



LPSD SHINING STARS, MARCH 2023



NAME	LOCATION	REASON	NOMINATOR, POSITION
McKenna Conselyea	Perryville	McKenna is one of the best elementary teachers I've seen in action. Her room is print rich with student work and anchor charts all around. She utilizes technology in the right way, keeping engagement and interaction between teacher and students high. Students take pride and ownership in their environment. The climate is calm, respectful and fun!!! Every moment in her room is a teaching moment, circle time, center time, independent work time and even as they leave the classroom, exit questions are asked. She is very aware of how her students are feeling at any moment of the day and she lets them know she cares. She also goes above and beyond prepping for her lessons, but at the same time is flexible to allow others to join in. McKenna is truly a shining star and I always feel welcomed when I enter her room. Thank you McKenna for being such a shining star in LPSD!!!!	Tracey Thomas, Itinerant Special Education Teacher
Chastity Anelon	Newhalen	Why this person should be considered an LPSD Shining Star (5-10 sentences) - Chasity is the middle school basketball coach for Newhalen. I had the privilege of watching her with her students when they came to Naknek for a tournament and was able to spend time with her. She has a great group of kids that look up to her and they were very well maintained and very happy. Chasity told me a heartfelt story which involved one of her students on a basketball trip. The student was not having a good day and Chasity went above and beyond by listening and just being there to comfort this student. I am very proud that we have such a caring coach for these young ladies.	Tammi Peterson, Purchasing
Tisha Kalmakoff	Port Heiden	Tisha was so welcoming to those of us that traveled to PTH for the jamboree! She was constantly offering to bring items if people needed them and invited kids over for dinner when they were stuck. She also helped drive folks out to the airstrip when necessary and was always there to help out. This was the first time I met Tisha and she left such a positive impression on me after our time there. It is so wonderful to feel that welcome in a community and I'm very grateful when people like Tisha make it feel that way!	Taryn Williams, Teacher
Courtney Boskofsky	Chignik Lake	Courtney traveled with us to Educators Rising (her first official school trip) and I was SO impressed with the way she handled the travel and represented LPSD! Due to weather delays, she was the last one to arrive and had a long day before she made it in and, despite this, she was positive the whole time. She was very supportive of the other LPSD students who won awards and very engaged in all of the sessions. Overall, she demonstrated great successes and I was so glad to get to know her during this trip! I look forward to seeing Courtney at SNAP Meet in April and other travels next year!	Taryn Williams, Teacher
Clinton Boskofsky	Chignik Lake	When Clinton's daughter, Courtney, was weathered during the Educators Rising trip to Fairbanks, he immediately went into planning action to see if he could still make it work. He did everything he could to see if there were any solutions and didn't give up until he found one. In the end, Courtney was able to make it on the trip and had a wonderful time. As an educator, I'm always impressed by parents that are so invested in supporting their children and my heart was warmed by Clinton's determination. Thank you to Clinton for ensuring Courtney was able to join us!	Taryn Williams, Teacher
Cole Bergman	Port Heiden	Cole is a shining example of an LPSD employee. He is honest, has integrity, is an exceptionally hard worker, and up for any challenges posed. I appreciate his willingness to dive right in where help is needed! Thanks for being awesome, Cole!	Kate Cornell, Principal
Addy Bergman	Port Heiden	Addy came into Meshik School ready to take on our preschoolers and she has done an excellent job preparing them for next year! Her heart for her students is apparent and she truly cares about them and their education. Thank you, Addy, for your care and attention for Meshik's littlest learners!	Kate Cornell, Principal
Stephanie Canning	Port Heiden	Stephanie has stepped up and taken on a variety of roles this semester and I'm grateful to her for being so willing to jump in and help out! Thank you, Steph, for your positive attitude and for taking on all you have. :)	Kate Cornell, Principal
Cassie Broschious	Nondalton	Cassie is an absolute rockstar at record keeping! She is on top of all the things that need to be done and is so organized and put together--a necessity when it comes to her position! Thank you for being awesome and for doing all the work to keep everything above board and moving along. I appreciate you!	Kate Cornell, Curriculum Director
Tisha Kalmakoff	Port Heiden	Tisha volunteered so much of her time during the PTH Jamboree and it was so appreciated! Her cinnamon rolls still make my mouth water... Thanks, Tisha, for being so on top of things and for helping out where it was needed!	Kate Cornell, Principal
Jaclyn Christensen	Port Heiden	Jaclyn donated so many goodies and was such an awesome volunteer during our PTH Jamboree! Thanks for all you do for our students, Jaclyn! It does not go unnoticed. :)	Kate Cornell, Principal

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Maxine Christensen	Port Heiden	Maxine stayed cool, calm, and collected when presented with a couple of challenging situations and I appreciate her willingness to work things out and advocate for student safety. Thanks for being awesome, Maxine!	Kate Cornell, Principal
Katie Zimmerman	Port Heiden	Katie has stepped back into the classroom after her maternity leave is rocking it! Her students are continuing to learn and grow and I appreciate her pleasant demeanor and way of being with her students. I know how hard it is to jump back in and I'm so grateful you're there!	Kate Cornell, Principal
Gerda Kosbruk	Port Heiden	Gerda kept us in hot coffee and homemade treats during the Meshik School Jamboree and I was so grateful for that cup of hot encouragement in the morning! Thank you, Gerda, for all you do for the students of Meshik School--it does not go unnoticed or unappreciated.	Kate Cornell, Principal
Tammi Stroede	King Salmon	Tammi took over travel for LPSD just as our Igiugig School Basketball Jamboree switched to Levelock School, and State Basketball was underway. Our travel requests have many logistical components, including communication with the air taxis; she is also the food service oversight, booking accommodations, planning for vehicle rentals, and ensuring thoughtfulness of timing, last-minute requests, and weather. We are grateful for Tammi's communication in keeping folks in the loop throughout the daily shifts and twists and turns! Thank you, Tammi, for your patience and hard work over the past few weeks.	Kasie Luke, Superintendent