

Alaska Association of Student Governments Resolution #1 North Pole High School's Heating System Submitted by: Liam Wade 4/20/23

Be it Resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments, that Fairbanks North Star Borough School District installs a new heating system to replace the current out-of-date one within North Pole High School

- 1. Whereas, North Pole High Schools heat system has not been replaced or renovated since the school was constructed in 1986;
- 2. Whereas, 65% of attending students agree that temperatures are not comfortable year-round;¹
- 3. Whereas, heat is disproportionately distributed, leaving some classrooms above a comfortable temperature and others far below;
- 4. Whereas, temperatures have been recorded as low as 52°F and as high as 87°F;
- 5. Whereas, daily cafeteria temperatures drop below 60°F daily;
- 6. Whereas, majority of teachers have at least one space heater in their classrooms;
- 7. Whereas, students have begun to wear winter gear and blankets to class;
- 8. Whereas, teachers and faculty have disregarded rules that prohibit students from carrying around coats and blankets as a result of the uncomfortable temperatures;
- 9. Whereas, complaints have been frequent with no response action taken;
- 10. Whereas, the heating system of the school has been unreliable for many years;
- 11. Whereas, according to the Journal of Environmental Psychology Students performed better at academic tasks at a temperature of 22°C (71.6°F) degrees;²

Therefore, be it resolved that the Alaska Association of Student Governments supports updating North Pole High Schools' heating system to adequately fit the needs and comfort of students and staff alike.

Action Statement: if passed by the general assembly of AASG, the passed resolution will be presented to the Fairbanks North Star Borough School Board.

Works Cited

1. FNSBSD 2021-2022 School Climate survey-

https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/k12northstar/viz/SchoolClimateStudents_0/Overall

2. Effect of Temperature on task performancehttps://www.osti.gov/biblio/903490 Passed by the Spring 2023 General Assembly of AASG hosted by Skagway High School

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