



# CHAPMAN SCHOOL NEWS

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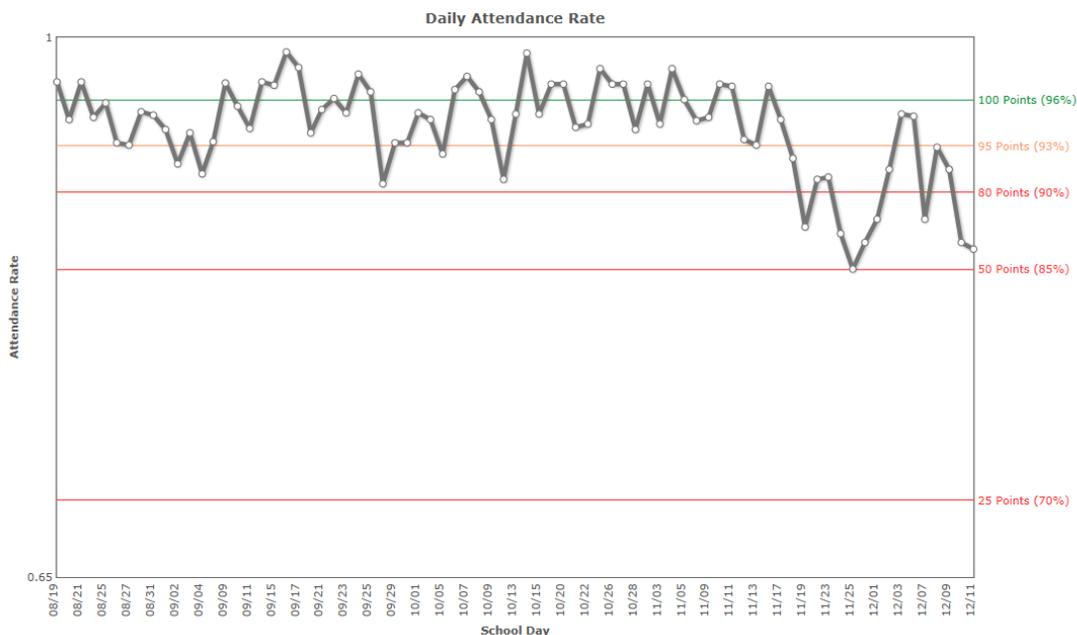
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## Principal's Corner

It is an exciting time as we wrap up 2015. It is hard to believe we're nearly halfway through the year. As a reminder, quarter 2 report cards will be mailed out January 11<sup>th</sup>.

I am pleased to announce that Chapman School has been recognized as a **National Title I Distinguished School**. Each year, the National Title I Association identifies two schools from each state in two categories: Highest Performing; Category 1-Exceptional Student Performance and High Progress and Category 2-Closing the Achievement Gap between Student Groups. In FY 09 Chapman School was recognized in Category 2. This year, we are being recognized in Category 1. I am excited we have been able to maintain our academic growth over the years and am proud of this accomplishment, not only for our staff and students, but also the community of Anchor Point. Teaching children is a collaborative effort, and together, we do very well at it. You can view our school profile on the National Title I Association webpage at <http://www.titlei.org/ds/schools/chapman-school>.

We continue to make attendance a priority this year. As we hit the halfway point of our school year, our overall attendance for the year is 94.04%. The State recognizes schools for their attendance at the 93% mark, and again at 96%. Reaching 96% attendance would give us the most amount of attendance points when our ASPI rating is configured by the State, helping ensure that we continue to be recognized as a 5 star school. The below graph does a good job of showing where our attendance has been each week this year.



We do a few things to keep attendance in the forefront. Firstly, we chart each classroom's attendance in the front hallway so that parents and students can see their attendance progress. Next, I provide an extra recess on our early release days for the class with the best attendance. For a little extra incentive, I have been giving popsicles at lunch to any class who has 100% attendance for the week. This has occurred four times this year. Lastly, I send an informational letter home after each five absences so that parents are aware of their child's attendance. Ultimately, we rely on you as the parent to get your child to school each day; however, if there's anything I can do to help, please let me know. For first semester, each grade had the following attendance:

Grade	PK	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Attendance	93.2%	91.1%	95.2%	95.5%	96.5%	95.3%	92.4%	93.2%	93.2%	92.2%

I would like to thank Tim Heimbold for all his effort in getting our school ice rink set up. This is a lot of work, and Tim annually commits to taking this on. I would also like to thank the Anchor Point Fire Department for helping us get water on the rink this year.

We continue to make school safety a priority, and have rolled our A.L.I.C.E. training to each grade. Our next step is to engage teachers and students in conversations about how to react to certain safety scenarios. As a reminder, please remember to sign in at the office before heading down to classrooms. I realize this takes a little patience, but I do feel it's important for us to have a consistent process for everyone who comes into our building. That way, everyone, including teachers, students, and other parents, can identify those who have permission to be in our building.

I encourage you all to visit your child's classroom this week during their class parties. Again, thank you for all you do. Please feel free to stop by and visit with me anytime. If you need to reach me, my email address is [cwoodhead@kpbsd.k12.ak.us](mailto:cwoodhead@kpbsd.k12.ak.us). My cell number is 907-625-1358 if you ever need to get a hold of me after hours. You can also like us on Facebook at *Chapman School Anchor Point Alaska*.

Sincerely,



Conrad Woodhead  
Principal, Chapman School



## Upcoming Events

18th End of 2nd Quarter / In-service  
 NO SCHOOL  
 Winter Break Dec. 18th —Jan 3rd—NO SCHOOL



### January

4th BACK TO SCHOOL  
 14th 2nd Quarter Awards Assembly—2pm  
 18th NO SCHOOL—MLK Day

## **THANK YOU from CHAPMAN STUDENT COUNCIL!!**

Chapman School collected 572 cans and non-perishable food items during the November canned food drive. All items collected will go to help local families in need during the holiday season. The 1st/2nd grade class collected the most items—190 and won an ice cream party. The canned food drive was sponsored by Chapman School's Student Council. We would like to thank everyone who contributed—your donations make a difference.

### ***Santa letters from Mrs. Austin's Kindergarten Class***

Dear Santa,  
 This Christmas I would like BB gun and a teleporter.  
*Rod*

Dear Santa,  
 This Christmas I would like Star Wars toys and an Angry Bird.  
*Fenwick*

Dear Santa,  
 This Christmas I would like a kitten. I love presents. Zayne wants a toy shotgun. Oh! I also want a teleporter.  
*Jaxon*

Dear Santa,  
 This Christmas I would like another cat. For my mom a box of chocolates. For Dulci, my sister, a new dress. For my little brother a Light Saber. I love you.  
*Tempe*



Nouredine Mama, exchange student from Cameroon Africa visits Chapman School sharing information about his country and culture and answering questions from students.



Dear Santa,  
 This Christmas I would like a BB gun. My mom needs a kitten.  
*Luke*

Dear Santa,  
 This Christmas I would like a BB gun and new Legos. I would like a Jet Pack, bow and arrows and Light Saber.  
*Jackson*

Dear Santa,  
 This Christmas I would like a new toy excavator. For my mom she would like a dress. For my dad he needs a new 4X4.  
*Ethan*

Dear Santa,  
 This Christmas I would like a new Christmas Tree, a play-house and my mom wants a new washing machine and horse stuff.  
*Nevaeh*

***continued from Mrs. Austin's Class.....***

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I would like a bow and a bag of arrows.  
I will be good.

*Malachi*

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I would love a turtle shell and my mom  
wants a Chapstick!

*Kiano*

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I would like new Legos. My mom would  
like a dress. My dad likes Oklahoma. I love you.

*Lucy*

Dear Santa,  
This Christmas I would like a set of reindeer. I need a  
set of shoes, a new dress, BB gun and playhouse.

*Willow*

***Santa letters from Mrs. Woodhead's  
1st/2nd Grade Class***

Dear Santa,  
I want a cat. I also want a Bingo set. I want a typewrit-  
er. I also want to get a ferret. I want your slay and rein-  
deer!

*Love, Quinton*

Dear Santa,  
I want a typewriter, and a sewing machine. Then I  
would like a parrot and a Swiss Army knife. Thank you  
for the best teacher ever!

*Love, Zayne*

Dear Santa,  
I've been good. And how old are you? How is Mrs.  
Claus and Rudolph? Can I please have a monster re-  
mote controlled truck?

*Love, Alex*

Dear Santa,  
I've been very, very good this year. May I have an Elsa  
doll and well, the other things just surprise me. But  
wait, get me a box filled with candy and toys. P.S. How  
old are you?

*From, Liberty*

Dear Santa,  
I was very super good this year. May I have a remote  
controlled King Cobra and a Sea Scope and a metal de-  
tector?

*From, Parker*

Dear Santa,  
I was a good girl this year. I am good in school. I would like a  
trumpet. I would like a Flutter Shy Pony. I would like Twilight.  
*Love, Megan*

Dear Santa,  
I love Christmas. Santa I want a Safeway cart. I want a make-up  
set.  
*Love, Ashton*

Dear Santa,  
I like toys that you give me. This Christmas I will be good so I  
can get a toy. How is Rudolph? Can I have a cockroach?  
*Love, Miles*

Dear Santa,  
I want a camera, and I want a trumpet, and I want ice skates  
for Christmas, and I want an Elsa doll.  
*From, Mattie*

Dear Santa,  
How are you doing with Rudolph Santa? Can I please have ice  
skates and can I have Monster High Doll with a Monster High  
School and a metal detector, and a Beanie Boo. I hope you come  
to my house.  
*By, Alana*

Dear Santa,  
Thank you for the presents you give us. How is Miss Claus? I  
hope she is good. For Christmas I want some Beanie Boos, and a  
baby Alive and Rudolph and a dolphin toy.  
*Love, Alysha*

Dear Santa,  
Guess what? I'm going to leave you cookies Christmas Eve. I  
want two excavators and three kittens.  
*Love, Asa*

Dear Santa,  
Hey Santa how is Rudolph? Santa can I please, please have an  
Elsa doll and an Anna doll in a set? Please do not hurt yourself.  
*Love, Lynnzi*

Dear Santa,  
How is your workshop doing, and your elves, and your rein-  
deer? How is Mrs. Claus? Can I have an X-Box and a video game  
and a Minecraft CD one?  
*Love, Aiden*

**HAPPY  
HOLIDAYS**

## Nurse's Note



It's that time of year again, FLU SEASON. According to the Centers for Disease Control, "Influenza (also known as the flu) is a contagious respiratory illness caused by flu viruses. It can cause mild to severe illness, and at times can lead to death. The flu is different from a cold. The flu usually comes on suddenly. People who have the flu often feel some or all of these symptoms: fever or feeling feverish/chills, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, muscle or body aches, headaches, fatigue (extreme tiredness), and some people may have vomiting and diarrhea (though this is more common in children than adults)." *\* It's important to note that not everyone with flu will have a fever.*

CDC. (2015). Flu symptoms and severity. Retrieved from <http://www.cdc.gov/flu/about/disease/symptoms.htm> .

Symptom	Of a cold	Or the flu
fever	rare	Usually present, higher than 100* F
Chills	Mild	Moderate to severe
Headache	Uncommon	Common
Body Ache, Pains	Slight	Usual; often severe
Fatigue, weakness	Fairly mild	Moderate to severe
Runny stuffy nose	Common	Sometimes
Sneezing	Yes	No
Sore throat	Common	Not common
Chest discomfort	Mild to moderate	Often severe
Cough	Hacking, productive	Non productive
Treatment	Antihistamines, decongestants, pain relievers	Antiviral meds- see your Doctor
Complications	Sinus infection, ear infection, asthma, bronchitis	Sinus infection, bronchitis, pneumonia, can be life threatening.

### Prevention Measures

- **Wash Your Hands**—Hand washing remains the best way to decrease shared illness!
- **Cover Your Cough**—Coughing into your sleeve or shoulder prevents spraying of droplets which carry viruses and bacteria.
- **Stay Home if You are Ill**—Anyone (staff, students, and community members) with symptoms of influenza like illness should stay home until they have been free of an elevated temperature for at least 24 hours without use of fever-reducing medication.
- **Consider Getting a Flu Shot**—Call your personal provider or check with your local pharmacist!