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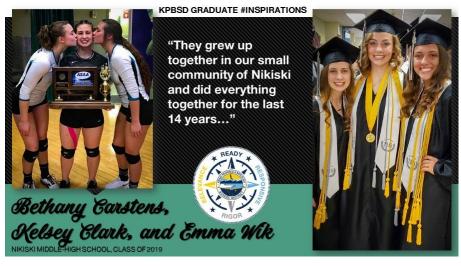
NEWS RELEASE Class of 2019 inspirations: Nikiski Middle-High School: Bethany Carstens, Kelsey Clark, and Emma Wik

Bethany Carstens, Kelsey Clark, and Emma Wik have been friends for what seems like forever. "They grew up together in our small community of Nikiski and did everything together for the last 14 years," said Principal Dan Carstens. "Not only are they at or near the top of their class academically, but they all compete at the highest level in volleyball, basketball, and track and soccer, racking up multiple all-conference, all-state and MVP honors during their high school careers while helping their teams raise three state banners during their time at Nikiski. All this while showing kindness and respect to teammates, coaches, and opposing players."

Now they move on to the next phase of their lives:

Bethany Carstens will attend Chicago State University where she has a full ride scholarship to play Division I basketball and pursue a nursing degree. Kelsey Clark will attend Wenatchee Valley College to play volleyball and enter the radiological technician program.

Emma Wik is staying close to home where she will attend Kenai Peninsula College and pursue a nursing degree.



These three will continue to carry the torch and blaze new trails for successful Nikiski alumni!

<u>Nikiski Middle-High School</u> on Facebook <u>Nikiski Middle-High School</u> student council on Twitter <u>Nikiski Middle-High School</u> website

Congratulations to Bethany, Kelsey, Emma, and the KPBSD Class of 2019! Throughout the summer, watch for weekly stories celebrating the Class of 2019 graduates

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