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Memorandum Item 8c

FOR: School Board Members

FROM: Chris Reitan

DATE: December 14, 2022

SUBJECT: Resolution No. 23-01 Supporting the Statutory Formula-Based Special Education Funding for

Correspondence Students

CCSD has been collaborating with Alaska school districts that also operate statewide homeschool/correspondence programs. Alaska homeschool/correspondence students currently are funded at 90% of the BSA which results in \$5337 funding for each full-time homeschool/correspondence student. Homeschool/correspondence students do not receive any of the multipliers built into the funding formula that brick-and-mortar students receive (school size factor, district cost factor, 1.2 special needs factor, and 1.015 CTE factor). However, homeschool/correspondence programs have the responsibility to enroll and educate students with special needs.

Included for the Board's review is Resolution No. 23-1 Supporting the Statutory Formula-Based Special Education Funding for Correspondence Students that CCSD has developed in collaboration with other districts in the state that operate statewide homeschool/correspondence programs. If ultimately adopted by the Board the resolution would provide a lobbying platform for the spring Alaska legislative session. The resolution is requesting that the state provide students attending a homeschool/correspondence school the 1.2 special needs factor within the funding formula.

Suggested motion: Moe to approve Resolution No. 23-1 Supporting the Statutory Formula-Based Special Education Funding for Correspondence Students as presented.