

Brown Junior High School
The Kodiaks, 8th Grade Team 2008-2009



Our team name is The Kodiaks. Kodiak bears are a subspecies of the brown bear and are the largest bear in the world. Alaska's Wildlife Conservation website states, "Although generally solitary in nature, Kodiak bears often occur in large groups in concentrated feeding areas." This striking comparison to teens only makes our name more appropriate! Each week our team will meet to share ideas and work together to identify students who might be struggling in our classes.

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BEING PART OF A TEAM MEANS WORKING TOGETHER.

Each semester this school year, teachers will work together on an interdisciplinary unity which focuses on a theme. For the first semester, our school theme is conservation. The Kodiaks will focus on recycling, combining that with a community-service activity to clean up litter around the school and neighborhood. Students will learn about renewable and non-renewable resources, collecting data and organizing it for presentation, and write a creative story that portrays the student's version of a world in the future. During the second semester, the school's theme is health and fitness. The Kodiaks will compare the lifestyles of different countries and how that affects the citizens' health and fitness levels, in addition to learning about respiration and heart rate and percentages of fats versus calories in the foods they eat every day.

The following are the course scopes for core subject areas for 8th grade Kodiaks: