

Resolution X.XXX Tribal Compacted Schools

AASB supports the creation of tribal compacted schools as a public education option for the students of Alaska. As an ardent supporter of local control of public education, AASB recognizes and acknowledges that tribal compact schools are a form of local control. AASB, the representative statewide organization of school boards, wishes to serve as a voice for school boards and a resource for tribes and agencies as this process proceeds.

The Rationale: While local school boards and their districts will not be involved directly as an entity within the negotiated compact between the State of Alaska, the Federal Government, and a tribe, school boards must remain informed and aware of the process and results. AASB can serve as an entity that will keep member districts informed on compacting issues and provide comments when appropriate and requested. AASB has a long history and extensive experience with school system governance that could be useful. AASB also desires to become better educated about tribal governance systems and develop a clearer understanding of how it may serve tribal compacted schools in the future.

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