Work Session

Tuesday, October 27, 2026 5:30 PM
NBMHS RC/Zoom, 2920 3.5 Nome-Teller Hwy, Nome, Alaska 99762

A. **Call to Order**
B. **Items for Discussion**
1. Principal Responsibilities Review
2. FY27 Curriculum Work Planning
C. **Upcoming Events:**
BOE Regular Meeting Tuesday, November 10, 2026, 5:30pm, NES Library
BOE Work Session Tuesday, November 25, 2026, 5:30pm, NES Library
D. **Adjournment**

JOB DESCRIPTION

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

NOME PUBLIC SCHOOLS

QUALIFICATIONS:

1. At least five years successful experience in education. Two years experience as site administrator preferred. Experience in Alaska is desirable.
2. Master's degree required.
3. Current State of Alaska administrator's certificate with endorsement as principal is required.
4. Experience with, or understanding of, community schools is necessary.
5. Demonstrated ability to work with teachers, staff and the community to maximize student achievement.
6. Possess effective communication skills including public speaking and computer literacy.

REPORTS TO: Superintendent

SUPERVISES: All certified and classified staff in building.

JOB GOALS: Administer total operation of the school in accordance with state law, policies of the board, and direction of the superintendent. Work as a team member contributing to district vision and mission through short and long-range goal setting with other administrators. Promote and contribute to the success of the district strategic plan through oversight of the building instructional leadership team. Maintains a safe and culturally responsive school environment that fosters the individual academic, social and physical development and growth of all students.

PERFORMANCE RESPONSIBILITIES:

1. Provide overall leadership for school.

2. Plan, organize, and direct the implementation of all academic and nonacademic activities.

3. Provide a safe and comfortable environment conducive for learning.

4. Cultivate a favorable relationship with local community groups, tribal organizations, media, and parent groups, to foster understanding and solicit support for overall school objectives and programs.

5. Coordinate and supervise services such as custodial, security, food services, financial and accounting functions for student activity fund.

6. Strive to implement and supervise all areas of the curriculum in a way that will be considerate of the unique individual needs of students in helping them reach their maximum potential.

7. Organize and administer the school effectively for the development and growth of students and personnel.

8. Lead and facilitate the ongoing improvement of the school's educational program.

9. Adhere to the negotiated agreements of classified and certified employees.

10. Comply with state and city fire, safety and sanitation regulations.

11. Demonstrate a working knowledge of Alaska School Laws, State Department of Education & Early Development regulations, and Nome Public School District policies.

12. Comply with the Nome School District teacher evaluation procedures and guidelines.

13. Provide administrative support for school personnel.

14. Select leadership team members and sponsors of extra curricular activities effectively.

15. Serve as instructional leader in school and districtwide curriculum planning, implementation and evaluation.

16. Monitor the use of an Alaska standards-based curriculum.

17. Encourage, schedule and supervise extracurricular activities.

18. Integrate special programs and support services into the established curriculum.

19. Encourage teachers to use research-based "best practice" and materials.

20. Make staff assignments and schedules consistent with teachers' contracts.

21. Make recommendations to superintendent on personnel selection and retention.

22. Implement programs which encourage parent involvement.

23. Work as a team player contributing to a continuous district-wide improvement plan.

24. Perform such other duties and assume other responsibilities as may be directed by the superintendent.

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Nome Public Schools FY27 Curriculum Work Options

Tyler Davis & Jamie Burgess
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Overview

Progress to Date:

Spring of 2026 - adopted curricula for Grades 6-8 science, HS Biology, HS Environmental Science

Option #1

- Clean up adopted MS/HS Curriculum
- “Indigenize” curriculum by working with a consultant
- Include place-based activities as needed
- Alaska Cultural Standards
- Reference resources available within district - physical OR digital

Option #2

- Develop K-5 elementary science curriculum
- AK Science Standards
- NGSS Standards
- Alaska Cultural Standards
- Place-based activities
- Work with consultant to develop + teacher team

Option #3

- Work on MS/HS Social Studies Curriculum
- World History, US History, Alaska History, Government/Civics, Tribal Government
- Alaska Content Standards
- Alaska Cultural Standards
- Work with consultant

Option #4

- Organize physical and digital resources currently scattered across sites
- Work with Library and/or Museum to identify resources and cross-connect to appropriate content/grade levels

Potential Consultants

Joni Speiss - former NPS teacher, current UA professor, has worked with NSBSD, NWASBD on curriculum

Sigvanna Tapqaq - experience with Tribal Government teaching

Katirvik Staff - Kunaq & Kiminaq

Retired Indigenous Teachers - Annie Conger/ Josie Bourdon

Other Local Experts