

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.

Alaska Dept. of Ed. & Early Development (DEED) Title Program Updates

Last week the state held their annual federal programs workshop on ESEA Title Programs. Normally this is held in Anchorage. This year the workshop was provided through distance delivery. The workshop covers updates to the program details and the software that manages the programs. As a result of Covid-19, most of the unspent Title program funds from this year will be eligible for carryover to FY21.

Preschool Program

SISD bags with pre-k supplies were sent out to the pre-k students that are part of the pre-k grant. The pre-k support staff continue to provide help to families as needed.

Migrant Program

I am reaching out to migrant families to determine their needs and placing orders to fill those needs. The contacting and ordering process is taking much longer than anticipated, but the supplies will be helpful to the families.

Prince of Wales Island Vocational and Technical Education Center

I attend my first meeting with the POW Voc Tech Ed Center. There is a lot of potential with this facility. I look forward to visiting the program as soon as I can.

Agriculture Program

Plans for the summer are underway for the agriculture program in the district. This includes the possibility of having one or more AmeriCorps volunteers and one or more WWOOFer volunteers (Working Weekends On Organic Farms). We should have more information about these possible opportunities in May.

The Hollis and Whale Pass greenhouses are doing well. We currently have Rose Ruel helping with the greenhouse in Coffman Cove. Thorne Bay's greenhouse is producing lettuce to be shared with families receiving meals.

Alaska Dept. of Ed. & Early Development (DEED) Program Monitoring

Southeast Island School District is being monitored this school year. This process includes submitting requested documents to DEED and an on-site visit. This process goes on for most of the school year and should be completed in June. The goal of this process is for DEED to provide technical support and to make sure the district is in compliance with all regulations related to Federal Title grants.

State and Federal Title Programs and Grant Reporting

This is the time of the year for many quarterly and final grant reports. I have been busy working these reports.

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