

# North Slope Borough School District

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Mayor Assisaun Toovak  
City of Utqiagvik  
P.O. Box 629  
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Re: AASG 2024 Spring Conference, April 18-21, 2024

Dear Mayor Toovak,

The Barrow High School Student Government is extremely excited to share the news that Barrow High School will be hosting the Alaska Association of Student Government (AASG) Spring Conference April 18-21, 2024.

Our conference theme is “Tapurriniq Allaŋuutauruq” translated as “Inclusion Ignites Change.” We are honored to host this conference as it has been over 20 years since AASG has come to Utqiagvik.



We will be proudly represented by 20 students from across the North Slope villages and hosting over 180 students from around the state in Utqiagvik for this event highlighting the strength of student voices across our region. We are excited to focus on the issues that are most important to parts of Alaska that are often not given that representation.

Because the application to host this conference was made after the school district budget was finalized, the event requires support. As such, any support your organization can offer will be gratefully received. If you are able to cover any one cost such as security, meals, or conference materials, it would be appreciated. Any donations over \$10,000, we will happily place your logo on the event t-shirt and program. The projected cost to run the conference is between \$60,000 - \$70,000 and your donation would help us cover the costs of hosting, meals, conference materials for participants, transportation in town, cultural activities, security, cleaning, travel expenses for our speakers, and additional staffing across the weekend, security and cleaning costs.

Typically, the biannual AASG conferences are hosted in the urban centers of the state. This year’s conference provides a powerful platform to shift the conversation to rural interests.

The purpose of AASG is to provide leadership training, communication, and a student voice on issues at the local, state, and national levels. AASG creates young leaders in communities and schools by teaching them leadership skills and increasing their awareness of political issues and

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the political process. Students use these skills to increase pride in their schools and to promote and carry out positive activities in their school and communities.

We want this conference to showcase the strength and richness of our region. Your support will help us make this conference a success and provide an opportunity for students from across Alaska to come together and work towards a better future. We appreciate your consideration and look forward to hearing from you soon.

If you are able to provide support, please contact Susan Hope at the NSBSD central office. You can contact her at [susan.hope@nsbsd.org](mailto:susan.hope@nsbsd.org) or 907-852-9531.

Quyanaqpak for your donation,  
Barrow High School's Student Council

Via mail and e-mail: [asisaun.toovak@uqiagvik.us](mailto:asisaun.toovak@uqiagvik.us)





BARROW HIGH SCHOOL  
is proud to host the

# ALASKA ASSOCIATION of STUDENT GOVERNMENT *Spring Conference*

**Tapurriniq Allannuutauruq**



Inclusion Ignites Change

APRIL 18-21, 2024

@ Barrow High School, Utqiagvik, Alaska



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AASG

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## ABOUT AASG

The purpose of the Alaska Association of Student Government (AASG) is to provide leadership training, communication, and a student voice of issues at the local, state and national levels. AASG holds two statewide conferences each year, one in the spring and one in the fall. Each are hosted by various member schools. During these three-day conferences, delegates from member schools attend general business meetings where issue related resolutions are introduced, debated and voted on by the delegation. AASG also sends a student delegation to National Association of Student Councils (NASC) conferences each year.

## ABOUT THE CONFERENCE

Several hundred high school students from across the state will travel to Utqiagvik to attend the conference. Typically, the biannual conferences are hosted in the state's urban centers. This year's conference provides a powerful platform to open the conversation to include issues that are more pressing for our rural students.