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Press Release

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State Board to Meet in Anchorage on September 12-14

JUNEAU -- The State Board of Education & Early Development will hold a retreat from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. September 12 at the Embassy Suites Hotel, 600 E. Benson Ave. in Anchorage.

The State Board will hold a regularly scheduled meeting September 13 & 14 starting at 8:30 a.m. September 13 and 8 a.m. September 14. The meeting will be held at the King Career Center, at 2650 E. Northern Lights Blvd., Anchorage. For a packet, see http://www.eed.state.ak.us/State_Board/pdf/11sept_packet.pdf

The board will take public comment on agenda and non-agenda items on September 13 beginning at approximately 8:45 a.m. The public may offer comments and testimony 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.

The meeting will include a work session and a business meeting. Topics at the work session include high-stakes assessments; advanced diplomas; the University of Alaska Anchorage Career & Technical Education Program; the University of Alaska Southeast Mathematics Endorsement Program; the American Charter Academy; special education; the State Board's requirement to report to the Legislature; review of regulations that may go out for public comment, including a career and technical education certificate, and a supplement to participation guidelines for assessment; Galena residential student counts; and the Commissioner's report.

Topics at the business meeting include regulations that may go out for public comment and reports on teaching and learning support; assessment, accountability and information management; legislative and budget issues; rural education; Mt. Edgecumbe High School; legal issues; libraries, museums and archives; renewal of the American Charter Academy; approval of University of Alaska teacher preparation programs listed above; appoint a parent to the Mt. Edgecumbe High School Advisory Board; approve minutes of previous meetings; and approve the format for reporting to the Legislature.

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