



Unalaska City School District

Board of Education

Principals' Report

February 27, 2003

- Students of the Week selected since our last board meeting are: Ashley Brevak, Jana Lekanoff, Hazel delas Llagas, Calvin Fortes, and Linzy Soper. Linzy Soper has also been selected as the Unalaska representative to the Hugh O'Brien Youth Leadership Program.
- Four Unalaska High School students participated in the World Language Declamation Competition at UAA last weekend. All four competed in the Spanish Language division: Alan Parades and Vicki Sweenhart placed 1st and 2nd, respectively, in Level 4 (highest level); Abby Peterson placed 4th and Jennifer Son placed 6th in Level 2. This is a remarkable achievement for our students in a statewide competition.
- The Exit Exam Retreat was held on Saturday, February 22. A follow-up math study session was held today after school. These study sessions give high school students a chance to take the practice exam and get test-taking tips and tutoring from our certified teachers.
- Attendance during the mornings of testing next week will not be mandatory for juniors and seniors who have passed the exit exam. However, the counseling department will be available in the library to assist students who want to work on scholarship applications, portfolios, resumes, and career searches.
- The National Assessment of Education Progress (NAEP) test was given Monday, February 24 to all 4th grade and 8th grade students. Mary Haines from the State administered the 90-minute test, and the testing went very well.
- March 4, 5, 6, and 7, UCSD will be administering the HSGQE, Benchmark, and TerraNova tests. Test administrators have materials ready and test schedules will be posted throughout the school.
- A one-day teacher inservice was held on Monday, February 17. Staff members were given the opportunity to earn continuing education credit through UAF by attending additional hours of training on the previous Friday evening and Saturday. Topics included: Differentiated Instruction, Writing, Math, "Kidspiration," and "Inspiration" software.
- The Pre-School Ice Cream Social was a big success this year. There was great support from both the community and businesses with donations. This year's take was over \$4,500.
- The Unalaska Raiders will host the Lumen Christi boys and girls this weekend (games at 7 PM & 8:30 PM on Friday & Saturday.) These will be the last home games of the season, and the graduating players and their parents will be recognized during the Saturday games.