



Naukati School

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Sept. 2024 School Board Report

Teachers & Staff: Sharlet Collins is teaching elementary, and new teacher Jay Mihal is teaching secondary. Pam Martensen and new hire Mackenzie Denham are our wonderful paraeducators who support our students. Bob Deuel has returned as cook and wood fired boiler operator, and Tara Musser is our school custodian. Cassandra Christopherson has an office in the Naukati School this year, currently filling the role of site lead, and continuing to teach for and coordinate the AK-TRAILS Correspondence Program. Naukati is also lucky to have Special Programs and Testing Director Robbin Perkins based out of Naukati, and North end special education teacher Matt Gore spending a large chunk of time at our site each week. In addition, over the past couple of weeks, we have had support from Hollis based special education teacher April Hoy, who has been visiting our site to assist as needed.

Enrollment: As we start the count period, Naukati has 14 students. Five students are in the elementary class, and 9 are secondary. 11th grade holds our largest grouping of students.

Elementary Happenings: Sharlet has been working with students on developing routines and building a classroom climate focused on inclusivity. We have a couple of students who are new to public school this year and are adjusting to the norms.

Secondary Happenings: Jay spent many years abroad, and is bringing his vast knowledge into the classroom by offering a district-wide Russian I elective, and also by teaching classes such as World History. Students are also enjoying Jay's weightlifting elective!

Sports: Over the summer, Naukati elementary students Kayden Jones and Landon Collins traveled with Whale Pass students to Idaho for a Taekwondo tournament, where they were *very* successful, placing first in all categories they completed in! Elementary students are now participating in cross country with coach Ernie Jones. High school students have been traveling to Thorne Bay nightly to participate in volleyball practice. We have 7 total Naukati players! Thank you to Sharlet Collins, Ernie Jones, and Jay Mihal, who have been acting as volunteer drivers to transport our players each evening.

Testing: Naukati has completed MAP testing!

Events: On September 18th, Naukati hosted an open house. Rod and Shaine came out and grilled hamburgers and hotdogs, and many community members and parents came out for the event.

Accomplishments: Naukati staff is working together as a team, and we are feeling really good about our school climate and culture!



Report respectfully submitted by Cassandra Christopherson