

SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Board Report

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Vision: Students are equipped to realize their dreams and aspirations.

Mission: Together we will foster student skills to achieve their goals and adapt to an ever-changing world.

Migrant Education Program

SISD is actively recruiting families that may be eligible for migrant education support. Shane Williams will be the migrant recruiter this year. Emails have been sent to past families, enrollment packets are being reviewed for new families, notifications are posted in communities, the SISD website will provide information, and the SISD Facebook page will include info. If you, or anyone you know, participates in subsistence or commercial fishing or works in seafood processing, please let us know. We will contact you for an interview and explain the program. The last page of this report includes a summary of how a person qualifies for migrant education services.

State and Federal Title Programs and Committees

Standing committees are being developed to address the requirements of Title programs. These committees will include parents, students, paraprofessionals, teachers, admin, and community members. If you, or someone you know, is interested in participating on a Title program committee, please contact me.

Agriculture Program

The Coffman Cove greenhouse is doing well with limited resources. Fresh food is being distributed to schools this week. The Thorne Bay greenhouse had a fish die off that was possibly related to old media in the aquaponics system. The fish are slowly recovering. The agriculture program continues to exist in “survival mode.” We hope to get the program back on track to provide student learning activities and parent engagement for our families.

**If you have any suggestions or ideas that need funding,
please feel free to email me at bkrosschell@sisd.org .**

Title I-C Migrant Education Eligibility Summary

The general requirements are:

(1) **A guardian and child must travel at least 20 miles** from their home to do qualifying work (measured by actual miles traveled, not by air miles). If less than 20 miles, it must be a different school district.

(2) **Qualifying work includes:**

- a. **commercial or subsistence fishing** (dip net, drift net, set net, pole, jig, pots, diving, digging, collecting, seining, trolling, etc.)
- b. **seafood processing** (subsistence cutting, drying, smoking, canning, freezing or processing at places such as Silver Bay Seafoods in Craig)
- c. **commercial logging** (harvesting, planting, thinning, processing, etc.)
- d. **berry picking or processing** (berries cannot be from family land)

(3) **All of the trips must add up to a minimum of 7 nights/8 days** away from home during the past 12 months (including winter trips).

(4) **The activity must be an economic necessity for the family.** It must provide needed food or income that is brought back to the home. It must be considered difficult to continue residence without the food or income from the activity.

** If the person fishing, picking, logging, or processing is 14-19 years old, he or she can participate in the activity without an additional guardian. A person 14-19 years old can also qualify as the working guardian for other children.*

*** A child that is attending school in a different school district or homeschooling, but lives within the boundaries of SISD, is eligible for migrant services in both school districts (such as Mt. Edgecumbe or Craig schools).*

**** Students that have dropped out of school and not graduated yet are eligible until they turn 20 years old (including students with a GED).*

The benefits to a student and family include, but are not limited to:

- (1) **Additional educational resources (such as books)**
- (2) **Opportunities for student support (from the additional funding provided to the school district for migrant students)**
- (3) **Automatically eligible for free lunch and migrant services if the child transfers to another school district (such as Craig or Ketchikan)**

Contact Brian Krosschell at bkrosschell@sisd.org or (907)828-8254 for more information.