

Viking Saga

Tri-Valley School, PO Box 400, Healy, AK. 99743

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Send Saga submissions to sarahwalker@dbsd.org. Deadline Tuesday at noon.

Upcoming Events Thursday, February 7, 2019

Feb. 8-9: HS BB (BOYS) @
Tanana Tournament

Feb. 8-9: MS VB @ Tok
Tournament

Feb. 9: ACT TEST @ TVS

Feb. 11: HS BB (BOYS) vs.
Nulato @ 6:30 pm

Feb. 12: NAEP Testing (4th
and 8th graders) @ TVS

Feb. 12: MS VB (HOME) vs.
Su - Valley @ 3:30 pm

Feb. 14 - 16: All-
Northwest Music Festival

Feb. 14-16: HS BB (GIRLS)
@ Su - Valley Crowley
Tournament

Feb. 15 - 16: MS VB @
Glenallen Tournament

Feb. 18: **NO SCHOOL
FOR STUDENTS/IN-
SERVICE FOR STAFF**

Feb. 19: HS BB vs. Nenana

Feb. 21: DBSD School
Board Meeting in Cantwell

Feb. 22-23: HS BB @ Fort
Yukon

Feb. 22-23: MS VB @ Delta
Tournament

Feb. 25: K-5 Variety Show
@ 6:30 pm @ MPR

Feb. 26: AK Youth Risk
Behavior Survey (HS
Students) @ 9:30 am

Feb. 28 - March 2: HS BB
Regionals @ UAF

March 1 -2: MS VB @
Valdez Tournament

March 4: MS/HS Variety
Show @ 6:30 pm @ MPR

March 5 -6: DBSD Science
Fair @ MPR

March 8: MS Fun Night
"Disney Theme" from 5 pm

- 7 pm @ TVS

March 11-18: Spring Break



Our Elementary students recently celebrated the 100th day of school! Pictured above is Lydia M., and to the right are Sierra P. and Dylinn C. Each elementary student brought in 100 pennies to buy items created by fellow elementary students.

Photo credit: Susan Carlson

School Events

NEW IN-SERVICE FOR STAFF: There will be no school for students on Monday, Feb. 18th. Staff will be attending an in-service.

NEW IDIDA CONTEST: This year our school is participating in the Ididacontest for the first time. 31 entries across grades 2 through 6 in the form of books, movies, 3d models, and photos were submitted for a chance to win up to \$300! Winners will be announced on February 17th in Anchorage. Good luck Warriors!

NEW BATTLE OF THE BOOKS: Battle of the Books teams are preparing for State Battles on February 21 (Grades 3&4 team: Abigail W, Kely S, Sydney S, alternate Bryce G); February 26 (Middle School team: Will T, Addi D, Danika H); and February 27 (High School team: Sasha F, Erin P, Emma T, alternate Meadow G). State Battles take place via teleconference from the District Office. Tri-Valley's "Best of the Books" Grade 5 team (Morgan S, Sierra S, Izzy B, alternate Henry M) competed valiantly in the District Battle on February 1 and were bested by Anderson's "Furious 3", who will represent DBSD at the State Battle on February 25. Read on!

NEW VALENTINE'S COOKIE SALE:

The Freshman class is selling Valentine's Day cookies! Get your order forms from your teacher or the office and turn them in to the office. They are only \$5 for each cookie so make sure to get one for everyone you know! Forms are due to the office by this Friday and cookies will be delivered Valentine's week.

NEW HEALY TECH TEAM: Tech Team is starting up again! If you would like to be on the tech team and run lights and sound for productions contact Addison Walker @ addisonwalker@dbsd.org.

Community Library

Library: Find us at www.tvclibrary.org and on Facebook.

Phone: 683-2507.

Winter Hours:

Sunday: 12:30 pm- 3:30 pm

Monday & Tuesday: 3:30 - 8:30pm

Wednesday: 3:30- 6:30pm

Story Hour:

Wednesdays, 11:15 am- 12:15 pm.

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL

The annual school calendar options are out for public comment. There are subtle differences between the two options and both are quite similar to this year's calendar. However, there is also an online survey to help collect even more information so be sure to do the actual survey so that you can give more detailed information.

The calendar survey also has a question about a **4-day school week**. To make such a radical change to our school schedule and structure would be too much to undertake for this coming school year, but the idea is that it could be a possibility for the following 2020-2021 school year. Please share your questions and concerns about that kind of schedule too. The best place for that, again is the online survey.

I really appreciate the work and thought that our staff and governing body puts into exploring ideas that could improve education for our children, but their work can be enhanced by good feedback from our community. We know that schedule and calendar changes can have an impact, but generally the greatest educational impact is in the classroom with high-quality learning activities and high-quality teachers. We are already doing work to improve and personalize learning through the Strategic Plan. Now if we could just build the perfect calendar to maximize attendance and participation...

School Events (Continued)

NEW ANNUAL CHILD FIND: The purpose of this screening is to identify children ages 3 through 21 who may have problems with communication, learning, or skill development. Your child is eligible if they have turned three by this screening date: Tri – Valley School on February 19. Call TVS with questions or to make an appointment. Appointments available from 9 am to 4 pm. You'll check in directly at the library on the screening date.

DENALI BOROUGH SCHOOL

DISTRICT SCIENCE FAIR: The DBSD Science Fair will be held on March 5th and 6th in the MPR at TVS. Entry forms have already been passed out to students in grades K-8, but we have extra forms in the office. The forms can be returned to Mrs. Striker. You can start working on your project anytime but it needs to be completed and dropped off at TVS by the end of school on March 4th. The top ten projects will move onto the State Science Fair which will be held at Pioneer Park in Fairbanks on March 28th. If you have any questions, you can email Mrs. Striker @ gretchenstriker@dbsd.org.

Community Events

NEW 2019 MOTION SENSORS DANCE TROUPE "WILLY WONKA" AUDITIONS:

You will not want to miss this scrumptilyicious show! There are beloved parts for everyone from the smallest kindergartener to our valued Alumni. This year this is an 8-week dance program with performances being held on May 2nd, 3rd and 4th. For special parts, auditions will be on Thursday, 2/21 and Friday, 2/22. Locations TBA. Registration available online, or forms are available on the elementary bulletin board.

NEW GAME NIGHT AT THE

LIBRARY: Bring your favorite game or just stop by and join in the fun at the Library on Wednesday February 13 from 6:30-8:00pm. All ages are welcome. Game on!

NEW WINTERFEST: Saturday, February 23. Free chili and hot dog community dinner at 5 pm. Chili Cook Off with prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes. To enter the Cook off, call Sherry @ the borough office @ 683-1330. Denali Borough Mayor's Community Service Award presentation, and Bingo @ 7 pm. Prizes include gift cards for local, open-in-winter businesses.

WHAT'S FOR LUNCH?

Please be sure to pack a lunch and snacks for your student (s). Please remember to pack utensils with your child, if they should need them.

TUESDAY LUNCH: Hot dog, chips, and fruit. \$4/one hot dog; \$5/two hot dogs. Fundraiser for 1st/2nd grade Seward trip.

NEW DPLC WEDNESDAY LUNCH: Grilled cheese, soup (chicken noodle or chili), and fruit. \$4 for one sandwich meal; \$5 for two sandwich meal. Punch cards available.

THURSDAY LUNCH: Spaghetti, salad, and fruit. \$4 (K-5), and \$5 (6- 12 grades). Fundraiser for 8th grade class trip.

FIESTA FRIDAY LUNCH: Lion's Club is serving tacos again this year starting on Friday, Jan. 11. Taco (bean or beef): 1 flour tortilla or 2 corn; Nachos (bean or beef with cheese sauce); Taco Salad (bean or beef on lettuce). Topping choices: Cheese, lettuce, tomato, salsa, onions, sour cream, or jalapenos. K-5th: \$4. 6th – 12th: \$5. Adult: \$6. Punch cards will be available, 5 meals per card. Checks payable to Healy Valley Lions Club.

Counselor Corner

NEW AIR FORCE VISIT: Tech Sargent Tapley will be visiting TVS during lunch on March 4th in the Commons.

NEW YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR

SURVEY: Parents of high schoolers: The Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS), a school-based survey that collects important information on adolescent health and social behaviors will be administered at Tri-Valley on Tuesday, February 26 during second period. The survey takes approximately 45 minutes to complete and is completely anonymous. Student participation is voluntary, and parental permission is required for survey participation. Please be on the lookout for an email regarding the survey which will include an electronic copy of the permission form. In addition, we will send a hard copy of the permission form home with your student. If you're not familiar with the YRBS, I encourage you to visit the YRBS website <http://dhss.alaska.gov/dph/Chronic/Pages/yrbs/yrbs.aspx> and watch this brief informational video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=amlec3ehHy> for students. Thank you!