

Site Report – Perryville – December, 2021

To: Superintendent Kasie Luke
and LPSD School Board Members

From: Taryn Williams, Head Teacher

Outstanding Activities and Events

- We were able to hold our annual Christmas event on December 17th, right before winter break. Elementary and Preschool students performed two dances, high school students played “Jingle Bells” on the keyboard, and Sallena Kosbruk played “We Wish You a Merry Christmas” on the xylophone! Students also presented their gingerbread creations at the event.



Personnel

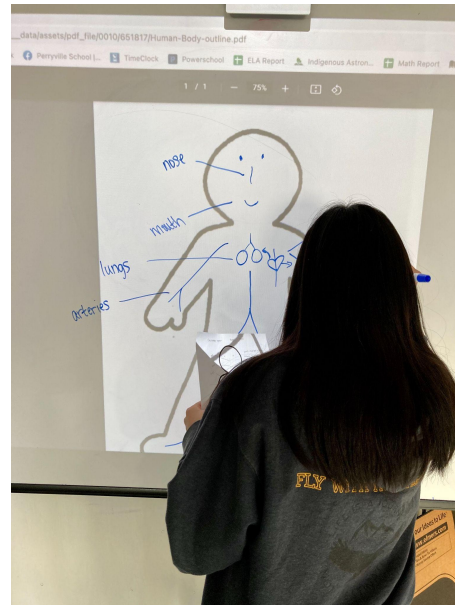
- We were so grateful to welcome a tutor this spring, Abby Wiegand from New York! She's only been here for a few days so far, but she has already made a wonderful addition to our team. We're particularly interested in her background in Music Education and how that will be beneficial to our students.
- We continue to have great substitute coverage and have been able to fill every position each day.

Standards Based System/Curriculum Progress

- Preschool students have had a busy few months—most recently, they made traditional drums and practiced writing their names!
- Elementary students have made amazing strides in writing and continue to publish interesting and exciting stories.
- Middle school students have been working on human rights and different cultures in social studies, as well as studying how and why the earth's surface changes over time.



- High School students have been learning about colonization and recently completed a critical film study of Pocahontas. They have also moved onto life science and have been enjoying all of the experiments we've been able to do!



Technology Progress

- Megan Maloney has stepped up as our Technology Liaison, which has already been a great help! We are expecting to be able to accomplish a lot more having a dedicated team member to serve in this role.

Facility Update

- We're exploring our options about getting a built-in volleyball net option at the moment. All of the materials for this are here, but Tim is working to determine whether that type of system will work in our gym.

LSAC Activity

- Our LSAC has continued to support the development of our school. Currently, they're working with us to create a culture camp with the \$5,000 grant we received from BBNA.

Volunteer Report

- Thank you to Audrey O'Domin and Kennisha Shangin who have both volunteered to cover the open gym hours that we haven't yet received funding for!

Professional Development

- Megan is excited to have moved into the final semester of her Master’s degree! She is currently starting on her final research project.
- Taryn has just finished her Earthquakes and Tsunamis course, which she found to be very beneficial for our region. She’s now working on her Alaska Studies requirement for professional certification.

Pupil Attendance

- Our attendance went down right after break—due to many flights being delayed—but we are back up to our daily attendance goal!

Student and Staff Safety

- Both students and staff have been diligent about following our COVID safety protocols, which has allowed us to remain COVID free. There were a few cases in the village in October, but those have since cleared back up.

Subsistence Calendar

- Our students have continued to take advantage of the amazing opportunities available to them; one student used his summer to start work on his experiencing out credit and just finished it in December!

Other

- We are considering the possibility of welcoming a student teacher next year.
- Jim and Taryn have been working with a few geologists from Penn State University to create an earthquake and tsunami curriculum for teachers on the Alaska Peninsula.
- Students have been making progress on their virtual CTE courses and one student recently finished. Their topics ranged from Aviation to Behavioral Health!

