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**PEAKS Data: Student Reports Coming Your Way**

In spring of 2017, all Alaska public school students in grades 3–10 were tested in English language arts (ELA) and math using the Performance Evaluation for Alaska's Schools (PEAKS) assessments. Students in grades 4, 8, and 10 were also tested in science. This testing meets state and federal requirements. Last Spring's assessments serve as a baseline data and will be used to help Raven improve our program offerings.

We appreciate all the students who participated and parents who worked to bring them in for their testing sessions. Raven continues to strive to meet the state required 95% Participation Rate. Each student's participation is helping us to meet our goal.

Student Reports from the spring PEAKS 2017 state tests are being mailed out in the next couple of weeks from our district office along with a summary of Achievement Level Descriptors (ALDs). The State tests provide a snapshot of how your child performed during testing and are not indicators of overall academic performance. We know there are many components to your student's overall performance. Each quarter, the teachers have the opportunity to see a variety of work samples showcasing the talents of our students.

If you have any questions about your child's score report, please contact your child's advisory teacher. The state's Resources page <https://education.alaska.gov/> also has many handouts that provide expanded information for families about state testing and learning standards.

We know you want your child to succeed in school. We want to be partners with you to make that happen. We welcome your calls and your visits. We hope you will share any ideas you may have about how we can continue to improve our school and your child's learning.

<https://education.alaska.gov/tls/Assessments/PEAKS.html>

Sincerely,

Kerry Boyd, Superintendent  
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