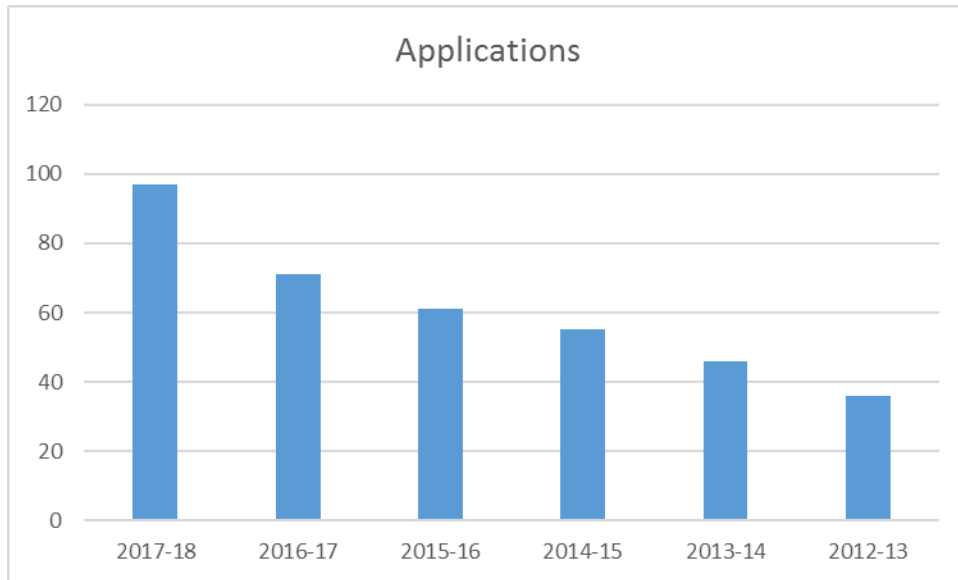


**Kenai Peninsula Borough School District  
Handout: KPBSD Key Communicators, October 25, 2018**

Competitive Grant Application Efforts continue for KPBSD staff. The majority of applications have been applied for by school staff (Aug to Aug). Please see below graph indicating increase in number of applications staff members are applying for across time. Huge thank you to all those who make the extra effort to apply and congratulations to those that have received awards. Another huge thanks to the organizations that offer these opportunities in support of education.



Current district competitive grants being implemented:

- Andeavor (Tesoro) grant applications were submitted for a grand total of \$277,857 in 2017-18 and KPBSD was awarded \$175,000 targeting expansion of STEAM opportunities for students. In 2018-19 we submitted follow up applications and have received news of \$85,000 award notification to expand our program offerings.
- GCI Alaska Community Foundation – Suicide Prevention = \$20,000 – Grant cycle completed Fall 2018 that funded Sources of Strength (SOS) training, and attendance to UpStream Conference
  - We received this grant \$20,000 again this year – 2018-2019 to help fund SOS and the Conference again.
  - And another \$10,000 specifically ear marked to run the student led conference
- SAPP Grant – 3 years - \$25,000 (minimum per year) – We are in the second year of implementation
  - Year 1 – (16/17) Fourth R training of Trainers; Four Schools – SOS training (\$28,000)
  - Year 2 – (17/18) Refresher Training and Initial Training for SOS and we will likely fund another two schools this spring if funds available. (\$31,000 plus any carryover state sends our way)
  - Year 3 -- (18/19) Training of Trainers for SOS and training for students to support SOS
    - We are in the 3rd year of this grant and hope to re-apply this winter
- Project Aware is a five year grant targeting Youth Mental Health supports and we are in year four. This is a partnership grant with the state Department of Education and two other districts (Anchorage and Mat-Su).
  - Salaries (.25% of Coordinator, 1 counselor Kenai Alt and 1 counselor Homer Flex), training and supplies \$237,680
  - At this time, there is no plan at DEED to continue, but there is hope that another grant opportunity will become available. Alaska has solid and compelling data to apply for more grants and topics of future meetings will be planning for sustainability if another grant is not awarded. Last year of this grant – no plan at his time to continue the program.

- Novo Foundation Grant - \$25,000 to fund ACES training for staff and community. Dr. Linda Chamberlain – 4-5 days with emodules, 1 credit course will be available for certified staff.
- Alaska Community Foundation Grant of \$20,000 supports students efforts to earn pre-employment Cook Inlet Training Standards toward industry certifications.

Significant partnerships:

- Chugachmiut
  - Grant provides development and exhibition of Heritage Kits for Seward schools, Port Graham and Nanwalek.
  - Headstart in Nanwalek and Port Graham.
  - Language Grant provides training to develop Sugt'sen language teachers with goal of two for Nanwalek and one for Port Graham. Provides Sugt'sen language speakers in the schools.
  - Behavioral Health services.
  - Nanwalek and Port Graham teacher culture training.
  - Ongoing coordination of projects and grant pursuit.
- North Pacific Rim Housing
  - Work with us to provide teacher housing in Nanwalek.
  - Currently working to expand and improve Headstart facility in Nanwalek.
  - Working with us on funding application and plan for additional teacher housing and possible long term plan for instructional space in Nanwalek.
- Kenaitze
  - Yaghanen tutor at Mt. View Elementary.
  - Kenaitze Construction Academy.
  - Bussing provided to students to participate in tutoring from Kenai Middle School
  - Individual Service Providers (ISPs) coordinated at several central peninsula schools.
  - Native Youth Community Projects (NYCP) grant provides four tutors to KPBSD schools.
  - Kenaitze Indian Tribe Counseling Program provides services to central peninsula.
  - Kenaitze Headstart.
  - Ongoing coordination of projects and grant pursuits.
- Nanwalek IRA Council
  - Provides environmental education lessons (i.e. Recycling, marine debris, trash pickup)
  - Sugpiaq value lessons (assemblies or individual teachers/classrooms).
  - Health initiatives in cooperation with Chugachmiut (i.e. anti-tobacco, health lessons).
  - Partnership with Connect Ed Grant.
- Niniilchik Village Tribe
  - Sponsors Red Ribbon Week.
  - Provides ongoing wellness presentations.
  - Coordinates information with Niniilchik Tribal Council Health Services.
- Seldovia Village Tribe
  - Provides Chapman school Healthy choice lessons.
  - Coordinates Seldovia open gym (BB, VB, Swimming), targeted programming/activities, Ch'anik'na Children's House.
- Port Graham Village Council
  - Provides guest speakers to school on health initiatives through Chugachmiut. Substance abuse and health talks with students. Environmental education and community cleanup.
  - Partnership with hatchery, tribe, and school.
  - Eggs to Elders program.
- Project GRAD Project GRAD Kenai Peninsula (PGKP) is a comprehensive educational support non-profit that has worked in partnership with the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District (KPBSD) since 2003 to enhance educational experiences for students in some of the most remote and isolated communities on the Peninsula.

- This partnership focuses on improving graduation rates, reducing the dropout rate, increasing academic achievement and postsecondary awareness and readiness, building leadership skills, and supporting youth development through positive and productive adult/youth connection.
- PGKP coordinates the Kenai Peninsula Native Youth Leadership (KPNYL) program. KPNYL programming and activities help students build Native and cultural pride throughout the district.
- PGKP has an Alaska Department of Education and Early Development 21st Century Community Learning Center grant. PGKP is in year 1 of a 5-year grant to deliver afterschool programming for 5 schools (Kachemak Selo, Voznesenka, Razdolna, Nikolaevsk, and Ninilchik.) Programming focus is on STEAM activities, Collaborative Circle/Communication, movement, and positively impacting achievement in grades 3-8.
- PGKP provides academic support coaches for students and teachers, assists students with postsecondary enrollment, transition, and completion, and helps students connect their strengths, skills, and interests to further educational training and career pathways through a GEAR UP grant that spanned 2005-2017 (no cost extension through 2018).
- Funding from KPBSD, the US Department of Education Alaska Native Education Program and GEAR UP grants, and corporate and private donations allow Project GRAD to contribute talent and expertise to students, schools, and families.
- Qutekcak provided NYO instruction to students at Skyview MS with PE teacher for one week.
- Tebughna Foundation
  - Provides school supplies for students.
  - Funds educational activities such as bringing guest speakers to Tyonek to speak with the students, i.e. recently brought out several guests from different branches of law enforcement to educate students on their jobs, what happens when someone gets in trouble, etc.
  - Ongoing coordination of projects and grant pursuits.
- Tyonek Native Corporation works with Tebughna Foundation (TF) by providing funds that TF uses to support students.
- Native Village of Tyonek supports Tebughna School by volunteering to work with students. Works with Tebughna School to put in various activities (i.e. Halloween Carnival, Christmas Program).
- Tyonek Tribal Conservation District-“Since 2014, TTCD has coordinated regular visits to the Tebughna School throughout the school year to provide science education through hands-on activities on topics such as the salmon life cycle, watershed ecology, the plant life cycle and plant anatomy, and all aspects of gardening and now a hydroponics unit in the school. TTCD also coordinates educational opportunities during the summer months to coincide with youth camps.”
- ExxonMobil Transportation supports Title I schools by donating funds since 2014.
  - Provides transportation expenses (airfare for across the water schools, bus expenses including driver per diem) for Title I schools to attend the STEM field trips listed below:
    - Alaska SeaLife Center
    - Challenger Learning Center
    - Alaska Island & Ocean Center
    - Center of Alaska Coastal Studies
- Office of Children’s Services (OCS) partners with us on coordinated support of students in need.
- Kenai Prevention Network provides a borough wide network of health services.
- Peninsula Community Health Services provides school based programs supporting behavioral health services.
- South Peninsula Behavioral Health Services provides school based programs supporting behavioral health services and student skill development.
- Frontier Community Services Infant Learning Program transitions children with disabilities as infants to school based services.
- Homer Sprouts transitions children with disabilities as infants to school based services.
- Seaview Community Services transitions children with disabilities as infants to school based services.
- Seward Community Health Clinic will be providing counseling services in our schools for students in crisis.
- Project Search is a collaboration with the hospital to develop postsecondary transition skills.

- Department of Vocational Rehabilitation is a collaboration that accesses and provides postsecondary transitional skills.
- CICADA is a collaboration between Cook Inlet Council on Alcohol & Drug Abuse and the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District to provide counseling and support services for students struggling with substance abuse issues. A substance abuse counselor will be available to provide intake evaluation, groups, and individual counseling to students that are eligible for services.
- Kenai Peninsula College
  - Supports student credit acquisitions through Jumpstart, Dual Credit, Concurrent Credit, and Tech Prep articulated agreements.
  - Supports professional development opportunities for teachers through articulated course offerings.
- University of Alaska Anchorage
  - Supports professional development opportunities for teachers through articulated course offerings.
  - Supports Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program (ANSEP) that KPBSD has sent students to for several years.

KPBSD staff (Homeless Liaisons) participate in these groups in an effort to both increase awareness of the local homeless issue and related community needs, and to obtain information about available activities and supports that could benefit the students and families of the Students In Transition (SIT) Program.

- Continuum of Care is a regional planning group that coordinates housing and funding for homeless families & individuals
  - In addition to direct CoC meetings and functions, multiple other activities, committees and events stem from this group, including the Coordinated Entry System, Project Homeless Connect, and the Shelter Development Work Group, all of which Central Peninsula Liaison is involved in.
- Central Peninsula Children's Team coordinates information and resource sharing of local supports that are geared towards the children and youth of the Kenai Peninsula (Public Health, DJJ, OCS, KPBSD, Frontier, etc.), providing opportunities for awareness, collaboration, and partnership.
- Sources of Strength Adult Advisor at Soldotna High School for the school-based, student-driven, Up-Stream suicide prevention and wellness program.
- Mobilizing for Action through Planning and Partnerships (MAPP) is a networking team discussing the needs (physical, mental, economic, educational, cultural, and environmental) of the greater Homer community, including vulnerable youth populations.
- Homelessness Task-force is a group working to find solutions to Homer-area homelessness, with a direct focus on homeless youth
- Homer-area Service Provider Forum member – information and resource sharing meeting of local supports, providing opportunities for collaboration and partnership.
- Opioid Task-force in Homer – local group talking about seeking solutions for issues surrounding opioid use, including homelessness.