

FY09 Budget Survey

1. To bring about the greatest improvement in schools, how would you spend funds? Please rank the following 1 through 6, with your top preference being 1. (Note: you need to select a number for each field.)								
	1	2	3	4	5	6	Rating Average	Response Count
Improve the curriculum/new textbooks	9.2% (11)	12.6% (15)	16.8% (20)	28.6% (34)	18.5% (22)	14.3% (17)	3.77	119
Buy technology/upgrade equipment	11.8% (14)	15.1% (18)	26.9% (32)	18.5% (22)	15.1% (18)	12.6% (15)	3.48	119
Expand distance delivery options	1.7% (2)	6.0% (7)	18.1% (21)	8.6% (10)	19.0% (22)	46.6% (54)	4.77	116
Hire more support staff	10.1% (12)	32.8% (39)	13.4% (16)	16.0% (19)	15.1% (18)	12.6% (15)	3.31	119
Buy more teaching supplies	5.1% (6)	9.3% (11)	26.3% (31)	18.6% (22)	22.9% (27)	17.8% (21)	3.98	118
Reduce class size by hiring more teachers	67.5% (81)	10.0% (12)	3.3% (4)	5.0% (6)	2.5% (3)	11.7% (14)	2.00	120
	answered question							121
	skipped question							2

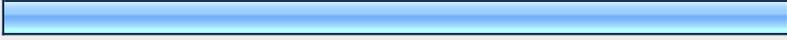
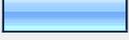
2. There are limited opportunities for certain programs. Please rank the following 1 through 5, with your top preference being 1. (Note: you need to select a number for each field.)

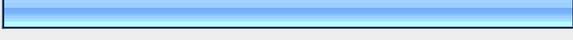
	1	2	3	4	5	Rating Average	Response Count
Art	15.7% (19)	17.4% (21)	28.9% (35)	22.3% (27)	15.7% (19)	3.05	121
Music	17.6% (21)	27.7% (33)	26.9% (32)	16.8% (20)	10.9% (13)	2.76	119
Foreign Language	16.7% (20)	20.0% (24)	20.0% (24)	21.7% (26)	21.7% (26)	3.12	120
Voc-Ed	31.7% (38)	18.3% (22)	14.2% (17)	13.3% (16)	22.5% (27)	2.77	120
PE	31.4% (38)	17.4% (21)	9.1% (11)	14.9% (18)	27.3% (33)	2.89	121
	<i>answered question</i>						121
	<i>skipped question</i>						2

3. Currently the general fund budget supports the co-curricular program by paying for most coaching stipends and related benefits. Please rank the following 1 through 4, with your top preference being 1. (Note: you need to select a number for each field.)

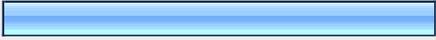
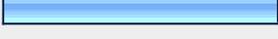
	1	2	3	4	Rating Average	Response Count
Increase co-curricular activities	54.7% (64)	12.8% (15)	8.5% (10)	23.9% (28)	2.02	117
Decrease co-curricular activities	15.9% (18)	33.6% (38)	38.9% (44)	11.5% (13)	2.46	113
Eliminate co-curricular activities	3.5% (4)	9.6% (11)	21.9% (25)	64.9% (74)	3.48	114
Outsource co-curricular activities	24.8% (28)	33.6% (38)	22.1% (25)	19.5% (22)	2.36	113
	<i>answered question</i>					118
	<i>skipped question</i>					5

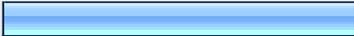
4. School enrollments have declined to the point where one school could be closed in the Homer and Soldotna areas. Would you support such a school closure to provide more opportunities for students?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		70.6%	84
No		29.4%	35
<i>answered question</i>			119
<i>skipped question</i>			4

5. Would you support school boundary changes to provide more instructional opportunities for students?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Yes		86.7%	104
No		13.3%	16
<i>answered question</i>			120
<i>skipped question</i>			3

6. In which general area do you reside?			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Homer Region		31.4%	38
Central Peninsula Region		62.8%	76
Seward Region		5.8%	7
<i>answered question</i>			121
<i>skipped question</i>			2

7. What is your age group?			Response Percent	Response Count
13-19			8.3%	10
20-29			14.0%	17
30-39			24.8%	30
40-49			26.4%	32
50-59			24.8%	30
60-69			1.7%	2
70 and over			0.0%	0
			<i>answered question</i>	121
			<i>skipped question</i>	2

8. If you have children in school, through which system do your children attend school?			Response Percent	Response Count
Public School			47.5%	57
Public Charter School			20.0%	24
Private School			0.8%	1
Home School			1.7%	2
No school age children at this time			30.0%	36
			<i>answered question</i>	120
			<i>skipped question</i>	3

9. Are you an employee of the District?			Response Percent	Response Count
Yes			38.7%	46
No			61.3%	73
	<i>answered question</i>			119
	<i>skipped question</i>			4

10. Please comment on alternative options you might have that aren't listed on this survey. Thank you.			Response Count
			49
	<i>answered question</i>		49
	<i>skipped question</i>		74