



Cover Memo

To: Members of the State Board of Education & Early Development
From: Dr. Deena Bishop, Commissioner
Date: October 14, 2026
Item: 17.0

Issue

The Board is being asked to approve additional grades served by the Aurora Borealis Charter School in the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District to include 9th and 10th grade.

Background

- This request is to address the grade change for the charter school to provide 9th and 10th grades education services.
- Behind this cover memo is the written request for the change, the revised charter application, and the amendment intent form.
- Cody McCanna, Principal, will be present to brief the board.
 - Email: cmccanna@kpbsd.k12.ak.us, 907-283-0292

Options

Approve the amended application.
Reject the amended application.
Seek more information.

Administration's Recommendation

Approval is recommended.

Suggested Motion

After considering all public comment, I move the State Board of Education & Early Development adopt the proposed amendment to the charter for the Aurora Borealis Charter School with the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District.