

Fairbanks North Star Borough School District

Spring Break Activities

For students and families

March 13 - 17, 2017



Don't forget to
'spring' your
clocks ahead!
**Daylight Saving
Time begins
March 12**

Alaska Public Lands Information Center

459-3730

Inside the Morris Thompson Cultural & Visitors Center at 101 Dunkel Street, Suite 110.

The Fairbanks Alaska Public Lands Information Center supports the appropriate use and enjoyment of Alaska's public lands and resources through "one-stop shopping" for public lands information, trip-planning assistance, and resource education. It encourages visitors and residents to seek meaningful, safe and enjoyable experiences on public lands and inspires to conserve and sustain the natural, cultural and historic resources of Alaska.

Arctic Bowl

456-7719

952 10th Avenue, Fairbanks

Spring Break: Call for open bowling schedule.

Open Bowling Rates

Per person - per game

\$5.00 Adults (13 and older)

\$4.00 Juniors (12 and younger)

\$4.25 House League Adults

\$3.50 House League Juniors (USBC Youth)

\$3.50 Seniors (55 and older)

Ben Franklin Crafts

488-8544

301 N. Santa Claus Lane, North Pole

Craft class schedules are available the first of each month at the store. Call or stop by the store for further information.

Big Dipper Ice Arena

459-1104

1920 Lathrop Street, Fairbanks

Spring Break Schedule for Recreational Skating in the Ice Arena:

Saturday, March 11: 3:45 pm-5:00 pm

Sunday, March 12: 1:00 pm-2:15 pm

Monday, March 13: 11:45 am-1:15 pm, 3:00-4:30 pm

Tuesday, March 14: 11:45 a.m.-1:15 pm

Wednesday, March 15: 11:45 am-1:15 pm, 3:00-4:30 pm, 5:30-6:45 pm

Thursday, March 16: 11:45 am-1:15 pm, 3:00-4:30 pm

Friday, March 17: 3:00-4:30 pm

Saturday, March 18: 3:45 pm-5:00 pm

Sunday, March 19: 1:00 pm-2:15 pm

COST: Youth 3-17, \$4.00. Adult 18-59, \$6.00. Senior 60+, \$2.00;

Family Pass \$18.00. Skate Rental \$3.00.

The Big Dipper is also planning to host a recreational skate at Tanana Lakes on Tuesday, March 14 from 3:00-5:00 pm. Skate rentals will be available for \$3. No cost to skate. (The event will be cancelled if it is snowing hard or colder than 0°F).

Birch Hill Recreation Area

457-4488

101 Wilderness Drive, Fairbanks

The Parks and Recreation Department, through partnership with the Nordic Ski Club of Fairbanks, offers the Birch Hill Recreation Area and the Jim Whisenant Cross Country Ski Trail system for recreational use.

Winter Season Hours of Operation:

Monday thru Friday: 12:00 pm-9:00 pm

Saturday: 8:00 am-6:00 pm

Sunday: 10:00 am-6:00 pm

Cold Weather Closure - During extreme cold temperatures (-25°F or colder) the Cross Country Ski Center will not be open. At this temperature, the trail lights will be shut off.

The warmup hut will remain open.

Birch Hill Ski & Snowboard Area

353-7053

Located on Fort Wainwright

Keep the whole family busy and physically active during the long Alaskan winter. Birch Hill Ski and Snowboard Area offers skiing, snowboarding and tubing for all ages and abilities. With snowmaking capabilities, Birch Hill is the first hill in the interior to open and boasts the only night-skiing venue in the Fairbanks area.

Spring Break hours of operation: Open daily from Noon–7:30 pm

Recorded Ski information: 353-7053; Customer Service Desk: 353-6795

BP World Ice Art Championships

451-8250

George Homer Ice Park, 3050 Phillips Field Road, Fairbanks

February 20 - March 31, 10 am to 10 pm daily

The Fairbanks event, the BP World Ice Art Championships, presented by Ice Alaska, has grown to a month-long attraction involving over 70 teams from all over the world. The competitions and the accompanying kids park, attract more than 100 ice artists and approximately 45,000 visitors from Alaska and all over the world. The Single Block sculptures are nestled in a grove of trees and Multi-Block ice sculptures have a backdrop of large trees with attractive sunscreens separating each piece. The center of the park provides ample open space for all the Kids Park activities which are highlighted by the big slides and an ice skating rink.

The Kids Park is open from Monday, February 20 – Sunday, March 26. This magical kid's park is like any children's playground, **ONLY** it is constructed entirely from ICE. There are slides and rides for all ages, challenging mazes, and life-sized sculptures of favorite animals, popular characters, and toys to touch and climb on.

Youth Competition: the week of FNSBSD Spring Break - March 13-17.

Exhibits are judged in the evening of March 17, 2017 after 9:30 p.m.

Youth Competition Awards and Lighting Ceremony: March 18 at 7:00 p.m.

COST: \$15 adults, \$8 youth (ages 6-17), Under 6 free. Adult season pass \$40, Youth Season Pass (ages 6-17) \$20. Tour group rates available. For more information, visit www.icealaska.com.

Fairbanks Children's Museum

374-6873

302 Cushman Street, Fairbanks

The Fairbanks Children's Museum will be open with activities for preschool as well as elementary-aged children during the spring break. Their hours of operation are:

Monday: Museum Closed

Tuesday through Saturday: 10 am-5 pm

Sunday: 11 am-5 pm

There will be an "Under the Sea" theme in the art room with decorations, arts, crafts, and sensory activities linked to learning about the ocean.

Fairbanks Children's Museum (continued)

374-6873

On Thursday, March 16 at 1:00pm, create or wear an "Under the Sea" mask and/or costume and parade through the museum for family during the "Under the Sea" masquerade!

On Friday, March 17 through Sunday, March 19, there will be St Patrick's Day themed crafts with pots of "gold," shamrocks, and other fun St. Patrick's Day crafts and activities!

Every weekday afternoon (Tuesday-Friday) from 3:30-5:00 pm. Lego Zone provides a dedicated space (and massive amounts of Legos) for our Lego lovers young and old to construct and create!

General admission is \$8.00 per person, \$7.00 for military families. "Museums For All" admission costs \$3 per person; please show EBT/Alaska Quest card to receive this admission price.

For additional information, please visit: www.fairbankschildrensmuseum.com/calendar

Electronics Recycling Depot

452-4152

**Green Star of Interior Alaska, UAF Central Receiving Warehouse,
1855 Marika Rd, (off Aurora), Fairbanks**

FREE green e-waste recycling for FNSB homes and businesses thanks to a grant from the FNSB Recycling Commission!

Please bring your unwanted electronics to Green Star of Interior Alaska's next Electronics Recycling Depot on Saturday, March 18 from 10:00 am-4:00 pm. FREE.

Green Star recycles almost anything that plugs in or has batteries as well as cell phones, ink/toner cartridges, CDs/DVDs and batteries.

Learn more at <http://www.iagreeenstar.org/programs/electronics-recycling>

Recurring monthly on the 3rd Saturday.

Fairbanks Trails Challenge!

459-1070

FNSB Parks and Recreation

How many trails can you explore this winter?

Posted around the Fairbanks North Star Borough Trails System are TEN Fairbanks Trails Challenge Signs. Challenge yourself, your friends and family to find as many as you can! Find ALL TEN signs by March 15 to win prizes! For those who make it to ALL ten TRAILS, an awards celebration will occur on March 16 at Tanana Lakes "Winter Try-Athlon" Race.

- Free—no registration required!
- Just find, photograph and share!
- Detailed instructions at <http://fnsb.us/pr/Pages/Trails-Program.aspx>
- Follow the Facebook Page: Fairbanks North Star Borough Parks & Rec for updates!
- Call 459-1070 for more information.

FNSB Adaptive Recreation Program

459-1097

Adaptive Recreation works within the Department of Parks and Recreation to provide recreational programs for the population of Fairbanks and North Pole who have a disability. Programs change with the seasons, from biking and hiking in the summer to snowshoeing and cross-country skiing in the winter, with almost everything else in between! For a listing of current weekly programs, Adaptive Registration form, the newsletter and more information, please visit www.co.fairbanks.ak.us/pr/Pages/Adaptive-Program.aspx

FNSB Winter TRY-Athlon Series

459-1070

FNSB Parks and Recreation

FREE fun races for all ages!

Follow the Facebook Page for updates: Fairbanks North Star Borough Parks & Rec

Race #3: Tanana Lakes, Thursday, March 16 at 5:30 pm

- Explore the winter trails!
- Long & short course options!
- Individual or relay options!

Hamme Pool

459-1086

901 Airport Way, Fairbanks

Open Swim times:

Monday; 2:00-3:45 pm

Tuesday-Friday; 2:00-3:45 and 7:00-9:00 pm

Saturday; 2:00-4:30 pm

Sunday; 1:30-4:30 pm

COST: Youth (ages 3-17), \$4.00.

Adult (ages 18-59), \$6.00. Senior (60 & over), \$2.00.

Jeff Studdert Invitational Passenger Race

457-6874

Mushers Hall on Farmers Loop Road, Fairbanks

Wednesday, March 15. Number of dogs on teams based on combined weight of musher and passenger. Held at the Mushers Hall on Farmers Loop Road. COST: Spectators Free. Visit www.sleddog.org.

JoAnn Fabrics & Crafts

458-7177

250 3rd Street, Fairbanks

Craft class schedules are available the first of each month at the store. Call or stop by the store for further information.

Joel's Place/Raw Joy

452-2621

1890 Marika Road, Fairbanks

Raw Joy offers care for children ages 5-12 from 7 am to 7 pm, March 13-17. It is a safe place for children to spend their day while their family is at work. The program will provide breakfast, lunch, snack, & dinner, and will offer skateboarding lessons, outdoor activities, arts & crafts, and so much more!

Weekly rate: \$200

Daily rate: \$40 (Five or more hours)

Drop-in rate: \$5 per hour

Please call 452-2621 or email rawjoyak@gmail.com

JOM AK Native Youth Basketball Tournament

452-1648

Tanana Middle School, 800 Trainor Gate Rd., Fairbanks

Fairbanks Native Association/Johnson O'Malley will be hosting the 18th Annual Alaska Native Youth Basketball Tournament March 13-15, 2017 at Tanana Middle School. The tournament will feature students in grades 3-12 (Elementary, Middle & High School). All games are co-ed.

Volunteers for the event include coaches, assistant coaches, hall monitors, scorekeepers, timekeepers, cashiers and concessionaires.

For more information, or to find out about volunteer opportunities related to the tournament, please see the FNA website at www.fairbanksnative.org/news-events/jom-youth-basketball-tournament/ or contact Niki Guthrie at 452-1648 x 6403 or stop by the Johnson O'Malley office at 605 Hughes Ave.

Kids' Café

750-8978

Stone Soup, 507 Gaffney Rd., Fairbanks, AK

On Saturday, March 18, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, Kid's Café will be a fun-filled, food-filled family event at which kids and their folks prepare meals for the upcoming week for Stone Soup Café guests. They learn about cooking, write notes to the guests, and have a great time.

Kids Cafe is a monthly gathering of families and Stone Soup volunteers, staff, and board members that happens every third Saturday of the month.

Registration is required at stonesoupcafe.org, but the event is FREE.

Limited North American Championship

457-6874

Musher's Hall, 925 Farmer's Loop, Fairbanks

Alaska Dog Musher's Association welcomes returning sponsor Annamaet Pet Food for the 2017 Annamaet Limited North American Championship on March 10, 11, and 12, 2017. High speed racing of eight, six, and four dog teams as well as two-dog skijoring from 8:00 am-5:00 pm each day.

Mary Siah Pool

459-1082

805 14th Avenue, Fairbanks

Open Swim Times:

Monday-Friday; 3:30-4:45 pm

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday; 6:30-8:45 pm

Saturday; 2:15-3:45 pm

Sunday; 9:30 am-11:45 am

COST: Youth (ages 12-17), \$4.00. Adult (ages 18-59), \$6.00. Senior (60 & over), \$2.00.

Michaels Arts and Crafts

456-6046

34 College Road (Bentley Mall), Fairbanks

Craft class schedules are available the first of each month at the store. Call or stop by the store for further information.

Moose Mountain Ski Resort

459-8132

Spring Break Hours, weather permitting: Thursday, March 16 through Sunday, March 19, 11:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Moose Mountain offers student and military discounts and has 40 runs, 1,300 vertical feet, and 700 acres of intermediate and advanced terrain. Ski helmets are available for loan from the Zach Hanson Memorial Fund. Normally the first ski bus starts at 10 am with the last bus leaving the lodge at 4 pm.

2016/2017 Ticket Prices:

Adults, \$39

Military and Students, \$34

Season Pass holders from any Alaska ski resort, \$29 (showing your ID or Ski Pass is required)

Children (7-12), \$29

Children (6 & under) and Seniors (70+), free

Ski pass tickets are \$5 off when the temperature is below 0°F at the base lodge or after 1 pm.

Call **459-8132** for first and last ski bus times and for questions.

Visit www.shredthemoose.com/ for snow conditions and current ski report or also visit the Moose Mountain Facebook page.

Morris Thompson Cultural and Visitors Center

459-3700

101 Dunkel Street, Suite 110

Experience Alaska Native art, music, stories and dance. Explore world-class exhibits of Alaska's four seasons. Find all the information you'll need for your visit to Interior and Arctic Alaska. Open 7 days a week, 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Mount Aurora/Skiland

389-2314

2315 Skiland Rd., Fairbanks 99712

Skiland will be open extra days for Spring Break! In addition to their regular Saturday and Sunday weekend schedule, Skiland will be open Monday, March 13 and Tuesday, March 14.

Hours are 11:00 am-6:00 pm.

Skiland offers downhill skiing featuring the "Silver Star" Double Chairlift", alpine & snowboard equipment rentals, and beginner to advanced slopes and is patrolled by National Ski Patrol. Skiland also has a snack bar with homemade pastries, breakfast, specials, snacks, soups, sandwiches, beverages, and desserts.

Skiland will also be announcing a ski bus, which will be running every Saturday and Sunday of March. While they have updated the sizing of youth and teen rentals, a parent's signature is needed to do a rental. Skiers must consider this when going to Skiland with a friend!

Spring Break: Call 456-SNOW for snow conditions and ski report or visit www.skiland.org/

My Gym Children's Fitness Center

374-0333

475 Riverstone Way, Fairbanks

Spring Break Camp at My Gym Children's Fitness Center

Ages 3 years to 9 years

Monday, March 13 and Tuesday, March 14

10:00 am-1:00 pm

Relays, games, and zip line! Time to be with friends! Snacks! Crafts! So many fun activities!
\$30 per day, \$25 second child

Sign up online at www.mygym.com/fairbanks/camp

Noel Wien Library

459-1052

Listings below are sponsored by Noel Wien Public Library, **1215 Cowles St., Fairbanks, AK**

March 12-**Movies @ Your Public Library**, Noel Wien Public Library Auditorium,

Sunday, 1:30 pm. Call the Berry Room for the title of the 107-minute animated movie involving a teenager in the South Pacific islands. Popcorn munchies will be served. Movie is shown on the big screen in the auditorium. Auditorium doors open ten minutes before show time. No registration is required. Free.

March 13-**Drop-in Craft: 3D Balloon**, Noel Wien Public Library Berry Room, Monday, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Up, up and away! Who will ride in your beautiful balloon? You can bring a picture of yourself or you can create a character to ride in the balloon! Create a three-dimensional hot air balloon at the library with materials supplied by the public library. For ages 3 and up. Free.

March 14-**Spring Break Story time**, Noel Wien Public Library Berry Room, Tuesday, 10:30 am. A fun story time for 3-5 year olds. Older siblings are welcome to join this special spring break version of story time. Free.

March 14-**Drop-in Craft: Birds Hatching In a Nest**, Noel Wien Public Library Berry Room, Tuesday, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Spring is here! Come to the library to create a cozy nest for your newly hatched craft baby birds, with materials supplied by the public library! For ages 3 and up. Free.

March 15-**Spring Break Story time**, Noel Wien Public Library Berry Room, Wednesday, 1:30 pm. A fun story time for 3-5 year olds. Older siblings are welcome to join this special spring break version of story time. Free.

Noel Wien Library (continued)

459-1052

March 16-**Drop-in Craft: Paper “Stained Glass Look” Butterfly**, Noel Wien Public Library Berry Room, Thursday, 1:00 pm to 5:00 pm. Create a colorful butterfly with a “stained glass look” using paper pieces, with materials supplied by the public library! Free.

March 17-**Movies @ Your Public Library**, Noel Wien Public Library Auditorium, Friday, 1:30 pm. Call the Berry Room for the title of the 84-minute movie sequel. Popcorn munchies will be served. Movie is shown on the big screen in the auditorium. Auditorium doors open ten minutes before show time. No registration is required. Free.

March 19-**Bricktastic**, Noel Wien Public Library Berry Room, Sunday, 2:00 pm. Join us for our funhour of toy brick building. This month, our theme is gadgets! We provide the toy bricks, you provide the imagination! For ages 3 and up. , 1215 Cowles St. Free.

North American Basketball Tournament

456-6646

UAF Campus Patty Center; 410 Tanana Loop

39th Annual Event! Thursday, March 16–Saturday, March 18. Teams from all over Alaska compete. Hosted by the World Eskimo-Indian Olympics.

The NABT is the premier Alaska Native Men’s, Women’s and Masters League basketball tournament in interior Alaska, and one of the top tournaments in Alaska! Every year 27 teams compete, with strong representation from most all ANCSA regions of Alaska.

The North American games are a wholesome family friendly event, with visitors and attendance from all regions of Alaska in addition to the local Fairbanks community.

North Pole Library

488-6101

656 NPHS Blvd., North Pole

Preschool Story time

Thursday, March 16 at 11:15 am. A fun time of stories, finger plays, songs and a craft for 3-5 year olds. Registration is **not** required.

Parents & Twos

Friday, March 17 at 11:15 am. A cozy story time for two-year olds and a parent or caregiver. Registration is required. To register, call the library at 488-6101.

Movie Matinee

Wednesday, March 15 at 2:00 pm. When a blight strikes her island, the young daughter of a Polynesian chief sets sail in search of Maui, a legendary demigod, in the hope of saving her people. Rated PG; 107 minutes.

Drop-in craft

Thursday, March 16 from 12:00-5:00 pm. Create-a-Puppet. Pop in and make a hand puppet to take home with you! All materials provided. All are welcome.

Paws for Purple Hearts

Friday, March 17 at 2:00 pm. Enjoy a service dog demonstration, participate in a disability awareness activity, and make a dog-related craft project.

Cabin Fever Adult Winter Reading Program

January 15-March 15

Relieve your cabin fever by visiting other people, places, worlds and times! Enjoy the puzzle of fitting the books you read into bingo rows with a chance to win prizes too! No registration required, pick up your Cabin Fever Book Bingo sheet at the North Pole Branch Library. Call 488-1082 for more details or go to the website <http://fnsblibrary.org>

Open North American Championship Sled Dog Race 457-6874

Musher's Hall, 925 Farmer's Loop, Fairbanks

Friday, March 17, 1:00 pm-Sunday, March 19, 6:00 pm. Three days of sprint races with unlimited dogs--the oldest annual sled dog race in the world. Race takes place at COST: Spectators Free.

The Alaska Dog Mushers Association is pleased to announce the running of the 72nd GCI Open North American Championship Sled Dog Race. Sprint mushers from around the world will compete in this 3-day dog sled race in Fairbanks, Alaska. The GCI Open North American Championship is the longest continuously run and unofficial "Most Prestigious" dog sled race in the world.

Orion's Belt School of Self Defense

456-2358

407 Old Steese Highway

Spring Break Sports Camp, "Artful Antics." Monday-Friday, March 13-17. 8:00 am-4 pm, with aftercare available. A week of fun, friends, and fitness that will include:

- Martial Arts Training
- Art Projects
- Fitness
- New Friends

No martial arts experience needed, for ages 6 and up. Weekly Rate: \$200.00, daily rate: \$50.00 per day

Parka Parade

456-6485

Downtown Fairbanks

Sunday, March 19, 2016, 2:00 pm with registration at 1:00 pm. Showcasing beautiful, handmade summer and winter parkas after the sled dog races in downtown Fairbanks. For more information, visit www.fairbanksarts.org

Resource Center for Parents and Children

456-2866

726 26th Ave #2, Fairbanks

RCPC knows parenting is hard, which is why they provide a wealth of resources available for families. The mission at the Resource Center for Parents and Children is to create a culture that values parenting and keeps children safe through education, respect, advocacy and strong families. They welcome you to stop by their office, Monday-Friday, 9:00 am-5:00 pm, to browse the "Ma Poole" lending library and to check out books and videos on topics such as positive discipline, sibling rivalry, loving your teenager, becoming a new parent and so much more. If you need assistance with a specific parenting issue, the staff is always willing to assist.

For additional information visit RCPC on Facebook or visit www.fairbanksfamilies.com.

Tanana Lakes Recreation Area

459-1070

Located at South Cushman Extension

Conveniently located just minutes from downtown Fairbanks, Tanana Lakes is a 750 acre multi-use recreation area. This park offers plenty of outdoor opportunities year-round for people of all ages. FREE.

There are dozens of reasons to be outdoors! Try their groomed trails for cross-country skiing and skijoring! Tanana Lakes Recreation Area also has an ice-skating rink and a ½-mile skate loop!

Open 7 days a week from 6:00 am until 10:00 pm.

For more information, please visit www.co.fairbanks.ak.us/pr/Pages/Tanana-Lakes-Recreation-Area.aspx

There will also be a recreational skate at Tanana Lakes on Tuesday, March 14 from 3-5pm. Skate rentals will be available for \$3. No cost to skate. (The event will be cancelled if it is snowing hard or colder than 0°F).

UAF Spring Break Rec Camp

474-5886

414 Tanana Loop E, Fairbanks

UAF SRC will host Rec Camp during Spring Break; March 13–17, 7:30 am-5:30 pm

The cost is \$200 for the week. Drop-ins are welcome and the cost is \$60.

Each day there will be a fun theme and tons of activities available through the university.

For more information, visit www.uaf.edu/draw/src/uaf-recreation-day-camp/

University of Alaska Museum of the North

474-7505

UA Museum of the North, 907 Yukon Drive, Fairbanks

UA-museumlearn@alaska.edu

Spring Break-March 2017

Explore the museum during spring break! Try gallery scavenger hunts. Discover activities in the Family Room. Drop in for a program in the Creativity Lab. Watch a museum movie. See authentic Alaska dinosaurs and try your hand at excavating fossils in our special exhibit, *Expedition Alaska: Dinosaurs*.

Friday, March 10. 10-Noon.

Early Explorers

For ages five and under, with adult. Siblings (all ages) welcome.

Drop in to the Creativity Lab and enjoy an experience together. Discover Film & Photography this month with your toddler or preschooler. Materials and age appropriate activities provided. Included with museum admission. Adult supervision required.

Saturday, March 11. 2-4pm.

Junior Curators

For ages six and up, with adult. Siblings (all ages) welcome.

Discover science, culture, and art through interactive investigations, hands-on exploration, and crafts. This week's theme is Film & Photography included with museum admission. Adult supervision required.

Friday, March 17. 10-Noon.

Early Explorers

For ages five and under, with adult. Siblings (all ages) welcome.

Drop in to the Creativity Lab and enjoy an experience together. Discover Film & Photography this month with your toddler or preschooler. Materials and age appropriate activities provided. Included with museum admission. Adult supervision required.

Wescott Pool

488-9402

300 E. 8th Avenue, North Pole

Open Swim with Water Slide:

Monday–Friday; 1:30-3:45 pm and 7:00-9:00 pm

Saturday, March 11: No Open Swim- St. Patrick's Day Meet ALL DAY

Saturday; 1:30-3:45 pm

Sunday; 1:00-2:45 pm and 4:00-5:45 pm

COST: Youth (ages 3-17), \$4.20. Adult (ages 18-59), \$6.30. Senior (60 & over), \$2.10

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