

February 2025 Curriculum Report To: LPSD School Board Members and Superintendent Kasie Luke **From:** Nicole Metzgar, Curriculum Director

LPSD Professional Development

March 7: This is a district wide In-service day at the end of Quarter 3. The goal of this In-service is to give teachers time to update Power School Records. Currently there are no planned district wide virtual trainings.

Spring Floating In-service Day: Each LSAC chooses one floating spring In-service day. These days vary from site to site and are organized by Site Principals and Head Teachers.

Curriculum

Alutiiq Language Curriculum: BBBSD & LPSD are partners in a newly awarded TC2H Grant. Planning conversations between partners have begun to determine the best way to build resources to incorporate Alutiiq language into curriculums. Here is a little bit of information about the TC2H for those who are just hearing about it for the first time:

The Bristol Bay Foundation was recently awarded a three-year Alaska Native Education (ANE) grant titled "Teaching Culture, Honoring Heritage: Bristol Bay's Native Language Empowerment Collaborative (TC2H)." This program brings together six villages in the Lake and Peninsula School District (LPSD)-Chignik Bay, Chignik Lagoon, Chignik Lake, Perryville, Port Heiden and Pilot Point communities- the Bristol Bay Borough School District, and the Bristol Bay Foundation to revitalize the Alutiiq language and the unique Lake Iliamna dialects.

Dena'inaq & Yugcetun Virtual Language Courses: Spring Language Courses began on 1/29/25 and will continue throughout the semester. Our Language Program is popular. Over 300 people are joining the virtual zoom lessons to learn the local indigenous language of the Region. <u>LINK to Registration</u>.

Alaska Peninsula Sugt'stun/Alutiiq Virtual Language Courses In partnership with BBRCTE and IVC, high school students for LPSD are invited to learn the local Alutiiq language of our Region. Classes begin March 17th and will go until April 25th. Optional credit will be available for students who proficiently complete the course which includes active participation and attendance. LINK to Course Information

Spring Yuraq Song & Dance Zoom Sessions: This semester, BBRCTE is partnering with Our Language Program instructor, Atkiq Ilutsik-Snyder, to provide local Indigenous Song and Dance Zoom sessions every Friday from 12:30-1PM starting Feb 7th and ending on April 25th. <u>LINK to Registration</u>

End of Level Assessment Updates: LPSD is interested in having an optional shorter version of the LV 6-10 Math EOL's LPSD is also looking closely at shifting the LV 9 and 10 End Of Level Prompt assessment. They would like to provide students 3-4 sources to choose from to cite in their writing prompts. Currently, students find their own sources which ends up taking large amounts of time. The writing committee believes that if sources are provided to the students that students will be able to focus their time on writing the assessment instead of spending their time researching ideas for the assessment. While the writing committee values student's being able to do their own research, they believe this shift is more appropriate for a student assessment. We are looking at funding options to provide LPSD teachers stipend to do these assessment updates over the summer.

<u>K-5 Reading Curriculum</u>: LPSD's Reach for Reading Curriculum is expiring this year. We are looking to see if we can use it for FY26 without the online components until a grant is secured to purchase a new curriculum for FY27.

Place Based Education: Teachers and Principals requested time to collaborate and create Place Based Education lessons during January 24ths In-Service Day. Lessons created were shared with the entire LPSD family. Link to the newly created lessons and resources can be found here: <u>LINK</u>.

Dual Credit: A form is now available for LPSD students to add previously earned college credit to their HS transcripts. If a student desires, earned college credits can be counted towards the credits students need to earn an LPSD high school diploma. <u>LINK to form.</u>

<u>Academic Records, transcripts, and GPA's:</u> Updates, analysis, conversations, and training is in constant motion to ensure LPSD's records are up to date and accurate.

It is a pleasure to serve the district. Please reach out as questions arise. Quyana. Chin'an. Nicole Metzgar <u>nmetzgar@lpsd.com</u> (907.781.3201).



Coaching at the Sockeye Tournament at Bristol Bay School allowed the opportunity to collaborate in-person with regional partner, Esther Pepin, about LPSD & BBBSD's Alutiiq Language Curriculum partnership.