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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

NEWS RELEASE Kenai Peninsula Borough School District schools and the Swan Lake Fire:

One 2-hour delay start, emergency text info, ...

Soldotna, August 20, 2019: 6:45 PM

On Wednesday, August 21, 2019, Cooper Landing School will start the day with a two-hour delay start. The final determination about a full day closure will be made no later than 9:00 AM. A two-hour delay start allows the KPBSD to work with multiple agencies to determine the safety of opening or closing a school. If a full day closure is warranted, an announcement is made as soon as possible in the morning through the district website www.KPBSD.com, social media, mobile app, school communications, and media partners.

All other KPBSD schools will open on Wednesday, August 21, 2019, on a normal schedule. Absences will be excused if parents choose to keep children at home due to air quality, road closures, or wildfire activity in their area.

Bus transportation for River City Academy, Skyview Middle School, Soldotna High School, and Sterling Elementary

The northern bus stops for Route 108 and Route 110 might be adjusted depending on Sterling Highway closures or partial closures. Information will be assessed early in the morning, and if there are changes, they will be announced by Apple Bus at approximately 6:00 AM for Route 108, and by 7:30 AM for Route 110. KPBSD will also post these updates on social media.

Outdoor recess and physical activity at all school locations may be modified based on the Air Quality Levels.

Positive OPT-IN to receive text messages from KPBSD or schools

The Kenai Peninsula Borough School District utilizes a <u>text messaging service for parents and staff</u> through mobile phone contacts in PowerSchool or the employee portal. A positive OPT-IN is required to receive text messages. Text yes or Y to 67587. This communications service only includes KPBSD staff, parents, and guardians.

Swan Lake Fire community meetings:

• Wednesday, 8/21/19, Cooper Landing School, 6:00 p.m.

KPBSD: ONE DISTRICT, FORTY-TWO DIVERSE SCHOOLS

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Several sports events are scheduled for the upcoming weekend including the annual 2019 Tsalteshi Invite. Air quality levels and highway closures will be assessed late in the week to determine if sporting events will happen. A decision about the 2019 Tsalteshi Invite will be made on Friday.

If any unexpected school changes occur, announcements will be posted on the <u>KPBSD website</u>, <u>mobile app</u>, <u>@KPBSD Facebook</u>, and <u>@KPBSD twitter</u> social media. Individual schools will contact parents with their usual communication method.

Follow <u>KPB Alerts</u> on Facebook, and for additional information on the Ready-Set-Go! Evacuation Guidelines and up-to-date fire information, visit <u>www.kpboem.com</u> or call 907-262-INFO.

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