

**To: Members of the State Board of  
Education and Early Development**

**January 22, 2026**

**From: Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner**

**Agenda Item: 4**

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**◆ ISSUE**

The board is being asked to approve the Initial Application for Nikolaevsk Charter School for a period of 5 years, terminating on June 30, 2031.

**◆ BACKGROUND**

- On November 17, 2025 the Kenai Peninsula Borough School Board approved the Nikolaevsk Charter School Initial application.
- Charter schools also require approval from the State Board of Education and Early Development.

**◆ ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION**

- Approve the initial application of the Nicolaevsk Charter School for a period of five years.

**◆ OPTIONS**

This is an information item. Action will take place under Agenda Item 12.