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This month inside Ed Connector, district administrators are talking about:

- ✓ Athletic Directors and Non-teaching Time
- ✓ Interest Based Bargaining Training
- ✓ Attendance Incentives
- ✓ House & Senate Education Funding Plans

New Partnership – Alaska Association for Elementary School Principals

Just this week Ed Connector has begun a new partnership w/ Alaska's Elementary Principals across the state. We are excited to support this new learning community and their effort to enhance further statewide collaboration.

Newly Added Resources

The Cost of Teacher Turnover in Alaska - CAEPR 4-20-17

Alaska faces challenges recruiting and retaining educators, especially in its rural and remote communities. This new report from the Center for Alaska Education Policy Research (CAEPR) details the costs associated with teacher turnover and calculates an average per-teacher cost in four categories: Separation, Recruitment, Hiring, and Induction. This report also details actual dollars allocated to these activities and makes recommendations for policy and practice.

Alaska Education Challenge Kick-Off Documents & Tools

On April 20, 2017 the State Board of Education began a process of listening, gathering input, and reporting information to inform strategies to improve Alaska's public education system - the *Alaska Education Challenge*. The Governor, the State Board of Education and the Department of Education & Early Development brought key stakeholders from across the state together to focus on 5 broad committee priorities: Student Learning, Educator Excellence, Modernization & Finance, Tribal & Community Ownership, and Safety & Well-Being.

OMB Analysis of AK Budget per Capita

What does "right-sizing" our state government mean? This analysis points out some pitfalls with comparing Alaska's per capita spending with other states. Some of the main findings include differences in accounting for federal receipts; PFD included as a cost in state budget; state covers functions handled by counties, port authorities and other entities in other states.

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