



## NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

### MEMORANDUM

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

**THROUGH:** Katherine Ahgeak, Superintendent

**FROM:** Ronnie Stanford, Assistant Superintendent

**DATE:** February 13, 2020

**SUBJECT:** Arts Education New Vision Grant

Memo No. SB20-172  
**Action Item**

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#### **NSBSD Strategic Plan Goal:**

1.0 ACADEMIC SUCCESS/WHOLE CHILD: All students will reach their intellectual potential and achieve academic success through integrating Iñupiaq knowledge systems into the core content areas and focusing on the development of the Whole Child.

2.0 QARGI/COMMUNITY SPIRIT: Fostering the reclamation and recovery of the responsibility each one of us has for living the Iñupiaq values and being accountable at the personal and community levels for “walking the talk,” embodying the QARGI spirit and commitment to education.

#### **Issue Summary:**

The North Slope Borough School District has been awarded a \$10,000 grant from the Alaska State Council on the Arts. The grant requires a \$10,000 matching from the North Slope Borough School District for a \$20,000 total amount to use for Arts integration. This grant will be used to develop an Artist in Residence Program in the School District. An example of this type of program would be to bring in local artisans to provide learning opportunities for our students and training opportunities for our teachers as we encourage the integration of the Arts as a way to increase engagement, foster a love for the Arts, and learn from local experts. This is an annual award that ends on July 1, 2020.

#### **Background:**

The New Visions Grant is made possible with funding by the Alaska State Council on the Arts and the National Endowment for the Arts. Our goal is to develop a program where local artisans will come into the schools to support and train students as well as teachers with cultural arts and its integration. We want to create a sustainable system where the Arts will be supported by our local partners and integrated into our schools through local artisans as artist in residence. This grant award will be matched with \$10,000 from account 100.200.120.000.410

#### **Proposed Motion:**

“I move that the NSBSD Board of Education approve the acceptance of this \$10,000 award for Arts integration from the New Vision Grant made possible by the Alaska State Council on the Arts”

Moved By: \_\_\_\_\_ Seconded By: \_\_\_\_\_

Vote: \_\_\_\_\_