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Upcoming Events

- ♦11/06 ACF Meeting
- ♦11/10 No School, Veterans Day
- ♦11/20 Progress Reports Sent Home
- ♦11/23 & 24 No School, Thanksgiving Holiday
- ♦12/08 Secondary Dance







RUNNING CLUB – September 27th American Charter students participated in the district cross country meet. Thank you Mrs. Yerbich, Mrs. Kotyk, & Mrs. Skiff for supervising Running Club. Congratulations students; everyone did Amazing!! #AMCpride

L. to R. Ven Maixner, Brooke Copeland, Justice Lite, Ayden Williams, Adrien Williams, Jayce Plantier, Weston Patton, Noelle Stapley, and Matthias Sandefur.

Students in the Reader's Theater Quest Club performed the tale, 'The Woman Who Married the Bear'. What an Incredible performance. Thank you Mrs. Ostendorf, Mrs. Skiff, & AMC Families for supporting after school drama clubs!! Inspiring accomplishment students; wonderful to see you perform!!!



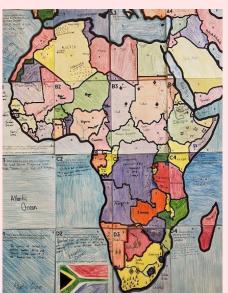


STUDENT COUNCIL NEWS: AMC has a nine-member student council, and two of the members, Tycen Chappell & Kylor McElvain are also on the Matsu District's Student Advisory Board (SAB). Below is a paragraph written by Tycen Chappell about the SAB meeting in October.

Last Thursday there was a SAB meeting or a Student Advisory Board meeting. It was at Career Tech High School, which is one of the biggest high schools in Alaska. At the meeting, we discussed different problems in the district. One of our main concerns so far is the lack of nurses in schools throughout the district's

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Mr. DeBoer's Eastern Hemisphere Social Studies Class- Students have been studying Africa. Each student colored a section of the map and completed research about one of the countries in Africa. Well done students; thank you Mr. DeBoer for creating engaging activities!! Very Exciting!!







Mrs. Kerkove's Class - Students are learning about their 5 senses. They were discovering if their noses work as they learned about their sense of smell.







Staff Spotlight



Mrs. Darcee Crum was born and raised in Rock Springs, Wyoming and received a Bachelor's Degree in Secondary Education from York College in York, Nebraska. Mrs. Crum currently teaches 6th - 8th grade math

and Algebra I at American Charter. She has been teaching at AMC 9 years and has been teaching middle school and high school math for a total of 18 years. Mrs. Crum moved to Alaska in 2005 and met her husband Joey. They have 2 daughters, one who attends Wasilla High and the other who attends school at AMC. Mrs. Crum loves the outdoors, fishing, hiking, snowmachining, and spending time at her cabin.

For years to come, students in Mrs. Crum's math classes will continue hearing her voice saying "show your work."

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Mrs. Erin McElvain was born and raised in Iowa and attended the University of Iowa. After graduating from college, she moved to the mountains in Colorado to work at a ski resort. This is where she met her future husband. Eventually Mrs. McElvain traded the Rockies for the mountains of Alaska and has lived in Alaska for the last eighteen years. She has



two children, Caleb and Kylor, who both attended AMC from kindergarten through 8th grade. This year is Mrs. McElvain's eighth year at AMC working as a Student Opportunities Associate. Mrs. McElvain is one of AMC's testing coordinators and attends district training so she can help the school prepare for MAP, AimsWeb, and AK Star tests. She has worked in both the multi-age and primary prep classrooms over the years which involves teaching elementary specials such as Art, P.E., and Positive Action. There is no place she would rather be than AMC and loves that the kids put a smile on her face every day! When she is not in the classroom or at her kids' activities, Mrs. McElvain loves to spend time skiing with her family in both Alaska and Colorado. In the summer, she enjoys spending time boating and exploring the many lakes in the area or floating down a river on their raft.