

SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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State & Federal Programs/Grants Board Report October 17, 2023

Grants Submitted:

- AHFC Housing Grant for Hollis, Thorne Bay, and Coffman Cove This grant was submitted on Tuesday, October 10, 2023 to the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation requesting funding to support affordable housing projects in these communities.
- Equipment Grant for Port Alexander A grant was submitted to the Alaska Child Nutrition Program on October 16, 2023 to purchase a propane freezer for the school. This will enable the school to store food for longer periods of time.
- Biomass Grant for the Denali Commission A preliminary grant proposal was submitted on October 16, 2023, to the Denali Commission for funding to replace the current wood boiler system and revamp the aquaponics system in the school's greenhouse. This will allow the greenhouse to continue supplying fresh produce to local schools.
- 12 Grants on GMS Over the past month, 12 grants were submitted via the Alaska DEED Grant Management System including AKLiteracy, CTE, Covid Discretionary, Covid Relief, Early Learning, Homeless, Migrant Supplement, ESEA, Safety and Well Being, School Improvement and Special Education.

Grants Approved:

 AKLiteracy, CTE, Covid Discretionary, Homeless, Migrant Supplement, Safety and Well Being, School Improvement and Special Education have all been administrator approved by DEED.

Grants Pending:

- Covid Relief Grant This grant will be submitted this week to Alaska DEED.
- ESEA Grant The consolidated ESEA grant application, including Title 1a, Title 1c, Title 2a and Title 4a, will be completed and submitted this week to Alaska DEED..

Migrant Program Update

- All identified migrant parents have been entered into the Migrant student information system to
 ensure they receive updates and information on program services.
- The first migrant book buy information has been distributed to all migrant families. This allows parents to obtain free books and supplies for their students.
- A Facebook page has been created for migrant parents to provide an additional communication channel and highlight upcoming migrant program activities.

Native Alaskan and Hawaiian Cultural Project

- An application is in progress for an Alaska Native and Hawaiian Art Development Grant in partnership with master carver Stormey Hamar.
- The grant would fund creation of a cultural center in Kasaan for students to learn traditional Haida dugout canoe construction and heritage.
- A letter of support request has been sent to Senator Dan Sullivan's office to fulfill the state senator support requirement.
- Bids are being collected to procure the necessary log for the canoe build.
- Consultation is underway with the Wrangell Cooperative Association regarding their workshop construction experience to inform our plans.
- Grant application materials are actively being gathered, though more time is needed to complete
 the full proposal. The deadline will be met for the next cycle if it is not finalized for the current
 round.