Student Representative Report for April 2021 Submitted by Brooke Singson

My name is Brooke Singson, and I am a junior at BHS. My monthly report covers the following schools: Barrow High School, Ipalook Elementary, Meade River School, Alak School, and Kiita Learning Center.

Alak School

In Wainwright, Alak School has been focusing on suicide prevention and providing resources as well as educating students. Students have spent the last month participating in the Message of Hope. Along with that, students have been eager to begin participating in volleyball, which began this April. Elementary students had their own activities as well, including an Easter coloring contest.

Teachers and students are very grateful they are that they were able to move to green status and have school as normal. Students are now back in their classrooms and are continuing to work hard, while teachers and seniors prepare for graduation in May!

Meade River School

At the Meade River School in Atqasuk, they incorporated a robotics class where students were able to learn how to build robots and build their very own. These robots were but on display as one of the stations at the schools open house. They also have been engaging students with a culinary arts class, who were able to make dessert for the community which was served at the school's open house. During this time, 3rd quarter honor roll and attendance awards were also given out to students.

The last week of March marked the first volleyball practice, and students have expressed that they are having lots of fun being active and being able to compete against each other. They are extremely grateful that they are able to have sports again.

Barrow High School

Since February 22, BHS has been in yellow status and has had about 55-75 students in the building each day. During this time all students have been practicing sanitizing hands, wearing masks, and social distancing. They have students on a block schedule with 90-minute class periods, which provides students with the opportunity to earn eight credits this year opposed to typically being able to only earn seven. On March 30th, there were 29 students who took the ACT and graduation has been set to Saturday, May 8th.

In regard to activities, basketball practices started on March 11th. The teams were unable to compete in regionals but were placed in a lottery for state. Unfortunately, neither the boys or the girls were picked for state, but they will be travelling to compete in tournaments on April 17th and 18th, as well as May 1st and 2nd. Wresting also opened back up, and practices began on March 29th.