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School Board Report
 August 2024

Enrollment (as of August 17)

2023/2024

Families Pending: 106
 Families Enrolled: 145
Total: 251

Students Pending: 168
 Students Enrolled: 239
Total: 407

For comparison purposes:

- **August 17, 2023** numbers were 255 families and 423 students

FTE Trends

School Year	FTE
2024/2025	To be determined
2023-/2024	428.63
2022/2023	455.75
2021/2022	485.36
2020/2021	668.51
2019/2020	318.65
2018/2019	244.00
2017/2018	234.62

PACE is currently focused on enrolling new and returning students. The enrollment process includes meeting with families to create student learning plans, ordering academic materials, and checking out technology. August and September are typically our busiest enrollment months and so far, we continue that trend. We will begin DIBELS testing at the end of August.

PACE Outreach

Advertising on multiple platforms is successful. We sent out increased ads on Facebook recently and have seen success as new family enrollment has increased. Other modes of advertising include Facebook, YouTube, and Google AdWords. Google searches and Facebook have provided the biggest returns from advertising.

CRAIG

100 School Road
 P.O. Box 800
 Craig, AK 99921
 907-373-9701 Option 4

KETCHIKAN

2417 Tongass Ave.
 Suite 209C
 Ketchikan, AK 99901
 907-373-9701 Option 2

ANCHORAGE

4241 B. St.
 Suite 203
 Anchorage, AK 99517
 907-373-9701 Option 1

WASILLA

351 Parks Hwy.
 Suite 101
 Wasilla, AK 99654
 907-373-9701 Option 3

PACE Staffing

The 2024-2025 school year has had changes in staffing. Heather Mendonsa replaced Christina Woodward as principal, and she is housed at the Craig City School District. Heather will provide services to the Prince of Wales families, as well as overflow from surrounding areas. Jen Whicker is now working full time in the Ketchikan office, and she oversees the remaining southeast region.

Alice Patten resigned as the Ketchikan administrative assistant / grad coach over the summer. Her position has been advertising and the hiring process in progress. Maria Riedel resigned as the PACE counselor. Her position was merged with Melissa Peavey's job as the Craig School District counselor.

In summary:

New Positions
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Heather Mendonsa (in-district move to principal/teacher)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Melissa Peavey (in-district job assignment reallocation)
Resigned from PACE
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alice Patton (administrative assistant - Ketchikan)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Christina Woodward (principal/teacher)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Maria Riedel (resigned as counselor)

School Improvement

PACE continues to use our A3 goals to guide our work for the year. Last year we focused on implementing the AK Reads Act. This year, we will focus on the goal that states, "PACE will provide parents with a greater knowledge to educate children." Objective 3 states that 90% of PACE families are proactive and self-sufficient with work samples, quarterly grades, and Purchase requests. This includes submitting work samples on or before the due date. The last available data showed an average of 85% in on-time work samples. This goal will be achieved by providing training to parents through videos, Zoom calls, shared examples of what is needed for work samples, and coaching in the use of technology and MyPace for

reporting. The extra personalized support at the beginning of the year will ensure they understand what they need to submit, why it is important, and how it leads to student success.

We will continue to work individually as a school and with the district as a whole to adjust and implement our MTSS plan.

The first PACE inservice of the year will be held virtually in early November.

Appreciations

A huge thank you to the PACE staff who have been so gracious in training the new principal and covering the open administrative position.