



## NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

### MEMORANDUM

**TO:** Roxanne Brower, President  
Members of the School Board

**THROUGH:** Stewart McDonald, Superintendent

**FROM:** Liz Noble, Director of Curriculum and Instruction

**DATE:** March 7, 2019

**SUBJECT:** Graduation Waiver

**Memo No: SB19-115**  
**(Action Item)**

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**NSBSD Strategic Plan Goal:**

N/A Operational

**Recommendation:**

It is recommended that the Board grant waivers for students to obtain .5 credit for Alaska Studies in accordance with Alaska Administrative Code (4 AAC 06.075). These students moved to Alaska from another state in the past year.

**Issue Summary:**

This is a request to grant a waiver for 8 students scheduled to graduate from the North Slope Borough School District (NSBSD) with special circumstances in their required coursework. Each student will complete 22 credits of work as required but because of their circumstances a waiver is needed to replace a specific course.

**Background:**

Alaska Administrative Code, 4 AAC 06.075 states, “(d) Beginning January 1, 2009, the three units of credit in social studies required under (b)(2) of this section must include one-half unit of credit in Alaska history or demonstration that the student meets the Alaska history performance standards. The provisions of this subsection do not apply to a student who (1) transfers into an Alaska public school after the student's second year of high school; or (2) has already successfully completed a high school state history course from another state.”

**Motion:**

I move that the NSBSD Board of Education grant the waivers for the 8 students requiring special circumstances to graduate. These students will have completed the NSBSD required number of credits.

Motion by \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded by \_\_\_\_\_

Advisory Vote \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_