

NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

## **MEMORANDUM**

TO:	Robyn Burke, President Members of the School Board	
THROUGH:	David Vadiveloo, Chief School Administrator	
THROUGH:	Caitlin Santos, Director of Curriculum & Instruction	
FROM:	Ranel Gandia, Student Records Manager <b>RG</b>	
DATE:	September 1, 2023	
SUBJECT:	Enrollment and Attendance Report	Memo No. SB24-023 (Information Item)

## **NSBSD Strategic Plan Goal:**

1.2 Engaged & Empowered by Learning - Attendance: Cultivate an environment where attendance is valued, encouraged, and supported and implement a culturally integrated calendar that is aligned across the district to increase attendance and expand options for students.

## **Issue Summary:**

Research consistently shows that student attendance matters. Students with higher attendance rates are more likely to meet state academic standards, and graduate on time at higher rates. Educational outcomes reflect attendance even in the earliest grades, and then those gaps continue to widen into secondary (grades 6-12). While some students are more adversely affected by absences than others, it is clear that the effects of absences accumulate over time; attendance matters and every day counts. This is not to say that perfect attendance should be the goal 'no matter what.' We understand that students may miss school for a variety of reasons, and do not want to encourage sick children to attend when it is not appropriate to do so. In light of these factors, and the overwhelming amount of research, the district has set the attendance goal for all students at 80%.

K-12 Enrollment by Site						
School	Current Student Count	Attendance Report	22-23 August Student Count			
Nunamiut School	97	72.28%	85			
Tikiġaq School	243	71.15%	237			
Nuiqsut Trapper School	151	74.74%	149			
Kali School	78	85.28%	77			
Alak School	148	72.55%	158			
Harold Kaveolook School	52	83.05%	58			
Meade River School	79	77.46%	74			
Barrow High School	280	73.46%	299			
Eben Hopson Middle School	229	81.27%	246			
Fred Ipalook Elementary School	429	79.89%	449			
KIITA Learning Community	46	73.45%	37			
Total	1832	76.56%	1869			

K3 & K4 Enrollment by Site						
School	Current Student Count	Attendance Report	22-23 August Student Count			
Nunamiut School	13	72.86%	14			
Tikiġaq School	16	62.38%	22			
Nuiqsut Trapper School	13	69.69%	11			
Kali School	9	83.76%	12			
Alak School	11	70.12%	9			
Harold Kaveolook School	3	87.88%	8			
Meade River School	4	90.91%	8			
Fred Ipalook Elementary School	95	75.45%	78			
Total	164	74.28%	162			

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