

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:	Robyn Burke, President Members of the School Board		
THROUGH:	David Vadiveloo, Chief School Administrator DsV		
THROUGH:	H: Caitlin Santos, Director of Curriculum & Instruction		
FROM:	Ranel Gandia, Student Records Manager <i>RG</i> Ian Acuna, Data Manager <i>IA</i>		
DATE:	October 2, 2023		
SUBJECT:	Enrollment and Attendance Report	Memo No. SB24-042 (Information Item)	

## **NSBSD Strategic Plan Goal:**

1.2 Engaged & Empowered by Learning - Attendance: Cultivate an environment where attendance is valued, encouraged, and supported and implement a culturally integrated calendar that is aligned across the district to increase attendance and expand options for students.

## **Issue Summary:**

Research consistently shows that student attendance matters. Students with higher attendance rates are more likely to meet state academic standards, and graduate on time at higher rates. Educational outcomes reflect attendance even in the earliest grades, and then those gaps continue to widen into secondary (grades 6-12). While some students are more adversely affected by absences than others, it is clear that the effects of absences accumulate over time; attendance matters and every day counts. This is not to say that perfect attendance should be the goal 'no matter what.' We understand that students may miss school for a variety of reasons, and do not want to encourage sick children to attend when it is not appropriate to do so. In light of these factors, and the overwhelming amount of research, the district has set the attendance goal for all students at 80%.

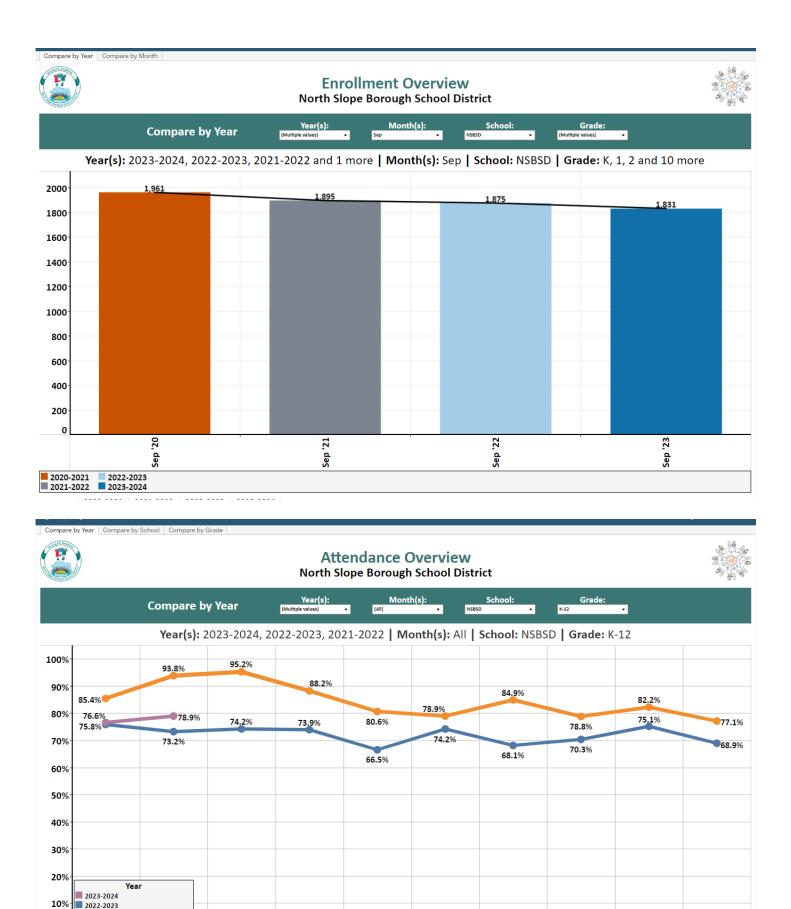
K-12 Enrollment by Site						
School	Current Student Count	Attendance Report	22-23 September Student Count			
Nunamiut School	97	67.00% (↓ <b>5.28%</b> )	89			
Tikiġaq School	244	76.46% († 5.31%)	244			
Nuiqsut Trapper School	153	72.01% (↓ 2.73%)	148			
Kali School	79	89.23% († 3.95%)	72			
Alak School	147	76.11% († 3.56%)	158			
Harold Kaveolook School	52	87.47% († 4.42%)	58			
Meade River School	77	74.97% (↓ <b>2.49%</b> )	74			
Barrow High School	272	76.73% († 3.27%)	288			
Eben Hopson Middle School	223	83.99% († 2.72%)	245			
Fred Ipalook Elementary School	437	83.53% († 3.64%)	451			
KIITA Learning Community	41	71.98% (↓ 1.47%)	34			
Total	1822	78.92% († 2.36%)	1861			

K3 & K4 Enrollment by Site						
School	Current Student Count	Attendance Report	22-23 September Student Count			
Nunamiut School	14	65.90% ( <b>↓ 6.96%</b> )	15			
Tikiġaq School	19	67.61% († 5.23%)	23			
Nuiqsut Trapper School	15	54.93% (↓ 14.76%)	15			
Kali School	9	90.64% († 6.88%)	12			
Alak School	11	78.76% († 8.64%)	9			
Harold Kaveolook School	4	80.88% (↓ 7.00%)	9			
Meade River School	8	63.19% ( <b>J</b> 27.72%)	8			
Fred Ipalook Elementary School	98	67.80% ( <b>\ 7.65%</b> )	82			
Total	178	68.43% (↓ <b>5.85%</b> )	173			

Night School Enrollment						
School	Current Student Count	22-23 September Student Count				
KIITA Learning Community	9	14				

The symbols ( $\uparrow$  and  $\downarrow$ ) next to the data indicates if there was an increase or decrease since the last monthly report, the percentage next to the symbol indicates the amount it has increased or decreased by since the last monthly report.

Below, you will find two new charts. The first chart is a year over year enrollment summary starting with 2020. The second chart is showing year over year attendance throughout the school year. We provide this information so that trends can be seen, however please note that due to COVID related attendance policies, as well as the way that attendance was previously calculated, the attendance rate for the 2021-2022 school year is inflated. During that time, when a school was in "Red" status, or operating remotely, all attendance was "present." During that school year, we also counted a student present daily, rather than period by period in Middle School and High School. This data is helpful however in order to see peaks and valleys by month.



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