

# SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Southeast Island School District Board Report – Special Education & Assessment Departments April 2025

## **Preliminary Intensive Funding Entitlement Review**

We are pleased to report that we received the **Preliminary Intensive Funding Entitlement Review** from the Alaska Department of Education. This review was shared with our Superintendent and includes the following notification:

"This letter serves as Southeast Island School District's preliminary entitlement review findings. The department has completed its 2nd file review of new (FY24–25) intensive funding claims.

- For FY24–25, the Southeast Island School District submitted 5 new student(s) for intensive funding in OASIS.
- After the file review, 5 of the submission(s) are approved.
- The current total count of new approved intensive claims for the FY24–25 school year is 5.
- Please retain a copy of this letter for audit purposes."

This is an excellent affirmation of the district's compliance with submission requirements and the quality of documentation submitted for intensive services.

#### Gifted & Talented and Special Education Eligibility Updates

Since our last report, we are pleased to share that:

- Two additional students have newly qualified for Gifted & Talented services, a reflection of our district's ongoing efforts to identify and support students with high academic potential.
- Two more students have been newly identified as eligible for Special Education services, ensuring they receive tailored supports and services aligned to their needs.

#### **Child Find Activities**

The Special Education Department has updated its **Child Find Flyer**, which will be:

- Posted on the district website
- Shared on district social media platforms
- Displayed in every school site across the district

The district also submitted its **Request for Assurances** to DEED, which affirms the following:

- Documentation is maintained verifying contact with private schools, charter schools, and correspondence programs to identify children with disabilities who may need services. (34 CFR §300.131, Assurance 6)
- The district coordinates Child Find activities with Part C agencies to support transitions for preschool-aged children. (34 CFR §300.124)
- Annual Child Find public notice is made available in English and all relevant languages, and is posted in public areas using various forms of media (TV spots, newspaper announcements, etc.). (34 CFR §300.111)

# **State Assessments and Training**

All teachers responsible for test administration have successfully completed DEED's **Spring 2025 Assessment Training**. Below are the staggered testing start dates for each school site:

- Whale Pass April 1
- Hollis April 7
- **Port Alexander** April 7
- Naukati April 7
- Coffman Cove April 9
- 📍 **Kasaan** April 9
- Thorne Bay April 14

### **Professional Development: PBIS Conference**

Staff members Robbin, April, and Shaine will be representing the district at the upcoming PBIS (Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports) Conference. They will arrive a day early to participate in Alaska Day, a special opportunity for teams across the state to collaborate and share resources.

Attendees have been asked to bring the following materials for sharing and collaboration:

- School Behavior Expectations
- PBIS Matrices
- Handbooks
- Office Discipline Referrals (ODRs)
- Data Tracking Tools
- Behavior Flow Charts
- Copies of their SAS (Self-Assessment Survey) and TFI (Tiered Fidelity Inventory) results

With the students of Southeast Island School District in mind,

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