm

Feb. 6 -Feb. 9: HS Hockey @ Division II Tournament (@ UAF Patty Center)

Feb. 6 – Feb. 9: HS BB @ NIT Classic

Feb. 7 – Feb. 8: MS VB @ Queen of the Court @ Tok

Feb. 8: ACT testing @ TVS

Feb. 11: DBSD (MS) Battle of the Books @ TVCL @ 1 pm

Feb. 13-15: HS BB @ Su – Valley Crowley Classic

Feb. 14-15: MS VB @ Glenallen Sweet Heart Slam

**Feb. 17: Staff In-Service; No school for students**

Feb. 18: HS BB (Home) vs. Nenana @ 4 pm (JV Girls); 5:30 pm (JV Boys); 7 pm (Varsity Girls); 8:30 pm (Varsity Boys)

Feb. 20: DBSD School Board Meeting @ Cantwell @ 7 pm

Feb. 21-22: HS BB @ Minto

Feb. 21-22: MS VB @ Delta Invitational

Feb. 24: K – 5 Winter Variety Show @ MPR



Pictured above is the high school hockey team who will be travelling to Fairbanks next weekend for their Division II Tournament. Good luck on the ice, Warriors! A special thanks to Coach MacIver, Asst. Coach Cizmowski, and Asst. Coach Shreeve.

## School Events

**DBSD Science Fair:** Mark it on your calendar! DBSD Science Fair will be held on **March 4<sup>th</sup>** in TVS MPR. It is less than two months away! Remember to submit your entry forms to Mrs. Striker at TVS, Ms. Turley at Anderson and Ms. Santos in Cantwell. If you need an entry form, you can pick one up at the front office or ask your teacher. The categories are as follows: Experiment, Demonstration, Invention, Science Report, Science Collection, and Computer Coding. There will be many prizes awarded in each category and you could win a gift card, science book, backpack, or free admission to the trampoline park in Fairbanks! Start working on your projects and presentations and if you have any questions, please direct them to Mrs. Striker ([gretchenstriker@dbsd.org](mailto:gretchenstriker@dbsd.org))

**NEW Battle of the Books:** Battle of the Books competition season is here! Our Middle School team: Addi, Danika, Morgan & Kate, has a District Battle on February 11 at 1:00pm against Anderson in the Library. Go Warrior Readers! The winner of this battle advances to the State Battle on Feb. 26. Our other teams are uncontested in the district, so they will represent DBSD in the State Battles. High School team: Taegan, Emma T & Will compete Feb. 25; Grade 5 team: Abigail, Isabelle, Emma F & Haylie compete Feb. 27; Grade 3&4 team: Sydney S, Shylah, Rita & Kyler compete Feb. 28.

## Community Library

**Library:** Find us at [www.tvclibrary.org](http://www.tvclibrary.org) and on Facebook.  
Phone: 683-2507.

**Winter Hours:**  
Sunday: 12:30 pm – 3:30 pm

Monday: 3:30 – 8:30 pm  
Tuesday & Wednesday: 3:30 – 7 pm

**Story Hour:** Tuesdays, 10:15 am – 11:15 am

**Pre-K Story Time**

**Plus:** Tuesdays, 9 am – 11:30 am

### NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Keeping with the theme of attendance, I want to highlight issues we know that we have with getting and keeping kids in school. Most of our attendance issues are not due to a lack of value or care for education or lack of family engagement, nor a disconnect between parents and children. We know that people in our community value education, know where their kids are, and care that they are attending school regularly.

Our primary issues with attendance seem to be related to non-school-based activities and family time. Please note that school-based extra-curricular activities (like Basketball, Cross-country, MusicFest, and Regional Science Fair in Fairbanks) are not counted as absences. Please consider how family trips and other activities may impact your child's education. Also consider what impact such absences may have on peers, the classroom, and your child's teacher (as teachers always want to make sure students get missed content or have to adjust plans when there are many students gone at one time).

There is work being done with school schedules to help reduce the impact of some activities. You will always have to assess the importance of family priorities, but please consider scheduling optional vacations at times that reduce the impact on your child's time in school.

## School Events (continued)

### **Penny Market Day: Tomorrow!**

This will take place on Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup> for elementary students. Please bring something small to sell. Please bring 100 pennies.

## Community Library Events

### **NEW Button Design Contest for 2020 Census:**

The 2020 census is coming. To spread awareness about the census and encourage civic engagement the TVCL is hosting a button design competition. The winning design will be printed onto 1-1.5 inch circle button pins which will be available to Denali borough residents who participate in the census. Designs may be hand drawn or computer generated. Design requirements: Fit into a 1.5 inch circle. Represent Denali borough. Designs will be judged on: how well they represent the borough, how well they convey the importance, their fun and creativity, and originality. Designs should be submitted by **TOMORROW (Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>)** to [tvcl.events@gmail.com](mailto:tvcl.events@gmail.com) or turned in to Nicole at the Tri – Valley Library.

**Youth Writing Club:** TVC Library is hosting a youth writing club after school from 3:45-4:15 on Mondays. The club is a space to explore creative writing without the pressure of grades or even proper spelling and grammar. Students will have the opportunity to explore different writing styles and learn different writing techniques. The club is open to all ages K-12. Writing boxes will be available to checkout from the library desk for anyone who wants to explore creative writing outside of club hours.

### **Trivia Night at the Totem**

**Fridays:** Kicking off a new weekly event, the TVC Library will be hosting Trivia Nights from 7-8pm Fridays at the Totem. Come test your knowledge in a number of areas from Disney to Science. Bring the family and your friends to see which (up to 5 person) team knows the most trivia.

## Counselor Corner

### **NEW AKINEXT Statewide Youth**

**Leadership Program:** Do you know a high school student who would like to spend a week in Juneau this summer as part of a free youth leadership program? Applications are now open for AK|Next. See attached flyer and link below for info. The program is seeking students who want to make a positive impact in their community and connect with other youth from different cultures and communities across Alaska. Applications are due February 29 and can be found at:

<https://www.akhf.org/ak-next?fbclid=IwAR0LFRhYB25LgLoU3B1utjX2zZJrx-zuXJfSSHYNRK7j-hlJCyckZdr6QE>

## Community Events

**Little Dribblers:** Every Monday and Tuesday through 2/18. K-5<sup>th</sup> all together from 5:30 pm – 6:15 pm @ MPR.

**NEW Backcountry Film Festival:** This Saturday (Feb. 1) at 7PM Backcountry Film Festival at McKinley Village Community Center, a fundraiser for our Denali Junior Nordic Ski Club (a program of Kids In Motion). \$10 admission for films, food and prizes!

## What's for Lunch?

**TUESDAY LUNCH:** The 8th grade class will be offering hot lunches on Tuesdays. Menu includes hot dogs, chips, fruit, and a cookie. One hot dog \$4. Two hot dogs \$5. Punch cards available. Please make checks out to Tri-Valley School.

**DPLC WEDNESDAY LUNCH:** Pancake, bacon, and fruit. \$4 for one cake; \$5 for two cakes.

**FIESTA FRIDAY:** Healy Valley Lions Club will have tacos, nachos, and taco salad available for purchase. K-5<sup>th</sup>: \$4; 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>: \$5; Adult: \$6. At school, add an extra taco for \$1. Carry out orders, add an extra item for \$3. Punch cards will be available, 5 meals per card. Checks payable to Healy Valley Lions Club.

## Nurse Notes

**Health Fair:** Our annual community wide health fair is scheduled for April 4, 2020!

**TV Warrior Stickers:** Class of 2024 still has stickers available for purchase. One for \$3 or 2 for \$5. Please contact Karri Keith ([karri Keith@dbdsd.org](mailto:karri Keith@dbdsd.org)) or 683-2267) to purchase.