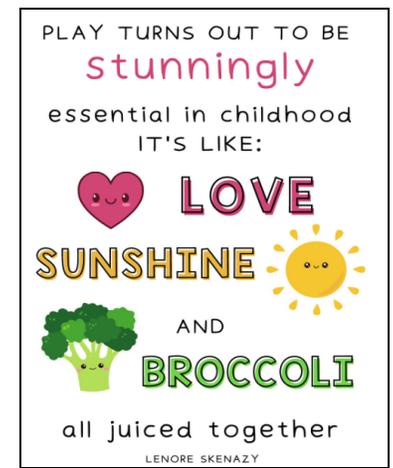


# Early Learning & Literacy Grant-Board Report

March 2023

## Student Numbers: Total- 41

Chignik Lake- 4 Nondalton- 3 Newhalen- 13 Perryville- 2 Port Alsworth- 4	Kokhanok- 6 Chignik Lagoon- 4 Port Heiden- 3 Igiugig- 2 (Sub)	*Pilot Point- No program *Levelock- No Staffing *Chignik Bay- Program Closed
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## 2023-24 Student Projections: Total- 44

<b>Kokhanok: 6</b> 3- 3y & 3- 4y <b>Newhalen: 14</b> 12- 3y & 2- 4y <b>Nondalton: 2</b> 2- 4y <b>Port Alsworth: 3</b> 2- 3y & 1- 4y	<b>Chignik Lake: 1</b> 1- 4y <b>Chignik Lagoon: 3</b> 1- 3y & 2- 4y <b>Port Heiden: 5</b> 3- 3y & 2- 4y <b>Perryville: 4</b> 2- 3y & 2- 4y	<b>Igiugig: 1</b> 1- 4y <b>Levelock: 2</b> 2- 3y <b>Chignik Bay: 1</b> 1- 4y <b>Pilot Point: 2</b>
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Hi my name is [redacted] and this is my second year of preschool. I like the puzzles, the books we have in our classroom, and playing in our kitchen. I also like to go to the gym.

**All About "Me"**  
Nondalton



**Making Visors**  
Perryville



**NYO Practice**  
Newhalen



**Family Game Night**  
Chignik Lagoon



**Little Mushers**  
Kokhanok



**Snacktime Math**  
Tanailian

## PreK Updates

### Professional Development

- CLASS #2- Observations: Scheduling for March 27-31
- Weekly & Monthly Check-ins

### Planning for April & May

- Post: Brigance Screening (April)
- Teaching Strategies: Checkpoint #3 (May)
- Kindergarten Snapshots (April)
- Family Meetings & Events (April & May)
- Planning End of Year Celebrations!

### Family Surveys to be released

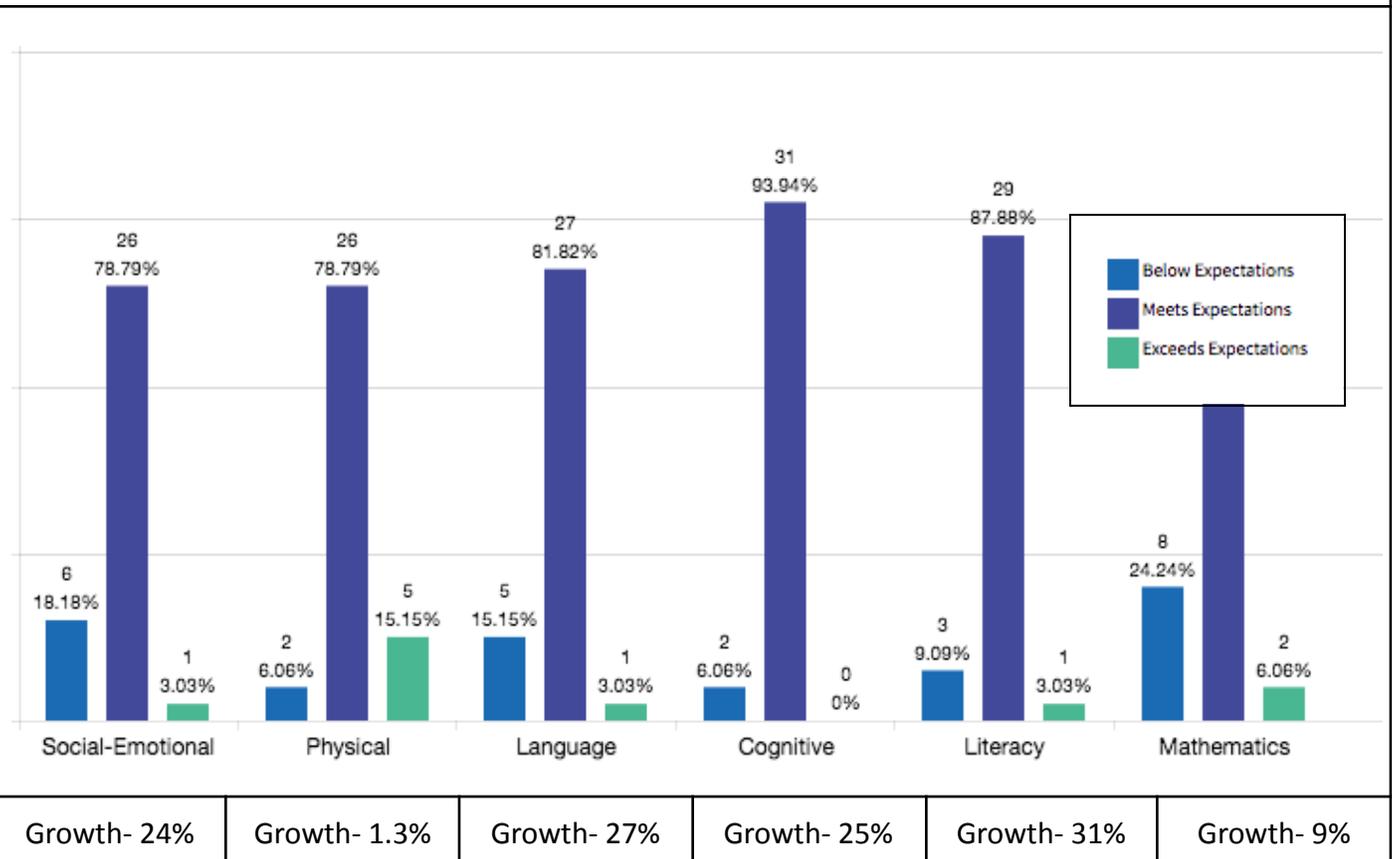
- Provides valuable feedback about program effectiveness

### Alaska Native Languages App

- Updates to be released soon!

## Winter 2022-23- Widely Held Expectations: Teaching Strategies

### Winter Progress Checkpoint & Percentage of Growth from Fall 2022



## Looking Ahead.....

As we look forward into the direction of the State, in conjunction with the AK Reads Act, we have begun strategically planning for the future of our early learning programs.

### Alaska Reads Act- Early Learning Component

- Attending AK Reads Webinar Series- March 9, 10, 16, 23
- Evaluating- Alaska Early Education Program Standards- Under final review by the State
- Advocating for continued support of 3 year olds to attend (potentially needing separate funding)
- Implementing Parents as Teachers- Through the Department of Health
- Reviewing eligibility to apply for .05 ADM to cover 4 and 5 year old children- FY23-24
- Learn More: <https://education.alaska.gov/akreads/early-education-programs2>

### Additional Funding Opportunities- DEED

- Applying for Pre-Elementary Program Grant (April 2023)
- Intended to support currently operating initiatives

## Family Engagement Curriculum

### BRIDGE- Egg Collecting

Borrow, Read, Investigate, Design, Grow, & Explore

**BRIDGE - Borrow**

Materials:

- 2 Books
- Plush Polar Bear
- Green Eggs (set of 6)

Now is a great time to practice counting skills by making sure all of the materials are in the kit

**BRIDGE - Explore**

Explore the Language App!

Can you find these words?

Sea Gull

Eggs

Grass

**Includes-** Books, Plush Polar Bear, Set of Speckled Eggs, BRIDGE Card Deck

#### **Read & Investigate:**

- Read books to learn about mindful harvesting of gull eggs and explore different types of birds.
- Engage in activities that support: comprehension, reading stamina, fine motor skills, making comparisons, positional words & more!
- Practice numeration skills through a variety of math games with the eggs.

#### **Design & Grow:**

- Design an Apron together and discuss the array of “lines” used to create the garment.
- Learn about a career as a Park Ranger!

#### **Explore:**

- Find theme-related words from within the CHILD-Alaska Native Languages App.

*\*\*Visit a local PreK room to see the curriculum!*

## CLSD Literacy Grant- State (Year 4)

- Mentor Program
  - Mentors & Mentees Survey to be released- provides valuable feedback about program effectiveness
  - Session #4- Alaska Statewide Mentor Cohort to occur in March 28, 30, & April 1 (final session)
- Family Resources
  - Alaska Learns: <https://aklearns.org/path-to-progress/>
- Literacy Focused Social Media Posts for Families
  - FY22-23 Theme: **Sharing Literacy Throughout the Seasons!**
  - **March.** (Scheduled): Iditarod Race, Calming & Mindfulness Strategies, Questions to Engage in Meaningful Conversations with Teens.
  - Find these resources, links & games on the District Facebook Page!
- CLSD Grant Sunset- June 2023
  - Outlining plans for for achieving grant initiatives in its final year
  - CLSD Convening- April 13th (end of year goal setting and updates)

## Early Literacy Bags (Birth to PreK)

- Updates being made for the community list of children
- Any updates received will have literacy bags delivered in April