

Student Representative report for the month of April 2025

April was another busy month for Nome-Beltz. Seniors left for their DC and NY trip at the end of March and stayed into early April. We had the opportunity to learn political history about the U.S and how it has led to the way our government operates today. Through this experience we also had the chance to bond as a class with all the activities we did together. While a majority of seniors went to DC, some joined a few Juniors on the CTE trip that took place the same time as the DC trip.

Music regional competition was hosted at Beltz from April 9-12th. Our students did really well, with a few of them qualifying for state, including Davin Herzner, Jaiden Sookiyiak-Moriarty, Clary Ruud, Marilyn Noyakuk, and Renee Brown. That weekend we also had a dance for our students and the visiting musicians. In April Track season started for the second year, now under the lead of Coach Spencer. They attended their first meet in Wasilla the weekend of April 25th. Also, two Nome NYO teams went to the Native Youth Olympics State competition from April 24-27th in Anchorage, our Nanook Team and a tribal team representing King Island Native Community.

The Student Council orchestrated a school walk-out on April 11th to support Red for ED. We did this with other schools in our region, Kotzebue, Bethel, and Barrow. This was important to the student body because we care about our teachers and school community. We advocated for a raise to the BSA so Alaskan schools have the adequate funding to support teachers and staff in helping students to learn and grow. Towards the end of the month, we had meetings to reflect on all that we have done this year in Student Council. We analyzed our successes and things we can work on, it was very effective. Something we found that we need to work on is to advertise ourselves more. The things we implemented into the school were not recognized as Student Council accomplishments. One of our members drafted some bylaws to put in place for next year. At another of our meetings we invited students that may be interested in joining Student Council, to tell them who we are and what we do.

We had an Earth Day assembly on April 22nd. It was led by Ms. Liben and Ms. Berry. There was a presentation, trivia, and a game. It was informative and engaging.

Drama Club began in April and the group has been rehearsing long hours to prepare for their production of “*I Hate Shakespeare*.” We hope you all can make it to one of our performances. Show times are this week: May 14, 15, and 16, with curtain calls at 6:30 each evening. The next day will be prom, and then just two short weeks of school left (one for seniors).

