

**State Board of Education & Early Development
Agenda
January 22, 2026
Virtual**

Mission Statement: *An excellent education for every student every day.*

Thursday, January 22, 2026

8:00 AM

Call to Order and Roll Call Sally Stockhausen, Chair
Pledge of Allegiance Sally Stockhausen, Chair
Adoption of Agenda for January 22, 2026 Sally Stockhausen, Chair
Disclosures of potential conflicts of interest Sally Stockhausen, Chair

8:05 AM

Public Comment

Public comment is open on agenda and non-agenda items. Comment at this oral hearing is limited to three minutes per person and five minutes per group. The public comment period is an opportunity for the board to hear the public's concerns. The board will not engage in discussions with members of the public during the comment period.

The board will take public comment. The public is invited to attend this meeting by joining online through the digital platform Zoom, or by joining via phone.

Connection information is available below:

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Meeting ID: Meeting ID: 879 0783 2961

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Please note that public testimony may extend for up to two hours. The Board may adjust the agenda as needed. This includes extending the oral hearing to accommodate individuals present at the start of the public testimony who have not yet had an opportunity to speak or closing the public comment period early and proceeding to the next agenda item if testimony concludes before the time period.

Work Session

9:05 AM

1. Governor's FY2027 Operating Budget Review Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner
..... Karen Morrison, Deputy Commissioner
..... Dawn Hannasch, Administrative Services Director

9:35 AM

2. Resolution for Consideration Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner
2A. AK Educational Challenge Strategic Plan Resolution Kathryn McCollum, Board Member

9:55AM

3. Regulation for Consideration Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner
3A. 4 AAC 34.055: Update Alternate ACCESS proficiency levels
..... Deborah Riddle, Division Operations Manager Innovation and Education Excellence
..... Susan Sonneborn, Assistant Attorney General

10:15 AM

4. Kenai Peninsula Borough School District Nikolaevsk Charter School Consideration for Approval
..... Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner
..... Don Enoch, Education Administrator

11:05 AM

5. Committee Meetings Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner
..... Karen Morrison, Deputy Commissioner
5A. Closing the Achievement Gap Monica Goyette, Director
..... Innovation and Education Excellence
Educator Workforce Kelly Manning, Deputy Director
..... Innovation and Education Excellence
Safety and Wellbeing Deborah Riddle, Division Operations Manager
..... Innovation in Education Excellence
5B. Reading by Third Grade Kathy Moffitt, Education Administrator
Career Technical Education and Culturally Relevant Education Brad Billings,
..... Education Administrator Innovation and Education Excellence

1:05 PM

6. UAA Master of Science in School Psychology Program Consideration for Approval
..... Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner
..... Kelly Manning, Deputy Director Innovation and Education Excellence
..... Hattie Harvey, PH.D. Program Director

1:25 PM

7. Annual Report to the Legislature.....Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner
.....Karen Morrison, Deputy Commissioner

BREAK**Business Meeting****2:05 PM**

8. Approve Special Assistant to the Commissioner/Legislative Liaison..... Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner

2:15 PM

9. Approve Innovation in Education Excellence Director Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner

2:30PM

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2:40 PM

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2:45 PM

13. Approve UAA Master of Science in School Psychology Program Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner
.....Kelly Manning, Deputy Director Innovation and Education Excellence
.....Hattie Harvey, PH.D. Program Director

2:50 PM

14. Approve Annual Report to the Legislature.....Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner
.....Karen Morrison, Deputy Commissioner

3:00 PM

15. Consent AgendaSally Stockhausen, Chair
15A. Approve minutes of the December 05, 2025 State Board of Education Meeting

3:05 PM

16. Commissioner's ReportDr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner
.....Karen Morrison, Deputy Commissioner

3:15 PM

17. Executive SessionSally Stockhausen, Chair

4:00 PM Board Comments

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