



Anchorage School Board
Community Council Report
April 2023

1. **Board Meetings:** Usually the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays.... except for an occasional Monday to avoid conflicts with Assembly Meetings.
 - **April Meetings:**
 - Monday, April 3, 6pm
 - Tuesday, April 18, 6pm
 - **Work Sessions:** 4pm, ASD Board Room (**Note:** Some Work Sessions might start at 3PM).
 - **Executive Sessions:** 5pm, School Board Conference Room
 - **Public Comment or Testimony on Action Items:** Must Sign-up to provide in-person, telephonic or written comments:
<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeVWE-wiHua43o2AoMSntvjRU2hOo1Wb1rg1dUJaRK0sD03hQ/viewform>
 - **Watch Board Meetings on-line:**
<https://www.youtube.com/user/AnchorageSD>
2. **School Board Committee Meetings** (ASD Board Room):
 - Finance Committee Meeting: **April 5 @ Noon**
 - Communication Committee Meeting: **April 27 @ Noon**
 - Governance Committee Meetings: **April 27 @ 1pm**
3. **FY 23-24 Budget:** You can see the approved budget here:
<https://www.asdk12.org/cms/lib/AK02207157/Centricity/Domain/1225/FY24%20Proposed%20Budget%20-%20with%20TOC%20and%20Page%20nbrs.pdf>
4. **2023 Education-Related Bonds;** <https://www.asdk12.org/bonds>
 - a. Proposition 1: Passing as of 4/5
 - b. Proposition 14: Passing as of 4/5
5. **Preview of Future Work Session Topics:**
 - a. Alaska Literacy Act Initiative
 - b. New K-2 ELA Curriculum Adoption
 - c. Six Grade to Middle School
 - d. School Start Times & PLCs
 - e. Options for ASDV Elementary & Middle



- f. Transition Plan for Abbott Loop Elementary
 - g. Relocation of ANCCS
 - h. Budget Forecasts for FY24 and FY 25:
 - o If no funding increase
 - o If one-time funding
 - o If a BSA increase
 - i. Transition of Family Partnership to an Alternative ASD Correspondence School
6. **2023 Legislative Priorities (Our Three B's):** The pathway to achieving the Anchorage School Board's goals requires close collaboration and partnership with the Alaska State Legislature. Our 2023 Legislative Priorities are the foundation for this partnership and collaboration @ <https://www.asdk12.org/legislative>

Base Student Allocation:

- Reverse seven years of declining education funding by changing the statutory formula to provide a fair, inflation-adjusted Base Student Allocation (BSA).
- Update the funding formula by directing a state-funded Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER) study of the District Cost Factor.
- Prioritize the recruitment and retention of high-quality educators by providing a competitive retirement and health benefits in a pension plan that will address the statewide teacher shortage.
- Support post-secondary opportunities in order to build an Alaska-based educator pipeline.
- Support student and staff wellness, mental health, and safety by supporting practices that support the whole child (mental and behavioral health, trauma informed practices, Social Emotional Learning (SEL) and restorative justice practices.

Busing:

- Increase student transportation funding, and adjust for inflation, to a level that will not require districts to reduce classroom funding to pay for transportation.

Bond Debt Reimbursement

- Eliminate the current moratorium on State Bond Debt Reimbursement (SBDR) for voter-approved propositions. This will restore community support that is needed to reverse years of escalating deferred maintenance.

7. **School Start Times: Townhall meetings, Board discussions, Staff presentations and Survey Results:** <https://www.asdk12.org/schoolstart2023>
8. **2023 Spring Lottery:** Feb. 15- April 14. More information and dates available [here](#).
9. **AK STAR Testing:** March 27- April 14. <https://www.asdk12.org/akstar>
10. **Controversial Books & Materials Process:** ASD has a comprehensive process to receive, review and resolve concerns regarding instructional and library materials. Concerns may

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be submitted by parents, guardians, staff, students, and community members. I invite you to view the relevant portion of ASD's website, where you can find additional information which may be of interest and use. <https://www.asdk12.org/Page/18977>

11. **Community input on teacher, administrator performance now open:** ASD welcomes community input regarding our teacher and administrator employees' performance from December through April 30. <https://www.asdk12.org/publicinput>



12. See upcoming events @ <https://www.asdk12.org/countdowntokindy>

13. **ASD Connect, January Edition** <https://myemail.constantcontact.com/ASD-Connect-December-2022.html?soid=1102486613387&aid=EBdFHUibO84>

14. **Goals & Guardrails:**



<https://www.asdk12.org/Page/18195>

- **Progress Monitoring Calendar: for Goals & Guardrails:**
<https://www.asdk12.org/cms/lib/AK02207157/Centricity/Domain/1184/Cycles%201-5.pdf>

15. **Other Highlights:**

- April is:
 - Year of the Military Child
- **Community Volunteer Signup:**
<https://www.asdk12.org/site/Default.aspx?PageID=13771>
- **District Calendars:**
 - **Academic Calendars:** <https://www.asdk12.org/Page/2>
 - **School Board Calendar:** <https://www.asdk12.org/Page/10247>
 - **Sports & Activity Schedules:**
<https://www.asdk12.org/activities/>