

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, March 7, 2019

March 8: MS Fun Night
"Disney Theme" from 5 pm
– 7 pm @ TVS

March 11-18: Spring Break

March 19: School resumes

March 19: MS and HS

Track practice begins

March 20: School Climate
and Connectedness Survey
(students and staff)

March 25: Internet Safety
with Rachel Gernat @ TVS
Cafeteria @ 5:30 pm – 7:30
pm (More in Saga entry)

March 26: DBSD & Denali
Borough Joint Work
Session from 6 pm – 9 pm

March 27:
Parent/Teacher
Conferences: No
school for students
(See Saga entry)

March 29: Jump Rope for
Heart (Elementary) @ Gym
from 10:15 am – 11:45 am

April 2 – 5: PEAKS Testing:
ELA and Math: 3rd – 10th
graders; Science: 4th, 8th and
10th graders

April 5 – 6: HS Track Meet
@ Big C
(Dome/Anchorage)

April 6: HS PROM @ Clear
AFS from 7 pm – 11 pm;
Grand March @ 5:30 pm

April 8: K – 12 Spring
Concert @ Gym @ 6:30
pm

April 10: Kindergarten
Round Up from 10 am – 12
pm (more info to follow)

April 10: Solo/Ensemble
Preview Concert @ MPR
@ 2:30 pm



Battle of the Books State Competitions: Tri-Valley students represented DBSD in state battles and showed impressive understandings of lots of books! On Feb. 21, Abigail W, Sydney S, and Kely S on "ASK For The Answers" finished 22nd out of 33 Grade 3&4 teams. On Feb. 26, Will T, Addi D, and Danika H on "The Right To Bear Books" finished 12th out of 25 Middle School teams. On Feb. 27, Sasha F, Erin P, and Emma T on "BOB3" finished 11th out of 21 High School teams. (Pictured above., along with Meadow G.). Way to go, Readers!

School Events

NEW CONGRATULATIONS! Our Girls High School Basketball Team won Regionals, and will compete for the third time at State over Spring Break. Way to go, Lady Warriors! Good luck at State!

NEW PROM: Midnight Masquerade Prom is April 6 from 7 pm - 11 pm , and the Grand March at 5:30 pm. Tickets are \$20 for single and \$35 for a couple. See Becki or Mrs. Striker to buy tickets.

NEW DBSD SCIENCE FAIR RESULTS: Congratulations to all of our students who participated in the DBSD Science Fair. A full list of award winners will be included in the electronic version of the Saga. The Grand Prize (winners listed below)will attend the Interior Alaska Science Fair on March 27 at Pioneer Park.

Grand Prize Winners

K - Hayden Penn - "Wrinkle Fingers"

K - Anabella Frazier - "The Smile Back"

K - Andie Seavey - "How Water Travels Through Plants"

2nd - Kyler Frazier - "Action Reaction"

3rd - Sydney Seavey - "What Makes Glow Sticks Glow?"

3rd - Liam Penn, 5th - Logan Penn - "Vacuum Cannon"

5th - Izzy Brown - "Macroinvertebrates and Temperature Changes in the Nenana River"

5th - Kate Lebel - "How Do Baking Powder and Baking Soda Work?"

5th - Iris Wappel - "What is the Nitrogen Cycle in an Aquarium?"

NEW SPIRIT OF YOUTH AWARD: Congratulations to our MS/HS ZLAP group who won the Spirit of Youth Award! These students include: Ben Brown, Erin Przybylski, Emma and Will Tomeo, and Ayla Walker. They will be recognized at an awards banquet in Anchorage on 3/29.

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.

**TVCL will be closed
March 10-
13. Happy Spring!**

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL

By the time Spring Break rolls around, so much of my work is focused on August and September. Sometimes it's hard to focus on the here and now because of the planning and preparation required for next year. I get some long days in the office – and many actually IN my office instead of hallways and classrooms. I have to try extra hard to get out into the school and be present.

Today, I was able to schedule some "learning walks" with some teachers. Ms. Mirosh and Ms. Ragland joined me in short observations in classrooms and we were able to visit almost every classroom in the school. Having that time in classrooms and discussing teaching and learning with colleagues helps me really appreciate the hard work that goes into every lesson, the thought and care that so many of the professionals in this school put into instructional design and creating learning environments. Not only do we have excellent staff at Tri-Valley School, staff are willing to give and take feedback from each other in order to improve instruction and learning. This is the work that moves us forward. In the context of such work, Spring Break and the beginning of the school year become just time markers. Learning and growth become the metrics that we look to in order gauge progress, and that is how it should be.

School Events (Continued)

NEW PARENT/ TEACHER

CONFERENCES: These will be held on Wednesday, March 27th from 10 am – 5:45 pm,. There is no school for students. Please call Sarah at 683-2267 or email at: sarahwalker@dbdsd.org to schedule appointments. Thank you!

Counselor Corner

INTERNET SAFETY: On Monday, March 25 from 5:30-7:30pm at Tri-Valley School, you are invited to a parent class on internet safety. Students 5th through 12th will participate in classes during the school day. Rachel Gernat is an engaging and knowledgeable presenter who spent years as a lawyer and Assistant District Attorney in the state of Alaska. **Dinner is provided! Menu is spaghetti, salad, and dessert.** Special thanks to Usibelli Coal Mine for sponsoring this event. If you have questions please feel free to contact Stephanie at (907) 683-2267, extension 5127, or stephaniestickle@dbdsd.org.

NEW THE SCOTT MENKE SUMMIT SCHOLARSHIP:

The Scott Menke Summit Scholarship is available to all graduating Denali Borough students pursuing a post-secondary education or trade school. The strongest candidates will demonstrate traits similar to those possessed by Scott – a good friend and peer leader who has had a positive influence in the community and who is involved in extra curricular activities. Scholarship amounts will be awarded as follows: the first place recipient will receive \$2,500; second place recipient will receive \$1,500; and the third place recipient will receive \$1,000. Application information was emailed out by Mrs. Stickle. Feel free to contact her for more information.

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. ****LAST DAY OF LUNCH: APRIL 23rd****

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. ****LAST DAY OF LUNCH: APRIL 24th****

THURSDAY LUNCH: Spaghetti, salad, and fruit. \$4 (K-5), and \$5 (6- 12 grades). Fundraiser for 8th grade class trip. ****LAST DAY OF LUNCH: APRIL 25th****

FIESTA FRIDAY LUNCH: Lion's Club is serving tacos again this year! 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. ****LAST DAY OF LUNCH: MARCH 29th****

Community Events

VOLLEYBALL CAMP: There will be a local volleyball camp for students entering grades 6 through 12 (for 2019-20 school year) on June 24th and 25th from 10 am – 12 pm and 1 pm – 3 pm. Cost is \$60. Sign up sheet to come. Any questions, please contact Danielle Mayo

NEW COMMUNITY APPRECIATION

DAY: Sponsored by Alaska State Troopers and Tri – Valley Volunteer Fire Department. This fun event on April 27th will be at the Tri- Valley Community Center from 12 pm – 4 pm. There will be food, ice cream, and fun games! All of the emergency vehicles will be out for the kids to look at and there will be some other fun emergency equipment like the Alaska State Troopers helicopter and other surprises.

