Mt. Edgecumbe featured on TLC

On November 5, The Learning Channel presented a thirty-minute special on Mt. Edgecumbe High School, Alaska's residential secondary school located in Sitka. Entitled Creating A Community of Learners, the show focuses on Mt. Edgecumbe's efforts to create a school-wide culture that nourishes broad and constant learning among both students and staff. The show is part of the award-winning TeacherTV series that identifies innovations for tomorrow's schools and strategies for today.

Mt. Edgecumbe High School each year serves approximately 275 students from over 100 communities throughout Alaska. Operated by the federal government for its first 35 years, the school is now part of the Alaska Department of Education and provides an alternative for students with limited or no high school in their local communities or for whom placement in a residential setting is considered to

be of particular benefit. Approximately 80 percent of its graduates each year elect to pursue post-secondary education.

In recent years the school has received national and international attention for pioneering the application of total quality management to the education setting.