



## NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Qaiyaan Harcharek, President  
Members of the School Board

**THROUGH:** Peggy Cowan, Chief Educational Officer

**THROUGH:** Linda Saito, Assistant Superintendent

**FROM:** Caitlin Montague, Coordinator of Assessment & Accountability

**DATE:** April 24, 2017

**SUBJECT:** School Calendars 2017-2018

**MEMO#:** SB17-141  
(Action Item)

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#### **NSBSD Strategic Plan Goal:**

2.3.7 Implement common calendar that includes culturally sensitive local needs.

#### **Recommendation:**

The administration recommends the Board adopt the FY18 school calendars as proposed by each site's School Advisory Council.

#### **Issue Summary:**

Each year the School Advisory Council (SAC) in each community follows the Board Policy and Administrative Regulation on calendar development and recommends a school calendar to the Board. The administration made the process more flexible in order to allow a culturally sensitive calendar.

#### **Background:**

The memo from Superintendent Szymoniak outlined the process for the development of school calendars. The requirements were limited to state law, Board Policy, negotiated agreements, and district inservice dates. Each school has 183 student/teacher days including up to ten in-service days, three teacher workdays, and six teacher holidays, for 192 total teacher days.

The Kaktovik School Advisory Councils' (SAC) updated recommendation for 2017-2018 calendar is included for approval and adoption. The start date remains unchanged, at August 10. The winter break remains unchanged, December 14 – January 2.

Changes are as follows:

- Site inservice changed from November 11 to April 7
- Two vacation days were added November 16-17
- A vacation date was added March 9
- A vacation day was added April 13
- School close date was changed from May 10 to May 16.

**Motion:**

“I move that the NSBSD Board of Education adopt FY18 School Calendar for Harold Kaveolook School as presented in memo SB17-141”