



# Ocean View Newsletter

November 2025

Dear Ocean View Families,

What an amazing turnout we had at our School Carnival! Thank you to everyone who donated candy, volunteered time, and came out to enjoy the fun. A very special thank-you goes to the Alaska Military Youth Academy for their incredible support and helping hands – your presence truly made the event a success. It's moments like these that remind us how strong and caring our Ocean View community is.

As we move deeper into the school year, I'd like to encourage you to stay connected with your child's learning. Take a few minutes each day to ask your student about their day, review schoolwork together, and spend time reading side by side. These simple routines make a lasting difference in your child's confidence and success at school. Your involvement matters more than you know!

November is National Gratitude Month, a perfect time to reflect on all we have to be thankful for. I am deeply grateful for our wonderful students, our dedicated staff, and our supportive parents. Together, you make Ocean View a place of kindness, growth, and joy. I feel honored every single day to lead this incredible learning community.

With appreciation,  
*Christina VonWalter*  
Principal, Ocean View Elementary





# November

## *Important Dates to Remember*

- All Month - National Gratitude Month
- 11/7 5<sup>th</sup> grade field trip to UAA Game
- 11/7 First Friday at the Museum 6-9 pm
- 11/11 Veteran's Day, No School
- 11/18 PTA Meeting at 5:30pm
- 11/21 Dine to Donate with Papa Murphy's
- 11/27-11/28 Thanksgiving Holiday, No School

# Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program

## What's coming to Ocean View the next few weeks?

### FFVP Snack Spotlight: Navel Oranges

Sweet, seedless, and easy to peel, navel oranges are a juicy way to add sunshine to your day! They're packed with vitamin C for strong immunity, fiber for healthy digestion, and folate for growing bodies. Cool fact: Navel oranges get their name from the little "belly button" on the bottom of the fruit—it's actually a tiny second orange growing inside!



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### FFVP Snack Spotlight: Mandarins

Sweet, seedless, and bursting with flavor, mandarins are the perfect bite-sized boost for students on the go! They're loaded with vitamin C to fight off colds, fiber for happy tummies, and folate to keep brains focused and alert. Cool fact: Mandarins were once considered a luxury fruit in ancient China and were given as gifts to symbolize good fortune and happiness—that's how they got their royal name!



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### FFVP SNACK SPOTLIGHT: GALA APPLES

Crisp, sweet, and full of flavor, Gala apples are a student favorite! They're packed with vitamin C for a healthy immune system, fiber for good digestion, and antioxidants that help keep bodies strong and energized. Cool fact: Gala apples were first grown in New Zealand in the 1930s—a cross between Kidd's Orange Red and Golden Delicious apples! Their bright red-and-yellow color makes them one of the most popular apple varieties in the world.



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### FFVP Snack Spotlight: Bananas

BANANAS ARE A NATURALLY SWEET, ENERGY-BOOSTING SNACK THAT KEEPS STUDENTS FUELED FOR LEARNING AND PLAY! THEY'RE FULL OF POTASSIUM FOR STRONG MUSCLES, VITAMIN C FOR IMMUNITY, AND FIBER FOR HEALTHY DIGESTION. COOL FACT: BANANAS ARE CURVED BECAUSE THEY GROW TOWARD THE SUNLIGHT! AS THEY DEVELOP, THEY BEND UPWARD—A PROCESS CALLED NEGATIVE GEOTROPISM.



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### FFVP Snack Spotlight: Bartlett Pears

Juicy, sweet, and perfectly soft when ripe, Bartlett pears are full of vitamin C for immunity, potassium for heart health, and fiber for healthy digestion. They're a classic fruit that brings a taste of fall to the classroom! Cool fact: Bartlett pears change color as they ripen—starting bright green and turning golden yellow when perfectly sweet and ready to eat.



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### FFVP SNACK SPOTLIGHT: BLOOD ORANGES

Don't be fooled by their plain orange peel—inside, blood oranges have a deep red color and a sweet, berry-like flavor. They're packed with vitamin C, fiber, and antioxidants that support healthy skin, strong immunity, and heart health. Cool fact: The red color in blood oranges comes from natural pigments called anthocyanins, which only develop when the fruit grows in cooler night temperatures.



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## Ocean View Elementary

# FOOD DRIVE

With SNAP benefits expiring, some of our school families are facing extra challenges putting food on the table. To support our community, our school is holding a Food Drive to help ensure every child and family has what they need.

We're inviting our school community to come together in kindness and generosity. Every donation will make a difference for a family right here in our halls.

Any food left after the drive will continue to support families through the holidays and the cold winter months ahead.



### DROP-OFF LOCATION



Ocean View Elementary  
11911JohnsRd, Anchorage, AK 99515

### SUGGESTED ITEMS

- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Top Ramen
- Mac and Cheese
- Shelf Stable Milk
- Cereal (Cherrios, Honey Bunches of Oats)
- Canned Protein (chicken, tuna)
- Soup
- Rice
- Granola Bars/Protein Bars
- Oatmeal
- Crackers
- Peanut Butter
- Canned Beans
- Fruit Cups/Apple Sauce
- Canned Vegetables

# November

## COUNSELOR NEWSLETTER

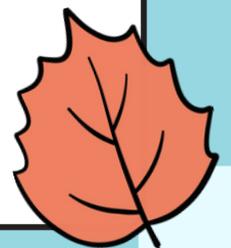


### WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE CLASSROOM?

This month in our Counselor Classroom Lessons, students will be exploring the concept of Growth Mindset, the belief that we can grow our abilities through effort, practice, and learning from mistakes. We'll talk about how challenges help our brains grow and how words like "I can't do this yet" can make a big difference in how we feel and learn.

As we head into the season of gratitude, we'll also be tying in the theme of thankfulness. Students will reflect on the things, people, and experiences they are grateful for, and how practicing gratitude can help us stay positive and persevere even when things feel tough.

Wishing you a season full of growth and gratitude!



#### SUPPORT AT HOME

Encourage your child to share what they're learning and to practice using growth mindset language at home. Together, we can help our students build resilience, confidence, and a thankful heart.

#### CONTACT

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-  Bowman: 907.742.5603
-  Ocean View: 907.742.5853



# Dear Ocean View Families,

As the holiday season approaches, we know that this time of year can be both joyful and challenging. Each year, our school community comes together to support families who may need a little extra help with holiday gifts for their children.

If your family could use some assistance this holiday season, please don't hesitate to reach out by November 12, 2025. We are here for you. You can contact our school counselor, Mrs. Parker, or school nurse, Lanaee, to confidentially request support.

We want every child in our school to experience the joy and warmth of the season, and our staff and community are ready to help make that possible.

Nurse Lanaee: [winfree\\_lanaee@asdk12.org](mailto:winfree_lanaee@asdk12.org)

School Counselor: [parker\\_paulsen@asdk12.org](mailto:parker_paulsen@asdk12.org)



# PUMPKIN CONTEST RESULTS



1. Connor Kendall 2<sup>nd</sup> grade
2. Cienna Moonin Kindergarten
3. Ivy Muller 1<sup>st</sup> grade



**THANK YOU**

**TO ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO  
MADE THE OCEAN VIEW  
CARNIVAL AWESOME**



**OceanView Staff and PTA**

**Parents & Families**

**Alaska Military Youth Academy**

**High School Volunteers**

**AS&G**

**Great Harvest Bread Co**





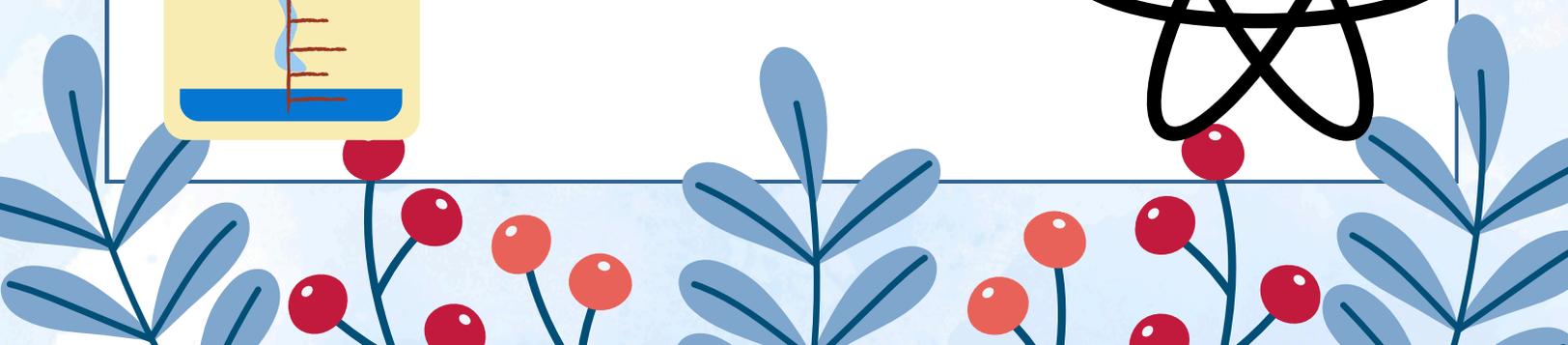
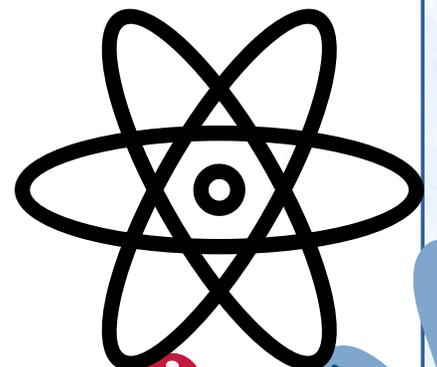
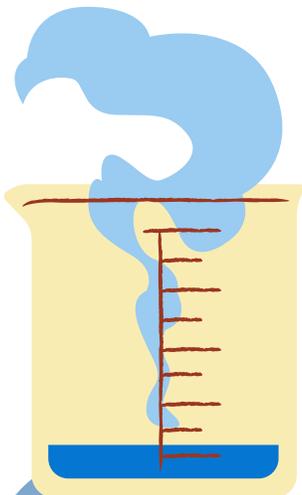
## **NIGHT AT THE MUSEUM WITH MS. PATZKE AND MRS. ROSE**

Night at the Museum!

Join Ms. Patzke and Mrs. Rose for a fun “Night at the Museum” – come with an adult, hang out with your teachers, and explore the States of Matter!

Friday, November 7th (the first Friday of the month)

Free family event, everyone is welcome! Come for an evening of science, discovery, and fun!





# Winter Weather is Coming



Now is the time to have your kids try on their winter gear to see if it still fits!



Donations of gloves and boots happily accepted

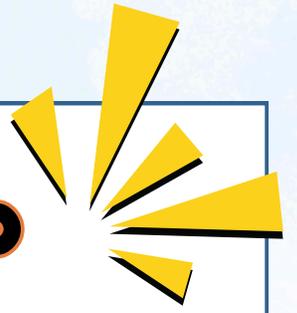
**Please write your kids names in ALL of their coats, hats, and gloves so they don't end up like this:**



(unlabeled gear 🤔)



# Ms. Rylee's Art Club



Lots of exciting things will be happening in the art room very soon! Ms. Rylee will host an art club for grades 3-5. It will be once a week on Thursdays from 2:45 to 3:45 in the art room during the weeks with Ms. Rylee. The first art club sessions will be on 11/13, 11/20, 12/11, and 12/18. This will be a year-round thing, with a new session starting each quarter to ensure students who want to participate get a chance to.

More info will be included in the Art Club permission slips. Permission slips will be handed out on Monday, 11/3, and will be due that Friday, 11/7, to the front office. It will be on a first-come, first-served basis, so whoever turns in the permission slip first will get a spot. The first session of the club will be capped at 25 students.

I can't wait to make art with your amazing young artists!

Ms. Rylee



# Ms. Rylee's Art Class





# JOIN US IN SUPPORTING

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## Oceanview Elementary School

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**Friday November 21, 2025**

# 20%

of your total online purchase  
will be donated to the fundraiser!

**Order at [PapaMurphys.com](https://www.PapaMurphys.com)**

**Enter Code: DRIVE**  
at checkout

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## Migrant Education News

November 13<sup>th</sup>, Thursday, is our  
Migrant Education Sponsored Family  
Night: Reading is OUT of this World

6:30pm-8:00pm

Lake Otis Elementary



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**Migrant  
Education**

# SQUARE 1 ART

IT STARTS WITH THE ART!

Coming home to you soon is your child's custom catalog for the Square 1 Art fundraiser catalog - featuring their own name and art on the cover, WITH FREE STICKERS OF THEIR ART!

Get a head start, and start ordering keepsakes and gifts featuring your child's art online NOW, if you like! Simply search for your child's art using [Art Search](#), and enter state, school name, and your student's name. Your student's art and code will appear, and you may order! NEW - \*Ship to Home FREE. (\*Customer pays a small processing fee at checkout and order ships to home.)

Order by: 12/4/2025

Upload additional art if you like, using [Art Upload](#)!

If you have questions, or need anything at all, [contact customer care online](#) .  
Thank you for supporting our school!

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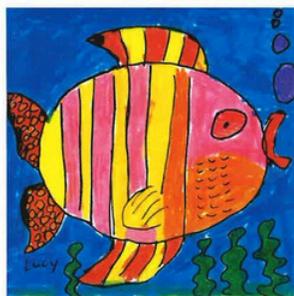
Square 1 Art fundraiser coordinator

Oceanview Elementary School

[square1art.com/shop](http://square1art.com/shop)

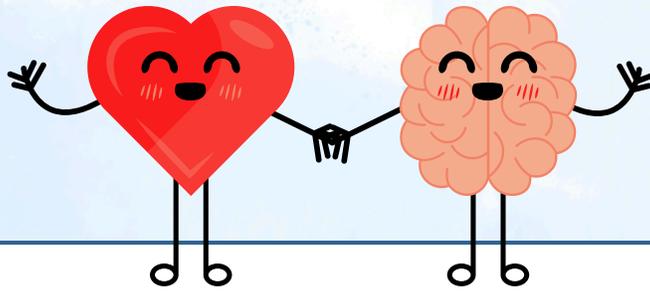


## Coming Soon!



**Your child's art on  
custom keepsakes!**

[square1art.com/shop](http://square1art.com/shop)



## **Some Healthy and Helpful Resources!**

Mobile Mammography Only 15 appointments left – call the number on the flyer today if interested!

Yuka App. You can use it for free to scan most labels of food and cosmetic products for instant feedback on chemical additives. In the app store, there's an orange carrot in the middle of a white background.

Docket App. Obtain you and your minor student(s) vaccine records if given in the State of AK. In the App store, it's lower case blue lettering on a black background.

Have you had your 10-yr booster for Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria, active pertussis/"whooping cough")? If not, just ask your local pharmacist or your physician! For the influenza vaccine, ASD's next free clinic is 11/13/25, 2p-7p, 5530 E Northern Lights @Boniface.

Diaper Pantries in Anchorage. Here's a link to one of them:

<https://www.picak.org/swaddle-me-1>

Food Pantries in Anchorage. For a printable or to see the monthly calendar:

<https://foodbankofalaska.org/help>

The Food Bank's Thanksgiving Blessing 2025.

The Salvation Army Holiday Assistance 2025 registration – open 11/3 thru 12/2.

<https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/salvation-army-holiday-assistance-registration-2025/>

United Way. [alaska211.org](http://alaska211.org). Click "search our database," or call 211.



# *Mobile Mammography is coming to you!*



11911 Johns Road, Anchorage, AK

**Monday, December 1st beginning at 9am**

If you are a woman age 40 or older and due for your annual screening mammogram, give Providence Imaging Center a call at **(907) 212-3151** to schedule this important 20-minute test.

Please call to pre-register prior to your appointment.



 **Providence**

**3340 Providence Drive • Anchorage, AK 99508**  
(907) 212-3151 • (907) 212-5828 fax • [www.provimaging.com](http://www.provimaging.com)

# THANKSGIVING BLESSING



**ANCHORAGE**  
**NOVEMBER 24**  
**2-7pm**

Food Bank of Alaska works with our partners to provide a free Thanksgiving meal for those in need.



**SPONSOR A FAMILY  
OR SIGN UP TO  
VOLUNTEER**

[foodbankofalaska.org/blessing](http://foodbankofalaska.org/blessing)

## **CENTRAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

1420 Cordova St • *Drive-thru*

Serving areas: 99501, 99503, 99510, 99512, 99513, 99520, 99524

## **CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS**

11701 Puma St • *Walk-thru*

Serving areas: 99507, 99511, 99515, 99516, 99518, 99523, 99540, 99587

## **JOY LUTHERAN CHURCH**

10111 E Eagle River Loop Rd • *Drive-thru*

Serving areas: 99505, 99506, 99567, 99577

## **MOUNTAIN VIEW COMMUNITY CENTER**

Sponsored By: New Hope Baptist Church

315 Price St • *Walk-thru & Pre-boxed*

Serving areas: 99508, 99514

## **NEW SEASON COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

639 W International Airport Rd • *Drive-thru*

Serving areas: 99502, 99507, 99517, 99518, 99519

## **ST. PATRICK'S PARISH**

2111 Muldoon Rd • *Drive-thru*

Serving areas: 99504, 99509, 99521

**FOOD BANK  
of ALASKA**

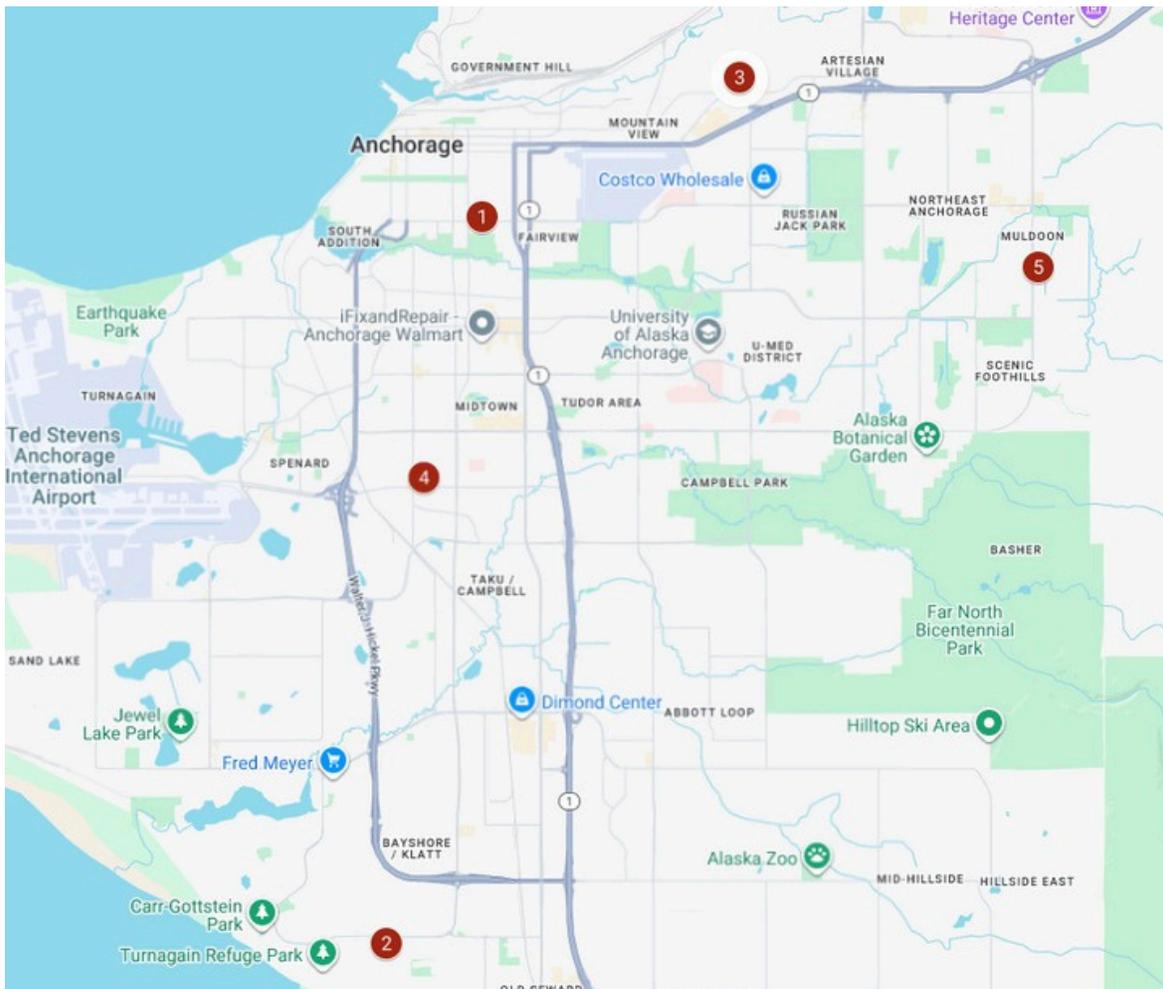


All products based on availability, and available while supplies last. Bring proof of zip code. You may only attend one site. Families will be provided (1) frozen turkey (including turkey pan and gravy) as well as groceries for a holiday meal including stuffing, corn, green beans, potatoes, apples, cranberry sauce, butter, and dinner rolls.

FOOD BANK  
of ALASKA



# THANKSGIVING BLESSING



1. **Central Lutheran Church** -1420 Cordova St
2. **Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints** -11701 Puma St
3. **Mountain View Community Center** - 315 Price St
4. **New Season Community Development** - 639 W International Airport Rd
5. **St. Patrick's Parish** - 2111 Muldoon Rd
6. **Joy Lutheran Church** - 10111 E Eagle River Loop Rd (not shown in the map above)

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# Anchorage GIFT Registration

For more information call:  
(907) 575-3566

Toys for ages 0-14 years



Apply Online 10/1 - 12/1

by visiting [saangeltree.org](http://saangeltree.org)

\*\*\* (Must meet federal poverty guidelines)

Registration In-Person 12/1 - 12/2,  
12pm-6pm

Anchorage Corps Community Center  
1701 C Street, Anchorage, 99501

Gift Distribution 12/19 - 12/20

Anchorage Corps Community Center  
1701 C Street, Anchorage, 99501



Scan for  
How-To Video



Scan for  
Application

Items Needed for Registration  
In-Person & Online:

- ☑ Adults must provide photo ID
- ☑ Mail verifying your address
- ☑ Proof of guardianship for each child with document(s) proving each child's Date of Birth

For documentation, you may use:

- ☑ Birth Certificate
- ☑ Government Documents (ie. Approved PFD or Public Assistance)
- ☑ School Documents (ie. Enrollment Forms)

