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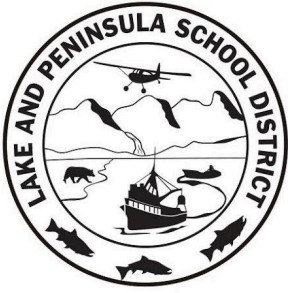
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Date: February 1, 2024  
To: LPSD School Board Members  
From: Bill Cornell- Director of Personnel  
Re: February Personnel Report

## Updates:

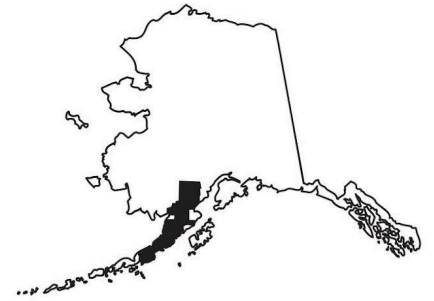
- We welcomed a large group of staff, including student teachers, tutors, and teachers for the spring semester... 13 staff in total. We are grateful for the additional help these individuals will provide throughout the spring semester. Training for new staff occurred at Chugach School District's Voyage to Excellence School once again. "Thank You!" Chugach School District for continuing to partner with LPSD. Being able to partner with CSD and other districts in similar manners has resulted in significant cost savings.
- I want to thank the following individuals, who are resigning at the end of their current contracts, for their service to LPSD:
  - ◆ Katie Zimmerman- Ms. Zimmerman has been a longstanding staff member at Meshik School, having started in 2015 as a Special Education and elementary teacher. Throughout almost a decade of serving at Meshik School, she and her family have been a steady presence. Thank you for your service, and dedication to LPSD!
  - ◆ Sean Adams- Two years ago this spring, Mr. Adams stopped by the LPSD booth at the Minnesota Educator Job Fair, not even considering Alaska as a possibility! LPSD and Newhalen school are grateful for you deciding to head north with your family, to teach at Newhalen School for the past two years!
  - ◆ Paula and Larry Butler- Throughout this year, Mr. and Mrs. Butler have added much to the Perryville staff, serving as elementary, SPED, and secondary teachers. It doesn't take long being around Mr. and Mrs. Butler to see that they are caring individuals, who have the best interest of students at heart. Thank you for your service to LPSD!
  - ◆ Jeff Hagen- What some folks might not know, is that Mr. Hagen started off with LPSD at Chignik Lagoon for the 2010-2011 school year! Mr. Hagen returned to LPSD in 2019 to serve as the Special Education and Head Teacher in Nondalton. Folks who know Mr. Hagen know that he pitched in and served in many capacities, and always did so with a big heart for kids. Thank you for your service, Mr. Hagen!
  - ◆ Rob Fagerquist- What a varied LPSD career! Mr. Fagerquist started with LPSD in 2012 at Nondalton, student teaching with Ms. Nicole Metzgar, and then Substitute Teaching for the remainder of the semester. In the spring of 2013 he served as a Tutor in Chignik Lake, followed by two years as a teacher, and three years as a Head Teacher there. This



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was followed by being Head Teacher and then Principal-Teacher for two years in Perryville. For the past three years, Mr. Fagerquist has served as Principal of Kokhanok School. Throughout his tenure with LPSD, Mr. Fagerquist has been a well respected educator. You will be missed!

- The Draft 2024-2025 School Calendar has been discussed with our Admin Team, and feedback has been, and will continue to be gathered from staff. A draft calendar is attached to the Board's packet for consideration. After the Board's initial approval, the calendar will go to LSACs for further review and feedback, before proposing final site calendars to the Board in April.

## Contract Adjustments:

- FY 24 and FY25 contracts, contract adjustments, and salary schedule movement are outlined on the Personnel Approval List.

## Recruitment:

- We are currently fully staffed for the spring semester
- Teacher contracts were offered on January 12. Teachers have until February 11 to either accept or reject their contract offer. We appreciate teachers who have indicated their intent, as this allows us to start the recruiting process early, and better prepare our sites for the coming school year.
- The following FY25 Certified positions are posted to LPSD's website, as well as Alaska Teachers and Personnel's website. We will be conducting interviews and hiring for these positions starting next week.
  - ◆ Perryville- Elementary Teacher
  - ◆ Perryville- Secondary Teacher
  - ◆ Meshik School- Elementary Teacher- Level 0-3 Focus
  - ◆ Meshik School- Elementary/Middle Teacher- Level 4-8 Focus
  - ◆ Igiugig- Secondary Generalist Teacher
  - ◆ Newhalen- Secondary Generalist Teacher- Math Focus
  - ◆ Nondalton- Elementary Teacher- Primary Experience Beneficial
  - ◆ Nondalton- SPED Teacher- Elementary Experience Preferred