



KENAI PENINSULA

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TO: Kenai Peninsula Borough School District; Board of Directors

FROM: Project GRAD Kenai Peninsula; Jane Beck, Executive Director

DATE: March 22, 2017

SUBJECT: KPBSD School Board Meeting; April 2, 2017

Project **GRAD** Kenai Peninsula will update school board members on the following accomplishments, activities, goals, upcoming events, funding and scholarships:

- **Three rings of support: structure of PGKP**
 - Academic/Student Family Support/Postsecondary
 - 6 Schools supported through grant funding
 - KPNYL expands into 13 schools
- **Funding sources (ANEP, GUKP, KPBSD, private donations)**
 - Informational video
 - <http://alaska.projectgrad.org/2017/03/17/project-grad-informational-video/>
 - New GUKP proposal due April 19 – expanding to 8 schools; grades 2-8, 7 years
- **Events and Activities**
 - 5 of 7 Secondary Institutes completed (Exploration, Fall & Spring Phlight Club, Leadership, Career/Tech
 - AFN, NYO, TNL training, AK Close Up, Service Learning
 - Youth Empowerment Blasts in Nanwalek (monthly)
 - Cultural Exchange Institute on April 22, 2017 at KRC
 - Summer College Institute on May 30 – June 9 in Homer
 - Staff Professional Development: (2) to Learning and the Brain; (1) to NCTM; Creativity Assessment and Learning in a Small School Classroom (8/3-8/4)
 - AK CAN Conference (Jane and Caleb)
- **Ongoing Support**
 - Academic Support Coaching in six schools
 - Motivational theory driving intentional conversations with students
 - Leadership, Integrative Youth Development
 - Postsecondary readiness, enrollment, persistence, completion
 - 14 students at PS
 - Persistence: 13/14 continued to either 2nd semester or Year 2;
 - UAF, UAA, KPC, KBC, AVTEC, JobCorps, Washington State, Ireland
 - \$550,000 scholarships awarded; \$167,500 distributed
- **Closure, Questions/Answers**

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