



**Alaska Association of Student Governments
Resolution #4
Student AirDrop/ Student to Student Email
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Be it Resolved by the Alaska Association of Student Governments that:

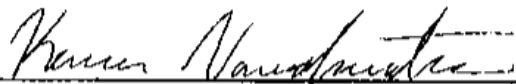
- 1. Whereas:** AirDrop is a product of Apple Inc. iOS and macOS operating system that transfers files among supported devices through close-range wireless communication;
- 2. Whereas:** currently Kodiak High School students use Apple devices, the district has issued iPads for every student;
- 3. Whereas:** currently Kodiak High School students cannot share files via AirDrop on school issued iPads, send emails to other students through Microsoft Outlook, or share files using Microsoft OneDrive;
- 4. Whereas:** the restrictions against AirDrop and emails inhibit sharing and collaboration between students;
- 5. Whereas:** teachers also experience frustration and limitations with restricted access of school devices;
- 6. Whereas:** students are expected to submit assignments on time, and emailing large files to teachers become problematic;
- 7. Whereas:** student issued iPads are district resources and are the expected device to be used in classrooms;
- 8. Whereas:** due to the limitations on student iPads, district-supported Microsoft apps designed to facilitate collaboration such as OneDrive, Stream, etc., are rendered ineffective;
- 9. Whereas:** solutions offered by the KIBSD technology department to work around the lack of AirDrop and student to student email, take extended amounts of time, are not always effective, waste learning time, and frustrate the end users;
- 10. Whereas:** having the ability to AirDrop would take substantially less time to complete simple tasks, such as students in Audio Visual or Photography classes needing to transfer photos, file sharing, and collaboration documents;
- 11. Whereas:** teachers can use AirDrop to quickly collect and return assignments to specific students, and send documents, assignments, and presentations to students;
- 12. Whereas:** students can use AirDrop to share progress, and facilitate group work;

- 13. Whereas:** when receiving a district issued device, students and parents sign a Acceptable Use Policy which clearly states expectations for technology use;
- 14. Whereas:** if inappropriate files or images are shared administration can follow up with appropriate consequences under the Acceptable Use Policy;
- 15. Whereas:** student safety is not a valid reason for email and AirDrop restrictions as the district is able to keep a digital record of technology abuses;
- 16. Whereas:** students have personal devices with AirDrop and email enabled, and have learned how to manage privacy and appropriate use of technology in their personal lives, we claim they can also do this in their professional academic lives as well;
- 17. Whereas:** AirDrop can be turned off and on, if a student does not want to be visible or able to receive images or files at all times;
- 18. Whereas:** many students are expected to have personal devices put away during the instructional periods so they would not be permitted to use their own technology to simplify collaboration;
- 19. Whereas:** a proposed workaround could be locking all district devices that support AirDrop to “Contact Only” restricting all allowed devices to those within the district;

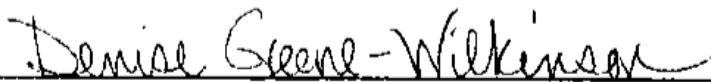
Therefore, be it resolved that the Alaska Association of Student Governments supports Kodiak High School in allowing AirDrop and email between students.

Action Statement: if passed by the General Assembly of AASG, Kodiak High School Student Body Government will bring this resolution to the Kodiak Island Borough School District School Board and Kodiak High School Administration.

Passed by the 2022 Spring Conference GA hosted by Kodiak High School



AASG Vice President, Kamea VanDeventer



AASG Executive Director, Denise Greene-Wilkinson