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Dear Lake and Peninsula School Board,

We are writing to you today to ensure that you are aware of our upcoming projected population growth for Newhalen School. We are thrilled to have such an increase of our school population but we have run out of classroom space and are requesting that the School Board take a look into this matter. We would like to work with the School District to help meet the needs of the students of Newhalen and Iliamna and our growing populations. It would be in the best interest of all if we are able to act sooner rather than later so that we may alleviate any stress and safely accommodate the incoming students.

Attached are the projected numbers as well as the end of the year numbers from the past two years. As you can see we have grown and are forecasted to continue that growth.

2018-2019	K-12 = 70
2019-2020	K-12 = 77
2020-2021	K-12 = 79
2021-2022	K-12 = 85
2022-2023	K-12 = 89
2023-2024	K-12 = 90
2024-2025	K-12 = 90
2025-2026	K-12 = 91

From 2018-Current, we have already grown by 12%. We are projected to grow 23% from 2018-2026, an additional by 21 students.

With our growing student numbers, we also have a growing need for more food for breakfast and lunches. This requires more storage which we have been in need of for many years. Currently, we have to store the prepacked breakfast and lunch meals in our hallway space.

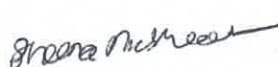
We have moved our library to a vacant teacher housing unit. If a teacher needs a separate space to work one on one with a student, the hallway is often the only choice.

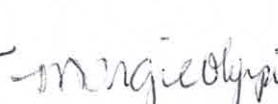
We are asking the Lake and Peninsula School Board to increase our school footprint this summer so that we are able to accommodate our growing school population and storage issues. We look forward to having this conversation with you soon at the March 18 meeting. Our next LSAC meeting is set for March 23, 2021 at 3:45pm.

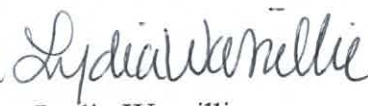
Sincerely,


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