Site Report – Newhalen – January, 2022

To: Superintendent Kasie Luke and LPSD School Board Members

From: Ed Lester, Principal

Outstanding Activities and Events

We had a wonderful Christmas program that was open to the community. Thank you to all the staff for the time and effort and pulling this off. Newhalen LSAC allowed us to open the event with mitigation to the general public.

Personnel

We are excited and would like to welcome our student teachers and tutors to Newhalen School.



Andrew Fenner will be student teaching with us in our Elementary classroom.



Jarred Jermacans will be a student teacher with us in our Elementary classroom.



Madeline Brandt is our tutor that will be working with all of our classrooms to support student growth.

Standards Based System

Staff met on Tuesday and discussed assessments. Thank you to Kate Cornell and Patty McCaslend for facilitating this discussion.

Curriculum Progress

Students are working on many levels and pushing hard through the curriculum.

Technology Progress

We are thankful for our new tech liaison, Patty, as she has spearheaded some of our local issues.

Facility Update

Thank you for our maintenance crew for keeping an oversight of our facility as the local tempertures dropped last month. Everything seemed to hold up well and the building and housing stayed comfortable. We continue to struggle with ice and snow forming in the crevasse near the back door of the high school bathroom hallway.

LSAC Activity

LSAC's last meeting in December the committee was clear that they wanted the school to take steps to return to as much in person activities and events as possible. Our next LSAC Meeting is on 1/25. Everyone is always welcome to attend.

Volunteer Report

Alexis Balluta has begun Yupik dance with elementary students again.

Trips Planned-None

Basketball season is beginning! Students will be traveling every weekend to various places around Bristol Bay.

Pupil Attendance

Pupil attendance has varied due to COVID concerns.

Student and Staff Safety

This week we discussed the dangers of knocking down extremely large icicles around the school.

Subsistence Calendar

We continue to encourage families to make appointments and travel plans outside of the school year.

Other