

KPBSD BOE Meeting School Consolidation/Closure for FY 25-26



February 4, 2025



Overview



Purpose



To determine which schools should be considered for School Closure/Consolidation



Identify costs savings and factual information



What is school closure/consolidation and what does it mean for the future?

Alaska Statute – School Closures/Consolidation

Alaska State Statute regarding School Closures/Consolidation

[AS 14.17.410 \(b\)\(I-M\)](#)

(I) if the basic need calculated under (H)(i) - (iii) of this paragraph for one of the first four fiscal years after consolidation is less than the basic need calculated under (A) — (C) of this paragraph for that fiscal year, the basic need may not be adjusted under (H) of this paragraph for that fiscal year;

(J) a district may not offset a decrease under (H) of this paragraph if

- (i) a new facility is constructed in the district for the consolidation; or
- (ii) the district offset a decrease under (E) of this paragraph in the same fiscal year;

(K) a district that offsets a decrease under (H) of this paragraph **may not reopen** a school that was closed for consolidation in the district until

- (i) seven or more years have passed since the school closure; and**
- (ii) the district provides evidence satisfactory to the department that the schools affected by the consolidation are over capacity;**

(L) a district may not reopen and reconsolidate a school that was consolidated in the district more than once every seven years for purposes of the calculations made under (H) of this paragraph;

(M) a district offsetting a decrease under (H) of this paragraph shall provide the department with the list of schools participating in the consolidation and the corresponding ADM;

Factors considered to determine Net Savings

- Certified Salaries
- Non-Certified Salaries
- Employee Benefits
- Staff Travel
- Utilities
- Purchased Services
- Supplies
- Other Expenses

School being considered (Presented Alphabetically)

Homer Middle School

McNeil Canyon Elementary School

Moose Pass School

Nikiski Middle/Senior High School

Nikolaevsk School

Paul Banks Elementary School

Seward Middle School

Sterling Elementary School

Tustumena Elementary School

Homer Middle and McNeil Canyon

School Scenarios

1. Homer Middle School – FY26 Projected Enrollment 181 Building Capacity 360

Consolidate with Homer High School – New FY26 Projected Enrollment 551 Building Capacity 600

		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Net Savings from Consolidation	581,521	581,521	581,521	581,521	581,521	581,521
Revenue lost to school size factor	(712,218)	-	-	(235,032)	(470,064)	(712,218)
Net Gain (loss) on consolidation	\$ (130,697)	\$ 581,521	\$ 581,521	\$ 346,489	\$ 111,457	\$ (130,697)

2. McNeil Canyon - FY26 Projected Enrollment 150 Building Capacity 260

Consolidate with Paul Banks and West Homer Elementary School

Paul Banks – New FY26 Projected Enrollment 237 Building Capacity 270

West Homer Elementary School – New FY26 Projected Enrollment 304 Building Capacity 450

		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Net Savings from Consolidation	878,099	878,099	878,099	878,099	878,099	878,099
Revenue lost to school size factor	(528,794)	-	-	(174,502)	(349,004)	(528,794)
Net Gain (loss) on consolidation	\$ 349,305	\$ 878,099	\$ 878,099	\$ 703,597	\$ 529,095	\$ 349,305

Moose Pass and Nikiski MSHS

3. Moose Pass School – FY26 Projected Enrollment 19 Building Capacity 50

Consolidate with Seward Elementary School and Seward Middle School

Seward Elementary School – New FY26 Projected Enrollment 199 Building Capacity 450

Seward Middle School – New FY26 Projected Enrollment 112 Building Capacity 227

		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Net Savings from Consolidation	351,004	351,004	351,004	351,004	351,004	351,004
Revenue lost to school size factor	(159,388)	-	-	(52,598)	(105,196)	(159,388)
Net Gain (loss) on consolidation	\$ 191,616	\$ 351,004	\$ 351,004	\$ 298,406	\$ 245,808	\$ 191,616

4. Nikiski Middle/Senior School – FY26 Projected Enrollment 270 Building Capacity 600

Consolidate with Nikiski North Star School, Kenai Middle School, and Kenai Central High School

Nikiski North Star School – New FY26 Projected Enrollment 248 Building Capacity 430

Kenai Middle School – New FY 26 Projected Enrollment 470 Building Capacity 500

Kenai Central High School – New Projected Enrollment 683 Building Capacity 800

		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Net Savings from Consolidation	1,256,553	1,256,553	1,256,553	1,077,240	1,256,553	1,256,553
Revenue lost to school size factor	(777,167)	-	-	(256,465)	(512,930)	(777,167)
Net Gain (loss) on consolidation	\$ 479,386	\$ 1,256,553	\$ 1,256,553	\$ 820,775	\$ 743,623	\$ 479,386

Seward Middle and Sterling

7. Seward Middle School – FY26 Projected Enrollment 110 Building Capacity 227

Consolidate with Seward Elementary and Seward High School

Seward Elementary – New FY26 Projected Enrollment 218 Building Capacity 450

Seward High School – New FY26 Projected Enrollment is 230 Building Capacity 400

		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Net Savings from Consolidation	569,633	569,633	569,633	569,633	569,633	569,633
Revenue lost to school size factor	(413,387)	-	-	(136,418)	(272,835)	(413,387)
Net Gain (loss) on consolidation	\$ 156,246	\$ 569,633	\$ 569,633	\$ 433,215	\$ 296,798	\$ 156,246

8. Sterling Elementary School – FY26 Projected Enrollment 111 Building Capacity 270

Consolidate with Redoubt Elementary School – New FY26 Projected Enrollment 359 Building Capacity 400

		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Net Savings from Consolidation	702,113	702,113	702,113	702,113	702,113	702,113
Revenue lost to school size factor	(517,202)	-	-	-	(341,353)	(517,202)
Net Gain (loss) on consolidation	\$ 184,911	\$ 702,113	\$ 702,113	\$ 702,113	\$ 360,760	\$ 184,911

Tustumena

9. Tustumena Elementary School – FY26 Projected Enrollment 136 Building Capacity 400

Consolidate with Ninilchik and Redoubt Elementary School

Ninilchik School – New FY26 Projected Enrollment 196 Building Capacity 300

Redoubt Elementary School – New FY 26 Projected Enrollment 328 Building Capacity 400

		Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5
Net Savings from Consolidation	573,535	573,535	573,535	476,247	573,535	573,535
Revenue lost to school size factor	(414,580)	-	-	(136,811)	(273,623)	(414,580)
Net Gain (loss) on consolidation	\$ 158,955	\$ 573,535	\$ 573,535	\$ 339,436	\$ 299,912	\$ 158,955

Possible Board Requests

Additional
Information

Other
Schools/Scenarios

Next Steps

Create a School
Consolidation/Closure
Committee



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