



## LAKE AND PENINSULA SCHOOL DISTRICT



Date: January 3, 2018  
To: Lake and Peninsula School Board  
From: Ty Mase  
Re: Superintendent's Report – January 2018

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**Spring 2018:** With a shortened Spring Semester, we are off to the races trying to get everything done in less time (much like our teachers and students). Our main focus this Spring will be (but not limited to):

- The budget process and looking to sustain our current level of services
- Staffing the District Office and our school sites for the 2018/2019 school year
- Certified staff negotiations (to include principals)
- Working with the CTE Governing Board to hire a Director, cement our collaborative partnerships, and find sustained funding
- Creating Placed Based Education resources for our students wanting to obtain credit outside of our school year
- Lobbying the Legislature for sustained funding, no unfunded mandates, and support for our regional initiatives
- Pursuing funding sources for playground replacements

**Tutors:** With our PEAK scores coming in lower than anticipated and last Spring's teacher recruiting being a challenge, we budgeted for eight (8) instructional tutors for the Spring of 2018 and we hired nine (9). Sadly, due to family illnesses and other personal events, we are already down to six tutors and 3 student teachers. Tutor training will be in Anchorage the second week of January and they will be hitting our sites on the 13<sup>th</sup>. Again, we are hopeful that LPSD will be the right "fit" for these young educators and they will stay and make a career in LPSD.

**Pedro Bay School:** Currently we have separate requests from the Pedro Bay Corporation and the Pedro Bay Village Council to sub-lease our school. The Borough Manager, Nathan Hill, has been working with Pedro Bay (Corporation and Village Council) trying to devise a plan for school use by the village.

**Staffing:** Certified contracts will go out on January 12 and will be due back by February 11. It is hard to tell at this point, but initial thoughts are that we will see a lot of movement in district and our turnover may be larger than normal.

Over Christmas Break, Todd Brewer, our DO shipping and receiving person, took a position with Bristol Bay Telephone. We thank Todd for his work with LPSD and wish him much luck.

**Negotiations:** Negotiations will take place on January 19 and 20 in King Salmon. I will keep the Board informed of the results of this initial meeting.

**Student Safety and Well Being:** With the dark days of winter ahead of us, we will remind staff and students of self regulation supports and ask our counseling team to keep a close eye on our student body. We will also continue safety discussions at staff, LSAC and student meetings.