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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

NEWS RELEASE

KPBSD RESPONDS TO AN UNPRECEDENTED BUDGET CHALLENGE. ATTEND A COMMUNITY FORUM TO GET FACTS.

Soldotna, February 14, 2019—Do you understand how the KPBSD school district budget will affect what KPBSD can offer in schools to educate our youth? With drastic state budget cuts to education proposed by the Governor, attend a budget forum in your community.

Learn: KPBSD faces an unprecedented deficit of over \$20 million dollars or more if the Governor's proposed FY20 state budget is passed.

Get Facts: The district is building its FY20 budget, and needs your help. Participate online, or in person, to ask questions about revenue, expenses, funding, and cuts that potentially impact the classroom, teachers and support staff, sports and programs, and class sizes. Become involved so as a community we can make informed decisions that will affect our schools. Parents, staff, students, business partners, community members, and elected officials—it's time to participate:

COMMUNITY BUDGET FORUMS

- **Tuesday, February 19, 6:00 PM: HOMER High School Library**
- **Wednesday, February 20, 6:00 PM: SOLDOTNA High School Library**
Videoconference from Soldotna High School forum to: Cooper Landing; Homer Flex; Hope School; Moose Pass; Nanwalek; Ninilchik; Port Graham; Sterling Elementary; Susan B. English; Tebughna; and Tustumena schools
- **Thursday, February 21, 6:00 PM: KENAI Central High School Library**
- **Tuesday, February 26, 6:00 PM: SEWARD High School Library**

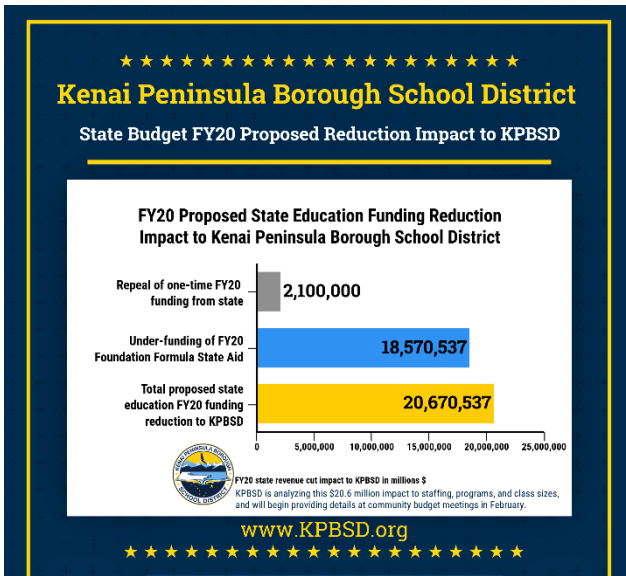
Be informed so you can advocate for the 2019-2020 school district budget which will define opportunities and offerings in August, 2019.

KPBSD: ONE DISTRICT, FORTY-THREE DIVERSE SCHOOLS

The mission of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District is to empower all learners to positively shape their futures.
ANCHOR POINT COOPER LANDING HOMER HOPE KACHEMAK SELO KENAI MOOSE PASS NANWALEK NIKISKI NIKOLAEVSK NINILCHIK PORT GRAHAM
RAZDOLNA SELDOVIA SEWARD SOLDOTNA STERLING TUSTUMENA TYONEK VOZNESENKA

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“Our annual budget is one of the most important things we do each year, and it’s more important than ever with the potential funding cuts we face,” said Dave Jones, assistant superintendent of instructional support. “We want to give our parents, staff, students, and community members a chance to learn about our budget, participate in the process, and ask questions.”

“Over the past several years the district has been able to gather valuable feedback and input through the budget development process,” said Sean Dusek, superintendent. “This year will be especially important as we work to become more efficient while maintaining our priority of small class sizes. We look forward to community participation in the process, especially as the State and Borough deal with

economic issues that directly impact school funding.”

Action ideas

1. **Attend** a community budget forum; KPBSD school site council meeting, [school board meeting](#); [Borough Assembly meeting](#); Alaska legislative opportunities with elected officials
2. **Communicate** with your school, friends, neighbors, [legislators](#), and elected officials
3. **View** short videos and documents located on the [KPBSD Finance Department](#) webpage

If the future success for our KPBSD K-12 students depends on a quality education so graduates will be prepared for college or a career, funding public education is crucial. KPBSD asks everyone to attend a public budget meeting, and become involved in the financial solutions for our school district and state.

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COMMUNITY BUDGET FORUMS

LEARN. GET FACTS. ADVOCATE FOR SCHOOLS.

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FEB 19

HOMER
HIGH SCHOOL
LIBRARY

FEB 20

SOLDOTNA
HIGH SCHOOL

FEB 21

KENAI
CENTRAL HIGH
SCHOOL LIBRARY

FEB 26

SEWARD
HIGH SCHOOL
LIBRARY

Videoconference from Soldotna to: COOPER LANDING; HOMER FLEX; HOPE SCHOOL; MOOSE PASS; NANWALEK; NINILCHIK; PORT GRAHAM; STERLING ELEMENTARY; SUSAN B. ENGLISH; TEBUGHNA; AND TUSTUMENA SCHOOLS

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