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## KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

# NEWS RELEASE

## *Pre-Kindergarten Title I assessments take place in April and May*

**Soldotna, March 27, 2017—Children who will be four years old by September 1, 2017, have an opportunity to attend pre-kindergarten classes at their local area school in the fall. To qualify for the classes, parents and guardians must contact their local area school to schedule a Pre-K assessment, and complete an application prior to the school screening appointment date.**

- ◆ Title I funded Pre-K programs available at specific sites in the KPBSD provide an excellent opportunity for children who turn four by September 1, 2017, to get a jumpstart on success in school
- ◆ KPBSD's Pre-K teachers are all certified and have specialized training in early childhood education
- ◆ Programs are engaging and developmentally appropriate, with an emphasis on preparing children to be successful when they enter kindergarten.
- ◆ *Pre-K the KPBSD Way* focuses on experiences that facilitate each child's growth in the targeted areas of social and emotional development; approaches to learning; communication, language, literacy; cognitive development, and physical well-being.

### **Parent or guardian action steps**

1. Contact local attendance area school for times and testing locations. (See alphabetical list of schools offering Pre-K sessions\*)
2. Complete a [Pre-K Application](#)—the school office in your attendance area will provide applications
3. Return the application **to your neighborhood school office** during school hours
4. Schedule your child's assessment prior to the date for your neighborhood school. (Dates listed below)
5. Children must be age 4 by September 1, 2017
6. Title I KPBSD programs web link: [Title I programs at KPBSD](#)

### **\*KPBSD Title I Elementary Schools and Screening dates**

#### ***Students qualify for Title I services based on academic need***

- Chapman Elementary, 235-8671, May 1, 2017
- Mountain View Elementary, 283-8600, May 3, 2017
- Nikiski North Star Elementary, 776-2600, April 27, 2017
- Ninilchik School, 567-3301, May 2, 2017

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- Paul Banks Elementary, 226-1801, April 13, 2017
- Redoubt Elementary, 260-4300, April 24, 2017
- Seward Elementary, 224-3356, April 28, 2017
- Soldotna Elementary, 260-5100, April 26, 2017
- Sterling Elementary, 262-4944, May 9, 2017
- Tustumena Elementary, 260-1345, April 25, 2017
- Voznesenka School, 235-8549 April 5, 2017

Title I programs are required to utilize effective, research based instruction, and must also provide evidence that students receiving Title I support are showing academic growth.

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