

Department of Education & Early Development

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Dear Superintendent,

The Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) is notifying you that your district does not qualify for an American Rescue Plan Elementary and Secondary Emergency Relief Homeless Children and Youth II (ARP-HCY) allocation. Districts must have an allocation of at least \$5,000 under the formula to be eligible for an ARP-HCY subgrant on its own. Funding is distributed to LEAs via a formula that uses the LEA's allocation under part A of title I of the ESEA and the number of identified homeless children and youth in either school year 2018-19 or 2019-20, whichever number is greater. The district allocations can be found on the attachment.

A district can form a consortium with other districts to reach the \$5,000 threshold. A consortium would involve entering into a letter of agreement with other district(s) with one district serving as the fiscal agent. Districts must notify DEED **by October 15, 2021** if interested in forming a consortium.

If your district decides to form a consortium, and there are unallocated funds from other districts who choose not to form a consortium, additional funds may become available. This additional amount will not be available until late October 2021.

Please contact Cecilia Miller at Cecilia.miller@alaska.gov or 907-465-8703 with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Susan McKenzie () Director Innovation and Education Excellence

Enclosure

cc: Cecilia Miller, State Homeless Coordinator District Homeless Coordinators