



- 11/13-15/23 – “Grandma’s House,” Cynthia Erickson from Tannana came to visit Kiita. She is Alice Sage’s Auntie. She spoke to our students on Suicide Prevention with AFN recordings of students giving testimonials on how young people can help stop suicide & domestic violence! Columbian donated to Cynthia many coats and hats that the students won by raffle for participation/listening. Cynthia donated “Grandma’s House” T-shirts to students who took a pledge to help stop suicide & domestic violence. Cynthia brought lots of crafts for the students to make while discussing suicide & domestic violence prevention (earrings made of birch bark, salmon skin, moose intestine, etc.) Kiita Students & Staff Love Cynthia!!!

4/8/24 SAC Meeting & 4/24/24 School Board Meeting

1. **Kiita Events to date:**

- 1/12/24 - Quarter 2 Awards & Recognition Luncheon Community/School/Stakeholder meeting.
- 1/26/24 – AWIC speaker on SEL (Social Emotional Learning), and Anger Management, Cheryl Humme
- 1/29/24, & 1/31/24 – Alice Sage and Brandi Akpik’s classes attended the AEWC (Alaska Eskimo Whaling Commission)
- 3/10/24, 3:15-4:30 Emergency Evacuation training with Mr. Ty Cunningham
- 3/15/24 - Quarter 3 Awards & Recognition Luncheon Community/School/Stakeholder meeting.
- 3/15/24 – Guest speaker, Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation
- 3/15-25/24 – Eight Kiita student council members, Jen Brower, and a parent attended Close Up in Washington D.C.
- 3/27-28/24 – BHS Career Fair, Thanks Mrs. Laura Web, Kiita students attended a ½ day on both sessions in order to hear guest speakers.
- 3/29/24 – Guest speaker, ICAS
- 4/11/24, 2:00 Kiita Graduation meeting
- 4/11/24, 3:00 Kiita FAFSA meeting
- 4/12/24 – Cultural In-Service for NSBSD
- 4/22-26/24 – CTE Artists in Residency with Drew Michael, Mask making. Thirteen Kiita students will be attending.
- 4/29-30 – Spring MAP Testing at Kiita
- 4/30/24 Practice Emergency Evacuation Drill at Kiita
- 5/1/24, 10:00 AM KBRW on Kiita Events
- 5/9/24, 7:00 PM Kiita Learning Community Graduation
- 5/17/24 – Quarter 4 Awards & Recognition Luncheon Community/School/Stakeholder meeting.
- 5/17/24 Last Student Contact Day

2. **Our Kiita Learning Community Student Council has been busy!**

- Volunteer work/activities – Kiita Student Council-
 - January – PSA with AWIC on Healthy Teen Dating on KBRW
- Donations - Funding Raising for CloseUp in Washington D.C.-
 - 9/2/23 - AC donated \$2,500.00 to Kiita Learning Community Student Council, Thanks so very Much!!!
 - 9/20/23 – ConocoPhillips donated \$5,000 to our Kiita Student Council, Thanks so very Much!!!

- October - City of Utqiagvik donated \$10,000, Thanks so very Much!!!
- Arctic Education Foundation (AEF) donated \$5,000, Thanks so very Much!!!
- 8/26/23 - ICAS BarBW at Kiita, food donated by ICAS \$1,827.00, Thanks so very Much!!!
- ASTAC - \$500, Thanks so very Much!!!
- NVB - \$3,200, Thanks so very Much!!!
- CloseUp in Washington D.C.-
 - =\$29,366.00 raised for Close Up for 8 students. \$28,772.00 paid to Close Up (includes dorm, food, & transportation at CloseUp to field trips).

3. Kiita Learning Community Enrollment and Graduation Information:

1. Enrollment, Quarter 4, Fall FY23/24, Day students – total 42 (27 Seniors & 15 Juniors), Night School – total 17 = total 59 (up 1 since March, 2024, a new student returned after being missing since COVID - 2020)

2. **17 out of 27 Seniors are on schedule to graduate.** (We receive no district credit for early graduates and less credits for seniors who do not graduate on time.)

○ Why are all 27 Seniors not graduating:

○ Attendance is not good due to-

- 3 students are parents and do not have a babysitter
- 5 are babysitting siblings for parents who do not have access to day care
- 2 are working to support their family
- 1 has chronic health issues

○ Credit recovery is needed - We take 12th graders first & then 11th due to how much credit recovery is needed. Nine of our 12th graders need 9 or more credits to graduate, behind 5 to 10 credits. Kiita students can earn 10 credits a year versus 5 credits yearly at BHS. We are on a quarter system, not semester, allowing for more credits to be earned in a school year. Kiita students can take independent study online courses so that they can earn more than 10 credits a year at Kiita.

4. Kiita Learning Community Needs:

1. Vape detectors bought by NSBSD need to be installed in every bathroom.
2. Full time Principal
3. Full time English/Social Studies teacher
4. Home School Facilitator. - reason for need is:

Kiita Learning Community is the only NSBSD without a Home School Facilitator/Coordinator and, at times, may have a greater need for this position due to the list below-

Roles and responsibilities – our counselor/secretary/principal have been making home visits as needed for-

- Signatures for forms such as free & reduced lunch, registration, migrant ed., etc.
- Home visits when no contact can be made by phone/email information given
- Truancy visits/wellness checks
- Assisting/transporting/signing up students/students who are parents for homelessness programs/resources, TNHA housing assistance, AWIC shelter, AWIC Domestic Violence support, WIC, the homeless shelter, food stamps, assisting in signing up for a tribal card/tribal replacement card/SSI card, transporting students to Dual Credit classes, Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation applications, etc.

5. All back and end side windows are broken and covered with plywood since last summer, 2023.

6. One bathroom floor needs to be replaced per M&O Director

7. **Need to improve attendance –**

FY23/24 Attendance = Average 66.87% Aug. =73.45%, Sept. =71.98%, Oct. =68.50%, Nov. =65.78%, Dec. =60.38%. Jan. =55.16% Feb. =65.77%. Mar. =69.62%	FY19/20=57.61%, FY20/21=Covid, FY21/22=75.67%, FY22/23=69.94%, FY23/24=66.33%	*Individual student averages from FY22/23 to FY23/24 show an increase from 44% to a 67% increase in attendance, with five of these students not being enrolled in school since the COVID year FY20/21.
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8. Need to improve NWEA MAP results: Spring MAP testing 4/29-30/24

<p>A. FY22/23 results from Fall, Winter, Spring</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reading average = 7.5 Grade level, Rdg average gain=1.25 grade levels ○ Math average = 7.0 Grade level, Math average gain= .5 grade levels ○ Lang. average = 8.0 Grade level, Lang. average gain=1.0 grade levels 	<p>B. Fall MAP testing FY23/24 Students presently at these Grade equivalent levels:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reading average = 5.0 ○ Math average. = 5.25 ○ Language average =5.5 	<p>C. Winter MAP testing FY23/24 Students presently at these Grade equivalent levels:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Reading average = 5.4 ○ Math average. = 5.8 ○ Language average =5.7
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9. Need to improve graduation rate

Kiita Learning Community Graduation Numbers and Employment

Sch. total Srs. for that yr	Total Graduates	Total # of Grads. Working	Graduation % Rates
2003	9	4	
2004	12	7	
2005	12	10	
2006	12	5	
2007=22	12	5	54.54%
2008=19	16	10	84.21%
2009=35	21	5	60%
2010=20	11	1	36.67% (55%)
2011=38	11	7	19.23% (28.94%)
2012=30	21	6	30.00% (70%)
2013=22	14	3	40.00% (63.63%)
2014=29	8	4	12.00% (27.58%)
2015=42	17	8	41.67% (40.47%)
2016=46	12	5	25% (26.08%)
2017=57	18 + 4 (+ equals night school)=22	10 + 2 (+ equals night school)	57.14% (38.59%)
2018=37	12 + 2 (+ equals night school)=14	8 + 1 (+ equals night school)	45.83% (37.83%)
2019=37	8 + 1 (+ equals night school)=9	3 + 0 (+ equals night school)	52.17% (24.32%)
2020=34	17 + 5 (+ equals night school)=22	5 + 3 (+ equals night school)	55.88% (64.70%)
2021=	11	7	68.75%
2022=	13	8	65%
2023=28	20 (1 Night student & 1 11 th grader)	7	64%
2024=25	16 Day students (6 night students)=22	13	59% for on time Srs.
Totals	321-1 death/1 student disabled due to accident	154/321= 46.7% with jobs	



Our 2023-24 memories. Miss you Buns!!!





