

CHUGIAK CHATTER

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Friday, Nov. 15

- School Spirit Day - Wear Blue and Gold!
- Popcorn day! 50 cents/bag!
- Fall Family Movie Night - 5:45 doors open; *Aladdin* starts @ 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 20

- Wacky Wednesday:
CRAZY HAIR DAY

Friday, Nov. 22

- School Spirit Day - Wear Blue and Gold!
- Last Day for Food Drive

Thurs/Fri, Nov. 28 - 29

- Thanksgiving Holiday - School is closed

Thursday, Dec. 5

- Flu Shot Clinic at Chugiak Elementary! 3:30 - 6:30pm

Friday, Dec. 6

- Kids Heart Challenge Ends



First graders showing off their warm coats, ear muffs, and mittens!

Dear Families,

Chugiak Elementary boasted a nice showing at the ASD Strategic Planning Community Forum at Mirror Lake Middle School on Wednesday evening. Thank you to parents and students who attended and provided input about the outcomes they believe will be most beneficial to ASD students now and in the future.

The small group conversations and group reporting indicated our community is thinking about the building repair/replacement plans for Eagle River Elementary and Gruening Middle School, whether we have one or two high schools in our area that offer varied and engaging course content, that Eagle River/Chugiak is well-represented on the ASD School Board and that our perspectives and needs are heard and acted upon by District leadership.

If you'd like to attend the final session in person, it will be held at Mears Middle School on 11/21 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Or, please share your input online through November 27th using this [link](#).

Respectfully,

Heather Mildon

Attendance

Will your family be traveling this winter? Please note our absence notification and coding policies.

In support of our goal of regular attendance for all Chugiak students (95% of days enrolled), we ask that families plan around school schedules when possible. When school days must be missed for family travel, please contact the office in advance to let us know when your child will be gone and their expected return date. Classwork requests may be made in advance to teachers.

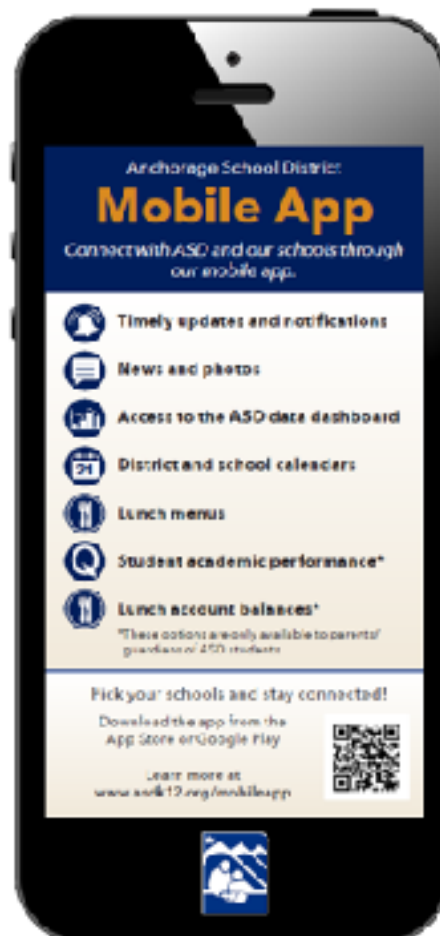
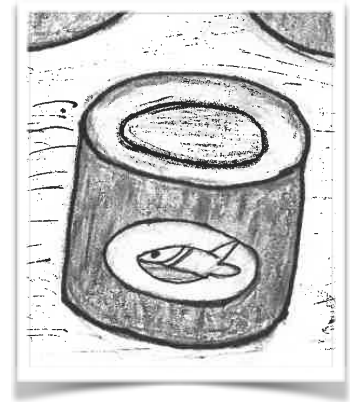
Absences may be coded as excused for illness, death/serious illness in the immediate family, participation in a school function, attendance at religious services, or extenuating circumstances approved by the principal. Voluntary absences for which advance notification is provided will be coded as "Unexcused Pre-Arranged." Families should expect a courtesy notification call on the first day of the absence, and none thereafter. See page 9 of the [Elementary Handbook](#) for more information.

We will miss your child during their absence and wish you all safe travels!

Chugiak fifth grade student, Carmela, is coordinating a canned food drive this month.

If your child would like to contribute, please send nonperishable food items to school between Nov. 12 - 22.

The grade level that collects the greatest number of items will be awarded a bonus recess period.



For information about Chugiak happenings, try these contacts:

- Set Q contacts for email notifications
- ASD Mobile App and choose "Chugiak Elementary"
- School [website](#)
- Find us on [Facebook](#)



Nurse Amy's News

1. Please, no nuts in shared snacks for holiday feasts. Shared food that is homemade should include a list of ingredients for students and families. Thanks for keeping our students safe.
2. December 5th, Flu vaccine clinic 3:30-6:30pm (see flyer)
3. 7th annual Holiday gift card drive for our own Chugiak Elementary School families in need. Please turn cards into Nurse Amy by December 13, 2019. Any amount is much appreciated. The average amount of gift card donation per year for the last 7 years has been \$1000.00!!! Our community is so generous. Thanks in advance for your giving. Cards from Fred Meyer or Wal-mart are preferred.
4. Nurse is in need of recycled newspaper bags for ice packs.

Wacky Wednesday Calendar

20th November:	Crazy Hair Day
11th December:	Twin Day
22nd January:	Neon Day
19th February:	Hat Day
18th March:	Mustache Day
8th April:	Sunglasses Day
13th May:	Polka-Dot Day



Every Friday is Spirit Day - Wear your Blue and Gold! The spirit wear should be in within about a week! We're getting close!



Contact chugiakptoevents@gmail.com with questions.

Thank you to the many volunteers who made Chugiak's annual Holiday Bazaar a success! It was a wonderful day here at school, achieving the goal of fund raising for our school while also building community. Your dedication of time, energy, and enthusiasm made this year's event memorable. Thank you!

December Show Dates for your Calendar:

12/6 Chugiak Choir performs @ the Eagle River Tree Lighting Ceremony

- Community Show - 5:45 p.m.

12/11 Choir/Show Choir/Drumming School Show

- For Student audience 1:45 p.m.
- For Parent audience 6:00 p.m.

12/19 Cantemos Juntos, parent show day

- K - 2 9:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.
- 3rd - 5th 1:30 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.



Chugiak ES is working on our

2019-20 School YEARBOOK

Order a yearbook today! Don't forget that you can add up to two pages of free customizable pages for your child's yearbook.

www.treering.com/validate

Our school passcode is:
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See the flyer at the end of this newsletter for more information

Chugiak Parking Lot Safety

When dropping students off at the curb or walking from our lot to the school through crosswalks —

Please be careful on the painted areas!! Our curbs and crosswalk stripes are the most slippery spots!

We put gravel and ice melt down, but they are no substitute for vigilance!



Join us for a **NO COST** flu shot clinic at:

Chugiak Elementary

Thursday - Dec 5th

3:30pm - 6:30pm

- Open to anyone ages 6 months and older.
- No insurance required.
- Parent or guardian consent required for ages 17 and under.
- Contact the school nurse with any questions.



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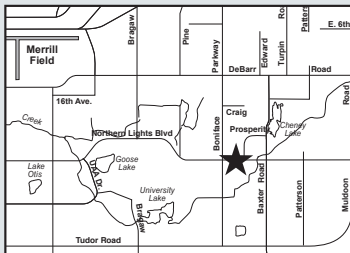


**Anchorage
Health
Department**



**Wednesday,
December 4, 2019**
5:30 p.m.

ASD Education Center
5530 E. Northern Lights Blvd.



Learn more about substitute teaching, the application process and job requirements (must possess a bachelor's degree in any discipline).

Refreshments will be provided.



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Save the Date: Anchorage School District Substitute Teacher Open House

Anchorage School District is hiring Substitute Teachers. Are you interested in teaching for ASD but not sure what grade level or school is best for you? Are you recently retired and want to try something new? Or are you a recently retired teacher that misses working with students? Consider applying to be a Substitute Teacher at ASD.

ASD Substitute Teachers:

- Work a flexible schedule during the school year with summers off.
- Have options to work in different schools and grade levels.
- Are provided with lesson plans, tools, and support.
- Receive \$150 payment for a full day of substitute teaching.

For more information or if you are interested in applying to be a substitute teacher, contact:

ASD Talent Management Department

907-742-4264

Or apply online at

www.asdk12.org/workforasd

The Anchorage School District is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Capture Your Memories in This Year's Chugiak Elementary School Yearbook



Customize Your 2 Free Pages

- Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive & more.
- Answer fun Memory Questions to help remember the year.
- The 2 Custom Pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in your book. Want more pages? Each additional 2 pages is just \$0.99.

To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook

Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

- 1 Go to www.treering.com/validate
- 2 Enter your school's passcode:
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Regular Price: **\$15.99**

Deadline: Apr 8

TreeRing



Pre-Arranged Absence Form

Please submit this form to the school office at least one week prior to the absence.

Complete one form for each student.

Student last name _____ Student first name _____ MI _____

Teacher _____ Student grade level _____

ASD Attendance Policy

A student may be excused for temporary absences when receiving satisfactory evidence of illness or other acceptable reasons. The following conditions may result in an excused absence from school:

1. Illness,
2. Death or serious illness in the immediate family,
3. Participating in a school function,
4. Attendance at a religious service, or
5. Extenuating circumstances approved by the principal.

An absence may be coded unexcused if the student demonstrates or is at risk of chronic absenteeism or is below academic proficiency. Chronic absence is missing 10 percent or more of school for any reason.

Pre-planned absence

My child will be absent from _____ to _____. Number of school days missed: _____

I acknowledge these absences may impact my child's academic and/or social progress.

Reason:

Parent/guardian name _____ Date _____

Parent/guardian signature _____ Contact phone number _____

To be filled out by principal

This absence will be coded as _____ excused _____ unexcused.

Student absences this semester, including this absence: _____.

Principal comments:

Principal signature _____ Date _____

A copy of the completed form with the principal's signature will be provided to the parent/guardian.

Make up work

When a family knows in advance their child will be absent from school for five or more days, a separate class work make-up request may be made through the school office.

Office use only

Entered in Q: _____ P-unexcused pre-arranged _____ E-excused _____ Teacher notified _____

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