

\$ 22.4 million



A sobering look at what the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District would have to cut to begin to meet the Governor's proposed reduction to state funding

- The Governor Michael J. Dunleavy 2019-2020 State Budget proposed drastic cuts to education funding
- Alaska State Legislators could honor the FY20 education funding put into law in 2018 by the 30th Legislature
- KPBSD schools are funded by the State of Alaska and the Kenai Peninsula Borough



CLASS SIZES AND STAFF REDUCTIONS

Increase Pupil-To-Teacher (PTR) ratios:

- Plus 7 students to high school classes
- Plus 6 students to middle school classes
- Plus 2 students to elementary school classes
- Plus 2 students to K-12 school classes
- Plus 3 students to Connections Homeschool
- Reduce administrators
- Eliminate professional development support for new teachers



Support staff reductions:

- Eliminate some job classifications
- Reduce hours for some positions
- Reduce contract days in annual work calendar



SPORTS AND ACTIVITIES DISTRICT PROGRAMS

- Discontinue and eliminate all sports in high school and middle school, athletic directors, coach stipends, extra-curricular activities including music, yearbook, DDF, etc., ASAA, and KPSAA activities
- Eliminate the District Mobile App
- Eliminate FY20 School Technology Plan purchases
- Discontinue inservice meals and snacks
- Reduce funding to Student Nutrition Service (SNS)
- Reduce school funding to charter schools: Aurora Borealis, Fireweed Academy, Kaleidoscope School of Arts and Science, Soldotna Montessori
- Cut school supplies by 10%



SCHOOL CONSOLIDATIONS AND CLOSURES

- Close Chapman School
- Close McNeil Canyon School
- Close Moose Pass School
- Close Nikiski Middle-High School
- Close Seward Middle School
- Close Soldotna Prep School
- Additional consolidations and closures are under review



Close Pools in:

Kenai, Homer, Ninilichik, Seldovia, Seward, and Soldotna

Close Theaters in:

Kenai, Homer, Nikiski, Seward, and Soldotna



In addition to this list, \$5 million further in cuts would be needed to meet the deficit the Governor's proposed budget would create. State funding reductions link to how much the Borough can fund, creating an even further reduction to education funding. Current bills before the legislature may also affect Borough revenue. This creates an even larger deficit.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- Contact your state legislator via phone, email, or attend a town hall meeting
- Testify at a legislative hearing in a LIO office, make a phone call, or write a letter
- Attend Borough Assembly meetings, talk to Assembly members about "local" Borough funding
- Talk to your principal or school site council about the impact of education funding reductions to your school
- Advocate for a realistic state fiscal plan, speak up and share your positive stories about education