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To the Yupiit School District

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Plans for the New Year

All across the world people are making resolutions to make changes in their lives. Some want to make more money, lose 50 pounds, exercise more, go back to college and complete that put off degree....the list varies from person to person. Our plan remains the same. It is spelled out for us in the Yupiit School District Strategic Plan with our four main goals.

- 1- Students Succeed Academically.
- 2- Students Succeed Culturally.
- 3- Students Need Teacher Stability
- 4- System Changes

We will continue to move forward with these goals as we check off the action steps completed and add new steps to make these goals evident in our district. Curriculum is in place and our Curriculum Director has created a five-year calendar for purchasing Core Materials for other subject areas. All teachers are working with the goal in mind to have students on reading level by third grade. District leadership is exploring the idea of taking 4-year olds into our schools and looping them to have two years to learn the basics of Reading and Math before entering the 1st grade. This year we are all about Reading and I look forward with a positive eye to see our Peak Scores rise this year. As we prepare our students for testing it is important to know that they need practice with computers as we no longer take a written test. It is important they know vocabulary that is in the questions to know what the question is asking them to do and it is important that students are motivated to do their best. Provide incentives for mastery workmanship. Set your standards and expectations high. Value instruction time for time off task are minutes lost and open the probability of discipline problems. I look forward to working with you in the years ahead and giving each of you accolades for the success of our students. Again, enjoy your holiday and I will look forward to seeing you in January.

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