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Student Report to the School Board
AASB Youth Advocacy Institute 2026

The Youth Advocacy Institute brought students from across Alaska together to learn about leadership, advocacy, and how laws about education are made. We attended workshops, practiced speaking about issues that affect students, and had the opportunity to meet with legislators.

During the institute, I learned how important it is for students to share their voices and perspectives when decisions about education are being made. I also learned about Senate Bill 210, which focuses on Indigenous cultural heritage education and encourages schools to work with Alaska Native tribes and communities to include Native culture and knowledge in education.

I also had the opportunity to meet students from many different communities. I made new friends and reconnected with friends I had met during other youth leadership programs, while also exploring Juneau outside of the fly-in.

Thank you NSBSD school board for taking me and allowing me to represent our communities!