

**Report from Federal Title Grants
Board Meeting
February 13, 2018**

Special Education (Title VI-B) Grant

The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) is a federal program that provides funding to school districts under Title VI-B. The purpose of the grant is to provide funding to supplement, not supplant, school district general funds to provide special education and related services to students with disabilities who are enrolled in special education programs. Kuspuk intends to use the funding from this Title VI-B grant for expenses incurred by our Special Education program.

Our district has 52 special education students with active Individual Education Programs (IEPs) at this time. This grant will supplement general funding to provide mandated specialists such as Occupational Therapy, Speech Therapy, and school psychological testing. The grant covers contract amounts, travel and per diem for these specialists, plus materials and supplies for special education students. This grant also pays for partial salary for the Special Education Coordinator as well as partial salary of a classified paraprofessional who works directly with special education students.

This grant is renewed each year through the Federal Office of Education and the Alaska State Department of Education and Early Development. The amount the district receives depends on federal allocations which are determined each spring.

Respectfully submitted by
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