

FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION

RESOLUTION 2014-15:

**IN SUPPORT OF STUDENT SUCCESS AND LEARNING
AND BASE STUDENT ALLOCATION (BSA) FUNDING**

WHEREAS, student learning is a priority for school districts and successful students benefit our state; and

WHEREAS, school districts have narrowed their focus and directed resources to high-value investments that directly impact classroom and student achievement; and

WHEREAS, school districts have significant budget shortfalls that will impact student learning; and

WHEREAS, school districts throughout the state have increased graduation rates and decreased drop-out rates despite yearly budget shortfalls; and

WHEREAS, continued budget shortfalls will significantly affect high value programs and courses currently offered to our students; and

WHEREAS, the Governor is supporting an increase to the BSA over three years of \$85 the first year, \$58 the second year, and \$58 the third year; and

WHEREAS, this represents an increase of 1.5% the first year and 1% over the next two years; and

WHEREAS, school districts need a defined BSA amount in future years for planning purposes; and

WHEREAS, school districts need predictable and sustainable funding for planning purposes;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Fairbanks North Star Borough Board of Education requests the Alaska State Legislature assist in increasing the BSA between \$250 to \$400 to cover the deficits from the last three years and ensure our students have the best resources available for their future success.

PASSED AND APPROVED: April 1, 2014



Heidi Haas, President
Board of Education

ATTEST:



Sharon Tuttle
Executive Assistant to the Board

