



AK-TRAILS BOARD REPORT May 2025



General News: As we move into the future, AK-TRAILS is hoping to expand and broaden our appeal both locally and statewide. We will continue to offer individualized services and take active measures to improve as we grow.

PAC: AK-TRAILS is forming a parent advisory committee! We will adopt a streamlined vision and mission statement, and are also hoping to get some overall input on what parents would like the new and improved AK-TRAILS program to look like.

Handbook: Cassandra, Rod, and Melanie have been working on updating our current handbook to make it as relevant as possible to both local and statewide families. Up to this point, our handbook has contained specific dates and other information, requiring yearly updates. We want to remedy this by moving some of the information (such as curriculum lists and dates of testing windows) over to our website. Other areas where we are focusing on are allotment amounts and the revision and refinement of rules concerning student travel.

Sports: AK-TRAILS sent 3 high school students to Archery Nationals in Sandy, Utah. The students competed in 4 events each, and represented our district well, serving as role models for younger students. While they were there, students also toured colleges and participated in many educational outings (as well as some just for fun!).



Prom: AK-TRAILS and Thorne Bay student leaders worked together to plan and decorate for prom. It was a simple but successful event.



Trips: AK-TRAILS student Curtis Harriger is gearing up to go on the Close Up trip to Washington, D.C. This student is from an outlying area, so it's really exciting for him to be able to go on this trip and interact with other students.

Another student, Tia Christopherson, is preparing to head off to

RAHI (Rural Alaska Honors Institute) on May 27th. Tia is looking forward to the opportunity to earn college credits free of charge during this 6 week intensive program at the University of Alaska Fairbanks.



Graduation: AK-TRAILS has 3 seniors graduating this year. Congratulations to our students for working hard and achieving this success!

Report Respectfully Submitted by Cassandra Christopherson

SISD Vision:

"Students are equipped to achieve their dreams and aspirations"

SISD Mission:

"Set a foundation by cultivating experiences for students to develop goals and thrive in an ever-changing world."

