

Kuspuk School District

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Superintendent's Report

September 3, 2019

Staffing:

- GMS Still searching for K-4 teacher
- GMSHS Still searching for Math/Science teacher

Superintendent Travel (Out of District):

- Educator Data Training September 9 12 Juneau
- Alaska School Safety & Well Being Summit September 17 20 Anchorage
- Fall Conference September 25-29

Construction Update:

- 1. ADEC has required a hydrologist study to confirm that the additional draw on water well will not exacerbate the existing contamination situation.
- 2. At a standstill until DOT gives us a building permit. The hold up is the ongoing discussion in regards to the demolition of the Joe Parent Building. DEED continues negotiations with DOT.

Legislative Update:

The governor again cut half, or nearly \$49 million, of the state money used to **pay down debt for older school bonds**. To pick up half of the state's portion of the bills, Alaska cities and boroughs will likely raise taxes, cut services or a combination of both, the executive director of the Alaska Municipal League has said. Dunleavy also vetoed half, or nearly \$20 million, of the state money used to pay down debt for school bonds in Alaska's Regional Educational Attendance Areas, the rural districts with no taxing authority.

Coalition for Education Equity has already alerted the Legislature and the Governor that they see failure to fully fund the REAA School Fund as a breach of the Kasayulie consent decree, and that we will pursue legal action if steps are not taken to rectify this failure.

Next year, without the foresight and protections of forward funding, our staffs will be at pink slip risk, our schools and students will be in the budget crosshairs as UA was this year, and the Governor's push for public funding of private schools will likely be in full play.

PEAKS TESTING RESULTS:

September 5 - Public release of state, district, school, and subgroup data on <u>DEED website</u> **September 25 -** Deadline for district distribution of reports to teachers and parents

Additional Information: Strategic Planning - Dates Available: Jan. 28-31; Feb 3-6; Feb 24-28 AASB: Timi Tullis: Timi's goals for the session would be to:

- 1. Review and possibly revise the current Vision and Mission Statements
- 2. Agree on a set of beliefs and parameters.
- 3. Develop two or three objectives for the school district.
- 4. Develop corresponding strategies for those objectives.
- 5. Establish Action Teams and potential action goals to flesh out the strategies at a later date.