



**NORTH SLOPE BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT
MEMORANDUM**

TO: John Hopson Jr., President
Members of the Board

THROUGH: David Vadiveloo, Superintendent *DSVadiveloo*

FROM: Jim Dube, Coordinator of Qatqiññaġvik *J.D.*

DATE: September 8, 2025

SUBJECT: **Contracts over \$50,000 -
ANSEP Middle School Academy**

**Memo No. SB26-033
(Action Item)**

NSBSD Policy Manual:

BP 3311, Bids: The district shall purchase equipment, supplies and services on a competitive bidding basis when required by law and whenever it appears to be in the best interest of the district to do so. All bids under federal awards must be made in accordance with the standards set forth in 2 CFR 200.320.

BP 3312, Contracts: The Superintendent of designee may enter into contracts and memoranda of agreement (MOA's) on behalf of the District. All contracts and MOA's with a dollar value of \$50,000 or greater must be approved by the School Board.

NSBSD Strategic Plan Summary:

Goal 3: All students are prepared for their pathway of choice post-high school

Issue Summary:

The Alaska Native Science & Engineering Program (ANSEP) at the University of Alaska Anchorage (UAA) provides a middle school academy for students who are interested in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) pathways. This program will be held the week of November 10-14, 2025, where a maximum of fifty-four (54) NSBSD students may participate once accepted.

The cost for the program is \$162,000 where ANSEP provides STEM education, academic and social activities, housing, meals and snacks, Academy-related transportation, evening supervision, and security. Additional costs (not included in the \$162,000) include the District providing a minimum of one (1) chaperone for every nine (9) students; airfare from villages to Utqiagvik and return, lodging in Utqiagvik at QLC in between flights, etc..

Length of Contract:

September 30, 2025 – June 30, 2026

Funding Source and Contract Amount:

100.200.700.733.410 for ANSEP in the amount of \$162,000 and 100.200.700.733.425 for student travel in the amount of approximately \$38,000 for a total amount of \$200,000.

Grant Funding:

There is no grant funding specifically provided for ANSEP.





Compliance with BP 3311:

The Alaska Native Science and Engineering Program (ANSEP), has provided high quality enrichment activities for students across Alaska beginning in 1995. Last year, the District engaged their services to provide a Science, Technology, Engineering & Mathematics (STEM) program for 5th grade students. With positive feedback of this program, the District is recommending expanding participation in ANSEP’s middle school academy.

For compliance with BP3311, ANSEP is exempt under item D. an educational service where the District has engaged with ANSEP in previous years.

Proposed Motion:

“I move that the NSBSD Board of Education approve the above \$50,000 and greater proposal and related contract for ANSEP, in the amount of \$200,000 as described in this memo and related attachments.”

Moved by: _____ Seconded by: _____

Vote: _____

