



John Fredson School

Principal/Teacher - Ms. Diane Olmstead

NEWSLETTER



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Staff Spotlight



Justine Villasencio

CHATGPT Stories

Upper elementary students began to learn what A.I. can do. Students created a story prompt and asked CHATGPT to compose a story from their prompt.

STEAM Projects

MS/HS students learned critical thinking skills through STEAM projects.

NASA Scientists Visit

John Fredson School had hosted NASA scientists. The scientist came to share information on tracking satellites and telescope repairs.

MS/HS Skiing

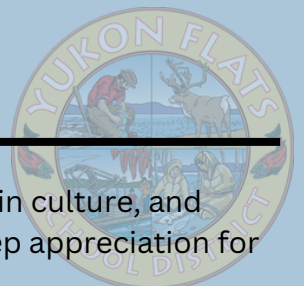
MS/HS students went out for skiing practice during their PE sessions.

3D Printing

Ms. Diane went to Fort Yukon for training in 3D printing. She returned to provide lessons in 3D printing for MS/HS students.

Hearing Screening

John Fredson School hosted visitors who provided free hearing screening for students.





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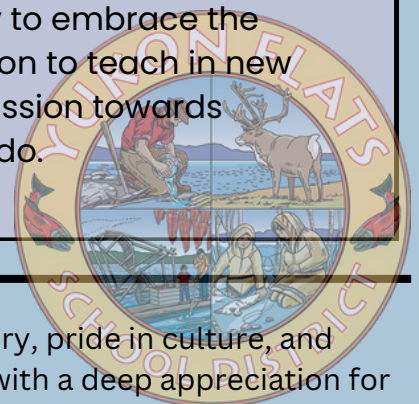
Justine P. Villasencio

Neenjit dōnch'yàa, I am Justine P. Villasencio, 28 years old, born and raised in the Philippines. I'm married to my beautiful wife Junicka Villasencio. We're blessed to have 2 children; my eldest son is Jon Arie who is 3 years old and my daughter Janielle is just 6 months old. I love to play badminton, chess and volleyball. As a sports enthusiast I won several awards in playing badminton and chess back in my home country.

I completed my Bachelor's Degree in Secondary Education, majoring in Mathematics, at the University of Science and Technology of Southern Philippines- Cagayan de Oro campus under the aid and provision of a scholarship given by the Department of Science and Technology (DOST) last March 2017 with flying colors awarded as Cum Laude. Currently, I am pursuing and just had completed my Academic Requirement in my Master's Degree in Science in Teaching Mathematics in the same university. As a teacher, I taught 7 years as a Senior High School level in Philippines handling Grades 11-12 with concentration on Mathematics, Science and Research subjects. Along with my teaching experience I also served as Grade 12 Year Level chairman, Sports Coordinator, Guidance Designate, Student council moderator, School Paper publication adviser and mentor and Work Immersion focal person. As an educator, I also received numerous awards as an Outstanding Teacher in Senior High School Category in district and division level.

It started in a dream, and it was realized the moment I got a Job Offer in Alaska schools, particularly in the Yukon Flats School District. As a teacher, teaching in the USA is a great opportunity. My ultimate goal in this new journey is to inspire, motivate, and influence students to learn. I want to grow from my comfort zone and try to explore new things. I believe that being given a chance to teach in US schools will bring me so much experience and growth.

Presently, I am teaching in John Fredson School handling MS/HS Science and Mathematics in both levels. For me, this is a fulfillment of a dream and I am ready to embrace the challenge that lies with it. It will take a lot of adjustment and transition to teach in new environment but it will be all worth it in the end. I believe that my passion towards teaching will fuel my drive to pursue excellence in everything that I do.



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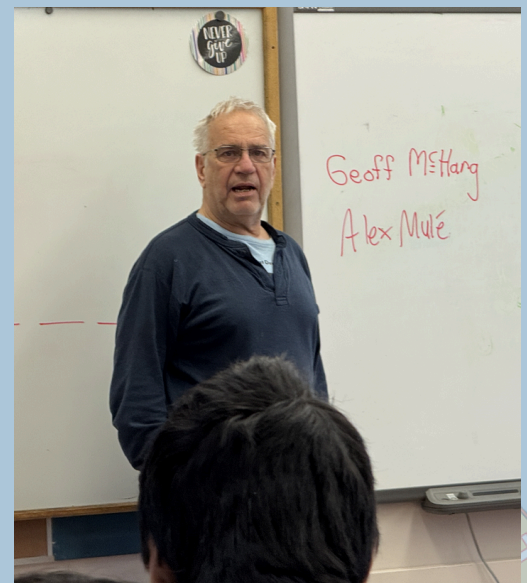
MS/HS Skiing



STEAM Projects



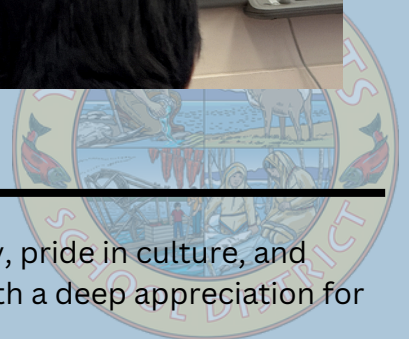
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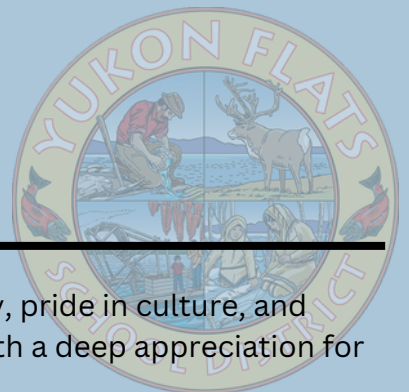
Bulletin

January Dates

- Jan. 6th - Teacher Work Day
- Jan. 7th - Start of Quarter 3 / Semester 2
- Jan. 8th - PLC Meeting “NWEA data review with Matthew Stark
- Jan. 10th - Report Cards mailed to parents.
- Jan. 15th - Hearing Screening
- Jan. 15th - Speech Therapist, Hearing Specialists, and GCI guests arrive.
- Jan. 17th - Deadline for notifying parents of IRIP changes
- Jan. 20th - District Inservice (No Students) A.I. Training
- Jan. 20th - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
- Jan. 21st. - YFSD Board of Education Meeting (Zoom Session) 3PM
- Jan. 21st. - Reading Progress Monitoring #6
- Jan. 27th to Jan. 31st - Diane away for training with 3D printing

John Fredson School Staff

Principal/Teacher	- Ms. Diane Olmstead
Classroom Teacher	- Mr. Joel Brooks
Classroom Teacher	- Mrs. Vanessa Fe Carmona
Classroom Teacher	- Mr. Justine Villasencio
Gwich'in Teacher	- Ms. Kathleen Tritt
Paraprofessional	- Ms. Darlene Christian
Paraprofessional	- Ms. Jamie Frank
Maintenance	- Mr. Jeremiah Druck
School Cook	- Ms. Audrey Rolfe



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