

SCHOOL BOARD COMMUNICATION

Title: Approval of Name Change for Extensions Correspondence

Date: June 9, 2026

Administrator: Jamie Burgess, Superintendent and Rachel Ventress, Extensions Lead Teacher

Attachments: None



Action Needed



For Discussion



Information



Other

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Superintendent Burgess and Ms. Ventress had discussed the possibility of changing the name of the District’s homeschooling program to both match more closely with the current mascots, and also to more clearly state the purpose of the program to assist with marketing the program statewide.

Ms. Ventress consulted with all currently enrolled families, who support the name change. Ms. Ventress spoke with several language bearers, and the suggestion is to rename the program to Nannut Iłtaka Homeschool, which is “family of polar bears” in Inupiaq. An “AI” generated logo was created by Ms. Ventress to act as a placeholder, as we will seek for a logo created by a current homeschool student during the upcoming year. This logo is on the Handbook in a separate action item.

The District will inform the Department of Education regarding the name change, and the District will then make the appropriate changes on our website, PowerSchool, etc.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends approval of the name change of Extensions Correspondence to Nannut Iłtaka Homeschool.

Sample Motion: I move to approve the name change of Extensions Correspondence to Nannut Iłtaka Homeschool.