



**Alaska Association of Student Government**

**Resolution #1**

**Reinstating a Full Time Librarian at Kodiak High School**

**Submitted by: Kodiak High School Student Council**

**Submitted: March 25, 2025**

**Be it Resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments that:**

1. **Whereas**, currently, in Kodiak High School (KHS) a librarian is shared with Kodiak Middle School (KMS) and is absent from the high school for 3 out of 7 periods every day;
2. **Whereas**, the library at KHS is closed for the periods that the librarian is not present, rendering the library inaccessible to high school students;
3. **Whereas**, KHS has a librarian for periods 1, 2, 6, and 7, and KMS has a librarian for periods 3, 4, lunch, and 5;
4. **Whereas**, even though KHS and KMS have a tradition to share staff, transitioning twice in one day is inefficient and ineffective for the staff member;

5. **Whereas**, the middle school librarian was transferred to another position due to the need to reduce staff;
6. **Whereas**, one of the primary reasons for transferring the high school librarian to the middle school is to supervise lunch activities;
7. **Whereas**, the KHS librarian is a well-trained and highly qualified certificated teacher, her skills and expertise are not being effectively utilized serving as a lunch supervisor in the middle school;
8. **Whereas**, KMS is not taking advantage of the expertise of the Librarian. They have set up a self-check-out system. Many teachers access the library when she is not there. On average, one teacher per week comes to the KMS library while the librarian is there;
9. **Whereas**, high school students who have open hours periods 3, 4, and 5, are required to leave the building due to lack of supervision. This affects over 40 students with multiple open hours, causing disruptions in academic/ study opportunities;
10. **Whereas**, the KHS librarian is an essential staff member in the high school who assists students with a myriad of tasks such as: research, technology help, supervising student collaboration, promoting literacy, providing intervention support for students needing additional help, and supporting administrative tasks;
11. **Whereas**, the librarian at KHS is a student council advisor and can no longer attend meetings in person due to being relocated to the middle school during meeting hours;

12. **Whereas**, meeting virtually is not ideal due to distractions from the required multitasking of monitoring students and contributing to an online meeting, technological difficulties, and attention;
13. **Whereas**, like many schools statewide, due to inadequate funding, KIBSD will be closing an elementary school at the end of the 24/25 school year;
14. **Whereas**, a solution would be to place one of the elementary librarians in the middle school, alleviating the need to share the high school librarian between two buildings;
15. **Whereas**, both the elementary and the middle school librarians are classified positions, therefore a logical solution would be for the elementary librarian to staff the middle school library position, relieving the certificated high school librarian from duties in the middle school;

**Therefore, be it resolved that the Alaska Association of Student Governments** supports the reinstatement of a full-time certificated librarian at Kodiak High School.

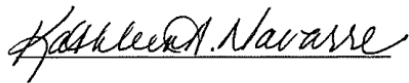
**Action Statement:** if passed by the general assembly of AASG, this resolution will be sent to KHS Administrators and KIBSD Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent. We respectfully request a meeting/ Teams call at the earliest convenience to discuss this matter and work together to understand how we can continue to support students at Kodiak High School.

*Resolution passes with unanimous consent*

Passed by the Spring 2025 General Assembly of AASG hosted by Sitka High School and Mt  
Edgecumbe High School

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AASG Vice President, Francis Myers

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AASG Executive Director, Kathleen Navarre