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State Board to Hold Special Work Session Relating to COVID-19

JUNEAU – The Alaska State Board of Education and Early Development will hold a special board work session on March 25, 2020, under emergency circumstances. The purpose of the meeting is to receive an update from Commissioner Dr. Michael Johnson on department activity relating to the COVID-19 virus. This board update is necessary in light of Governor Dunleavy’s public health disaster emergency declaration of March 11, 2020, and the following public health mandates relating to public education.

The work session will be held by audio conference originating from the Commissioner’s office conference room at 801 West 10th Street, Juneau, Alaska. The meeting will begin at 3:00 p.m.

The board will not take public comment. The public is invited to listen to the audio conference, which is expected to last one hour, by calling 1-800-315-6338 and using access code 16107. Public in-person attendance will not be provided in light of the public health disaster emergency and the related public health mandates.

The board may amend its published agenda. Agenda times are estimates only, and the board may consider agenda items out of order without amending its agenda. The board’s meeting agenda is available online at [http://education.alaska.gov/State Board/](http://education.alaska.gov/State_Board/) by clicking on the meeting date.

Persons with disabilities who need accommodations to participate should contact Linda Mattson at 907-465-2802 or e-mail linda.mattson@alaska.gov as soon as possible. For more information, call 907-465-2800.

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