

PACE Correspondence School May 2019 Newsletter

Dates to Remember

- April 29th-May 5th MAP & DIBELS Testing
- May 6th-9th KLC & CLC Closed for Inservice
- May 7th-8th ALC & MLC Closed for Inservice
- May 13th All Learning Centers Meet & Greet 2pm-4:30pm
- May 15th MLC Bring a friend bowling/Open House 3pm-5pm @ North Bowl in Wasilla
- May 17th Deadline for 2nd Semester Purchase Requests and Receipts
- May 17th Monthly Reports Due
- May 17th Submit 2nd Semester Work Samples
- May 18th ALC/MLC Family Day @ Musk Ox Farm 1pm-2pm then join us for some hot dogs and hiking at Hatcher Pass
- May 21st KLC Beach Day 8:30am-12:30pm @ South Point Higgins Beach
- May 27th All Learning Centers Closed for Memorial Day
- May 31st Deadline for Activity Survey completion

Be on the lookout for our new website! Coming soon.



2019/2020 Enrollment Open

TEACHER TIP OF THE Month

By: Jen Whicker - K-8 teacher - Ketchikan Learning Center

The 5 E's Learning Cycle Model

If you have ever worried about or wondered: “How do I know my child is learning? Here are some strategies you can apply to any lesson or unit that will help you introduce a new topic, and then give you evidence (and hopefully reassurance) that they are gaining new knowledge.

1 Engage

- Initiates the learning task
- Connects past and present learning experiences
- Creates interest and generates curiosity
- Uncovers student's current knowledge

How do I do this? Show a video or movie to introduce the topic from a google search, Brain Pop, National Geographic, Youtube, Teachertube, etc.

2 Explore

- Provides students with a common base experience
- Gives opportunities for creative thinking and skills development
- Students test predictions and form new predictions and hypothesis
- Students record observations and ideas

How do I do this? Go on a field trip, talk to an expert or use the library to find reading level appropriate books on the topic.

3 Explain

- Students listen critically to others explanations
- Students develop vocabulary through applications of concepts
- Students learn to apply evidence

How do I do this? Ask questions about the movie they watched, the book they read/listened to, the field trip, or the expert, etc.

4 Elaborate

- Challenges and extends students conceptual understanding and skills
- Students use previous information to ask questions, propose solutions, make decisions
- Students apply concepts and skills to new situations

How do I do this? Observe & record responses to your questions, have them create questions to research and then apply their new knowledge with an essay, craft or other project.

5 Evaluate

- Students demonstrate understanding of a concept or skills
- Students evaluate own progress
- Teacher's evaluate students' and their own progress

How do I do this? Have your student complete topic related worksheets, quizzes, tests, oral questions, final draft of project, diorama, book report, speech, presentation, slideshow, poster, etc.

You can always ask your contact teach for ideas as well, that's what were here for!



ENROLLMENT is now open for the 19/20 school year!

New Families: please go to www.paceschool.net and click on MyPACE and sign in as a guest to get started.

Returning Families: please sign into your MyPACE account and click on the Reenroll button at the bottom of the screen.

Student Learning Plan (SLP) appointments will begin in March. Once you enroll we will call to set up your appointment.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call your local learning center or the Anchorage office at (907) 677-0992.



Want to win a \$100 gift card?

Who doesn't? It's so easy to get yourself entered!

Once you complete enrollment with your contact teacher you will be sent a link to an activities survey. Complete the survey and put your name on it by May 31st. It's that simple!

I will gather all complete surveys and draw for a winner on June 7th. Winner will be notified by email and posted on our Facebook page.

Completing the survey helps us decide which activities we will offer to our students and families next year. So, please consider completing the survey even if you don't want to enter the contest. Surveys are anonymous unless you put your name on it.



We need help getting the word out that we now have a learning center open in the valley. Bring a friend and help us show others what its like to be a part of the PACE family.



Join the Mat-Su PACE staff on May 15th from 3-5pm at North Bowl, located at 3250 Palmer-Wasilla Hwy. in Wasilla.



Join the PACE Correspondence School Staff at the Musk Ox Farm on Saturday, May 18th from 1-2pm for a guided tour of the farm. Learn all about these beautiful animals and see all the new babies.

After the tour please join us for some hotdogs and hiking at Hatcher Pass. Hiking will be on your own. Come make a day of it! Fun for the whole family!!

The farm is located at:
12850 E. Archie Road
Palmer, Alaska 99645


Dress for the weather. We will tour rain or shine.

Don't forget your camera!!



Meet and Greet

Do you know someone who would like to know more about the benefits of homeschooling their children? All PACE Learning Centers will be hosting informational Meet and Greets on the dates listed below. Please share these dates with your friends and family who would like to know more about the PACE homeschool advantage.



April 4th 10am to 2pm All Learning Centers

April 16th 2pm to 4:30pm All Learning Centers

May 13th 2pm to 4:30pm All Learning Centers

Come learn all you need to know about your homeschool options and join the PACE family.

Happy Birthday to ALL of our students born in May!!

Joseph

Johannes

Raven

Gwynnaviere

Tia



Sofia

Christina

Talon

Braiden

Piper

James

Alexis

Nataly

Simon

Azariah

Joseph

Addysen

Gaius

