



NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT MEMORANDUM

TO: Esther Evikanna, President
Members of the Board

THROUGH: David Vadiveloo, Superintendent *DSVadiveloo*

FROM: Michael Hautala, Director of Student Services *MH*

DATE: January 10, 2026

SUBJECT: AK Safe

Memo No. SB26-089
(Informational Memo)

NSBSD Strategic Plan:

Student Social & Emotional Wellbeing

Goal 5: Facilitate and maintain culturally, emotionally, and physically safe learning environments.

Issue Summary:

Bullying has no place in the North Slope Borough School District. Unfortunately, many have felt or witnessed the effects of Bullying in our schools or community. In alignment with the NSBSD Strategic Plan, we would like to communicate to the NSBSD stakeholders (NSBSD Board, All Students, Staff, and Community) that bullying is not acceptable and should not be tolerated. Our goal is to create a safe learning environment for all.

The AKSafe app is a free mobile tool for Alaska schools, providing students, families, and staff a secure, anonymous way to report bullying, self-harm, violence, and other concerns to school officials via text, photo, or video, with direct, confidential two-way messaging and access to crisis resources like the Crisis Text Line. Developed by [Lightspeed Solutions](#), it's designed to foster safer school environments by making it easy to ask for help and share information, even when offline.

Key Features & Functions

- **Anonymous Reporting:** Submit tips about bullying, threats, substance abuse, or other issues without revealing your identity.
- **Two-Way Messaging:** Engage in private conversations with school administrators to provide more details, even after the initial report.
- **Media Uploads:** Attach photos or videos to support your report.
- **Resource Hub:** Access customized information and support for local, state, and national resources.
- **School Administration Tools:** A web-based platform for administrators to manage reports, communicate securely, and send broadcast messages.

Who Uses It?

- Students, parents, and staff in participating Alaskan school districts.





How It Works

1. **Download:** Get the app from the Apple App Store or Google Play.
2. **Report:** Tap to anonymously submit a concern with text, photos, or video.
3. **Communicate:** Receive private messages from school officials to resolve the issue.
4. **Get Help:** Access support resources.

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