



AASB's 2024 Leadership Academy & Legislative Fly-In

February 9-13, 2024

Thursday, February 8, 2024:

Bonus Evening – Education Public Policy Forum on Education Funding

Hosted by ISER and UAS School of Education, all are invited to attend this Public Policy Forum on Education Funding. University of Alaska Southeast Campus, UAS Egan Lecture Hall Rm 112, 5-7 pm, with a reception to follow. **Livestreaming Option:** [Register in advance here.](#)



UAA Institute of Social and Economic Research
UNIVERSITY of ALASKA ANCHORAGE

Friday, February 9, 2024

Understanding Alaska Education Funding and Embracing the (Civil) Discourse

8:30 – 8:40 am	<p>Welcome and Introduction</p> <p>Lon Garrison, Executive Director, AASB and John Sedor, Attorney, Sedor, Wendlandt, Evans & Filippi LLC</p>
8:40 – 9:40 am	<p>The Constitution and Funding Public Education: Is it Time for More “Moore”? Version 2.0</p> <p>John Sedor, Attorney, Sedor, Wendlandt, Evans & Filippi LLC.</p>
9:40 – 10:45 am	<p>The Role of Research (and the Data) in Understanding Funding Models and Factors - The Institute of Social and Economic Research (ISER)</p> <p>Diane Hirshberg, Ph.D., Director, UAA Institute of Social and Economic Research</p> <p>Dayna DeFeo, Ph.D., Director of CAEPR, UAA Institute of Social and Economic Research</p>
10:45 – 11:00 am	<p>BREAK</p>
11:00 – 12:00 pm	<p>Examining the Evidence Between School Funding Systems and Educational Outcomes</p> <p>Larry O. Picus, Professor of Education, Finance and Policy, University of Southern California, Rossier School of Education</p>
Noon – 1:30 pm	<p>LUNCH</p>
1:30 – 2:30 pm	<p>Looking at the Challenges of Education Funding From the “Front Lines”: A Discussion of the Superintendents’ Perspective</p> <p>Discussion Led By: Frank Hauser, Superintendent, Juneau School District</p>



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2:30 – 2:45 pm	BREAK
2:45 – 4:30 pm	<p>Funding Does Not Exist in a Vacuum: The Role of the Political Process – Putting Education into the Context of Societal Choices and Politics</p> <p>Panelists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Senator Loki Tobin, District I, Democrat – Chair Senate Education Committee. ● Representative Mike Prax, District 33, Republican – Member House Education Committee. ● Representative Will Stapp, District 32, Republican – House Finance Committee. ● Deena Bishop, Commissioner, Alaska Department of Education and Early Development. ● Matthew Moser, Government Relations Director, NEA-Alaska. <p>MODERATOR: Tom Begich, Former Alaska State Senator</p>
4:30 – 5:00 pm	Wrap-Up

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AASB Legislative Advocacy Day: Saturday, February 10, 2024

Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall - Juneau, AK

7:30 am	Breakfast & Check-In Opens
8:30 am	Welcome and Introductions Margo Bellamy, AASB President
8:45 – 10:00 am	The Necessity of Your Advocacy Former Alaska State Senator Tom Begich
10:00 – 10:15 am	Break
10:15 – 11:45 am	Understanding Your Legislative Context Norm Wooten & Lon Garrison, AASB
11:45 am – 1:15 pm	Lunch (provided) Guest Speaker TBA
1:15 – 2:45 pm	Legislative Bill Review Norm Wooten & Lon Garrison, AASB
2:45 – 3:00 pm	Break
3:00 – 3:45 pm	Your Role in Grassroots Advocacy Emily Ferry, AASB
3:45 - 4:00 pm	Integrating Student Voice in Your Advocacy
4:45 pm	Wrap-Up of Day & Evaluations
5:00 pm	Meet & Greet Open House - Sponsored by APEI (with appetizers and light refreshments)





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AASB Advocacy Day: Sunday, February 11, 2024

Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall - Juneau, AK

7:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 – 8:35 am	Welcome Back & Gathering Margo Bellamy, AASB
8:35 – 9:15 am	NSBA Advocacy Institute Report Margo Bellamy & Dana Mock, AASB Board President & President-Elect
9:15 – 10:00 am	Alaska's Foundation Formula - Exploring and understanding the current foundation formula - <i>presenter TBD</i>
10:00 – 10:15 am	Break
10:15 am – 11:30 am	Partner Voices - Hearing from our Partners Dr. Lisa Parady, Alaska Superintendents Association & Nils Andreassen, Alaska Municipal League Caroline Storm, Coalition for Education Equity
11:30 am – 1:00 pm	Sunday Luncheon (Lunch Provided) <i>Guest Speaker</i>
1:00 – 2:45 pm	Honing Your Advocacy Skills Andrea Watts, Watts Advocacy
2:45 – 3:00 pm	Break
3:00 – 4:00 pm	Presenting Your Stories (to share with the Legislature)
4:00 – 4:30 pm	Getting Ready for Monday! District preparation & collaboration
4:30 pm	Wrap-Up of Day & Evaluations





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Monday, February 12, 2024

Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall - Juneau, AK

7:00 am	Breakfast
7:30 am	Good Morning! <i>Norm Wooten & Lon Garrison, AASB</i>
Rest of Day	Legislative Meetings (district set up meetings on their own) https://aasb.org/who-represents-your-school-district/
4:00 pm	Sharing & Wrap-Up of Day

Tuesday, February 13, 2024

Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall - Juneau, AK

7:00 am	Breakfast
7:30 am	Good Morning! <i>Norm Wooten & Lon Garrison, AASB</i>
Rest of Day	Legislative meetings (district set up meetings on their own) https://aasb.org/who-represents-your-school-district/
12 pm	Wrap-Up of Day

AASB will be setting up Virtual Legislative Meetings (via zoom) later this month. Details will be forthcoming.

