



# KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

Your child participated in the 2019 Performance Evaluation for Alaska's Schools (PEAKS) summative assessment for English Language Arts (ELA), Mathematics, and Science. These results are only one part of the overall picture informing us of how well our students and schools are doing to meet all the grade level expectations identified by Alaska State Standards. Your child's results will be available through the PowerSchool Parent Portal starting September 6, 2019.

KPBSD focuses on continual improvement, creating lifelong learners, and believes the shift toward increased emphasis on personalized learning, problem solving and critical thinking will make a positive difference on all assessments that are implemented in our schools.

PEAKS results are a single data point that can be used in conjunction with all other data points to identify where students are on their personal learning path and where supports might be provided. I encourage you to talk with your student's teacher about the results and their place in the overall picture of how your student is doing, and ways to support them on their path to lifelong learning.

Parents/Guardians have the authority to object to and withdraw their child from standards based assessments, or tests required by the State. [The Curriculum and Assessment Opt-Out Form](#) must be completed annually and submitted to the school. The form can be found at this link: <http://bit.ly/2IAPbca>

Student reports will be available through the PowerSchool Parent Portal September 6, 2019. If you need help accessing these results, please contact the school.

You can find parent resources on the Alaska Department of Education PEAKS webpage: <https://education.alaska.gov/assessments> to assist with understanding these state required evaluations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "T Vlasak".

Tim Vlasak