



Alaska Association of School Business Officials (ALASBO)

Legislative Fly-In

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Who are we?

- ALASBO promotes high standards in school business practices
- ALASBO provides training and networking to help our members perform the essential functions of their jobs
- ALASBO continues to provide training for new school business officials, to help maintain uniformity of data statewide, in spite of turnover
- We are an affiliate of the Alaska Council of School Administrators (ACSA)

Funding

- We are thankful to the Legislature for investments in education in recent years
 - Implementation of Task Force multi-year recommendations for Base Student Allocation, Cost Factors and Intensive Needs
 - Legislating employer contribution rates and funding of PERS and TRS
 - Continuance of bond debt reimbursement of 60-70% and GO bond approval in 2010
 - Assistance to local communities through revenue sharing and PCE
- We're here to advocate for increased K-12 funding
 - Successful programs currently in place will be cut if revenue does not keep up with inflation
 - Increases in health insurance, energy, wages, benefits and other costs continue to result in funding pressures on school districts
- We would like to encourage a new multi-year funding plan (SB73, SB84, HB143)
 - Focus on multi-year instructional planning, rather than budget uncertainty
 - Early retention of staff keeps the focus on instruction in the classroom
- Most districts subsidize school food service programs; we are in favor of state funding to ensure these programs continue for the benefit of students (SB3, HB132)
- The need for capital improvement funding across the state remains large and is growing annually; we would like to continue to see this addressed

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