

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

MEMORANDUM

TO: Qaiyaan Harcharek, President

Members of the School Board

THROUGH: Peggy Cowan, CEO

THROUGH: Linda Saito, Assistant Superintendent

FROM: Liz Noble, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

DATE: May 1, 2017

SUBJECT: Pilot Course/Program Proposal Exhibit 6141.4 Memo #: SB17-144

Information Item

NSBSD Strategic Plan Goal:

1.ACADEMIC SUCCESS/WHOLE CHILD: All students will reach their intellectual potential and achieve academic success through integrating Iñupiaq knowledge systems into the core content areas and focusing on the development of the Whole Child.

Recommendation:

Encourage Pilot Programs based on evidence and expectations.

Issue Summary:

The North Slope School district continues to research materials that align with the Iñupiaq Learning Framework. Pilot Course/Program Proposal Outline Form provides guidance in the selection of new recommended materials for adoption with expected outcomes.

Background:

(cf. 6141.4 - Pilot Programs) The Superintendent or designee shall establish instructional material evaluation committees to review and recommend materials for adoption. These committees may include teachers, administrators and other staff who have subject-matter expertise, as well as parents/guardians and/or community members broadly representative of the district's ethnic and socioeconomic composition. Staff members who participate in selecting and/or evaluating instructional materials shall be those most competent for the task because of their professional training, experience and assignments. The majority of each evaluation committee's membership shall be teachers. Individuals who participate in selecting and evaluating instructional materials shall have no financial interest in the materials being reviewed, recommended, or approved.