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## Press Release

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### **State Board to Meet in Kodiak on September 12-14**

The State Board of Education & Early Development will hold a retreat and regularly scheduled meeting September 12-14 in Kodiak. The retreat will be held at the Koniag Building, 194 Alimaq Drive, beginning at 1 p.m. on September 12.

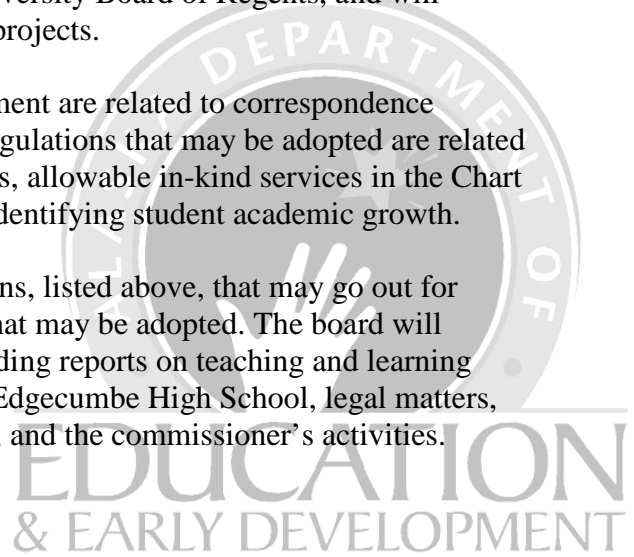
The board packet is at [http://education.alaska.gov/State\\_Board/pdf/12sept\\_packet.pdf](http://education.alaska.gov/State_Board/pdf/12sept_packet.pdf)

The work session and business meeting will be held at the Borough Assembly Chambers, 710 Mill Bay Road, beginning at 8 a.m. on September 13 and 14. The board will take public comment on agenda and non-agenda items on September 13. The public may offer comments and testimony beginning at 8:15 a.m. at the meeting site or through the Legislative Information Offices in Anchorage, Barrow, Bethel, Fairbanks, Juneau, Kenai, Ketchikan, Kodiak, Kotzebue, Mat-Su, Nome, and Sitka. For more information about LIOs, call 465-4648.

Topics at the work session include a review of the Mt. Edgecumbe High School (MEHS) math curriculum and the school's Policy Manual. The board will hear about a timeline to implement the new standards, an update of the state's application for a federal waiver, and a request to renew the Fronteras Spanish Immersion Charter School in Mat-Su. The board will consider its position on the minimum expenditure for operating expenses, will hear a follow up to its joint meeting with the university Board of Regents, and will consider promulgating and adopting regulation projects.

The regulations that may go out for public comment are related to correspondence programs' requirements for core courses. The regulations that may be adopted are related to state approval of teacher preparation programs, allowable in-kind services in the Chart of Accounts used by districts, and a method of identifying student academic growth.

Topics at the business meeting include regulations, listed above, that may go out for public comment and regulations, listed above, that may be adopted. The board will consider its subcommittee assignments and standing reports on teaching and learning support, assessment, district improvement, Mt. Edgecumbe High School, legal matters, the Division of Libraries, Archives & Museums, and the commissioner's activities.



The board will consider approving the minutes of recent meetings, the application for renewal of the charter school mentioned above, the MEHS policy manual, appointments to the MEHS Advisory Board, and the appointment of a Rural Education Coordinator for the department.

On Friday, the board will visit the following public schools: Kodiak High School and East, North Star, Main and Peterson elementary schools.

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