

## School Board Report

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### **JOGES**

In March JOGES will have their cultural week. Students will be involved in many different activities. Volunteers will be coming in to teach students about culture, crafts, and language. Our school plans to work with the TC as well as local volunteers to gather supplies as well as use other supplies provided through the school to make the cultural week successful. So far things have come together and people have been more than willing to volunteer. Some of the activities that we are planning to do with students include weaving, making headbands, fishing, snares, storytelling, and beading. Students will also participate in dancing activities throughout the week and working on a specific dance. Ms. Johnson arranged for a professional storyteller to present to the kids at JOGES during cultural. Bret Dillingham. We're looking forward to the cultural week this coming month, and the valuable cultural activities that will be shared with students.

### **ZLES**

Over all the culture week at ZLES was a success. The week was spent practicing NYO events. Having elders come in to tell stories, along with cross-country skiing and snowshoeing. We even had a parent come in to show the students how to make a snare wire. Thank you Mr. Littlefish. Thanks to the Lower Kalskag TC for having Ms. Barb and Father Nick come in for NYO and story telling. Last week, in cooperation with the Upper Kalskag TC and IGAP. students were taken out on the river to ice fish. A fish was caught much to the excitement of the children. The kids had a good time fishing and playing in the snow. When asked they all said they would like to go ice fishing again. I would like to thank the Upper Kalskag TC for reaching out to us and helping our ice fishing be a success.

### **GMSHS**

Basketball season is almost over so the school year will slow down a lot. Hopefully. GMSHS will be hosting their cultural week March 6-10. We expect students from the up river schools and Aniak to attend. We are planning beading, skin sewing, Moose hunting, winter camping and dancing. GMSHS is wrapping up the WiDa access testing and looking forward to the new PEAKS testing in March.