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## Press Release

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### **State Board Seeks Comment on Proposed Regulations**

JUNEAU – The State Board of Education & Early Development, meeting in Nome on Sept. 24 & 25, sent out for public comment two proposed regulations. The State Board also swore in its new military advisory member, Lt. Col. Douglas Hays.

One proposed regulation would align regulations regarding residential schools with new state legislation. The proposed regulation removes the limit on the number of such schools, allows for districtwide residential schools, and allows for schools that accept students for variable terms during the school year.

The other proposed regulation would clarify recently adopted regulations regarding early-literacy screening by school districts. The proposed regulation clarifies the frequency of such screenings, provides two tracks by which a screening tool may be approved by the department, and clarifies the manner in which data must be provided to the department.

The State Board also approved an advanced endorsement program in elementary education at the University of Alaska Southeast. The State Board approved four appointees to Mt. Edgecumbe High School's advisory board. They are Doreen Deaton, Loraine DeAsis, Regina Johnson, and Ty Mase.

The State Board's meeting packet is at [http://education.alaska.gov/State Board/pdf/13\\_sept\\_packet.pdf](http://education.alaska.gov/State_Board/pdf/13_sept_packet.pdf)

Public comments may be submitted at <https://education.alaska.gov/regs/comment.cfm>

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