

**FAIRBANKS NORTH STAR BOROUGH BOARD OF EDUCATION
RESOLUTION 2026-17:
AFFIRMING A COMMITMENT TO A SAFE, INCLUSIVE, AND BULLYING-FREE ENVIRONMENT
FOR ALL STUDENTS**

WHEREAS, the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District (FNSBSD) believes that all students have the right to a safe, respectful, and welcoming learning environment; and

WHEREAS, bullying, harassment, and intimidation, including physical, verbal, social, and cyberbullying, negatively impact student well-being, academic performance, and overall school climate; and

WHEREAS, FNSBSD recognizes the importance of fostering a culture of respect, inclusion, and kindness among students, staff, and the community; and

WHEREAS, research indicates that proactive bullying prevention efforts, including education, clear policies, and supportive intervention strategies, significantly reduce incidents of bullying and improve student outcomes; and

WHEREAS, students learn by example, and it is essential that adults—including educators, administrators, staff, parents, and community members, consistently model respectful, inclusive, and compassionate behavior; and

WHEREAS, students play a crucial role in creating a positive school climate and should be empowered to stand up for their peers in a respectful and constructive manner when witnessing bullying and to recognize when it is necessary to seek help from a trusted adult to ensure safety and appropriate intervention; and

WHEREAS, the FNSBSD is committed to fostering an inclusive school environment where all students feel valued, respected, and supported, regardless of background, identity, or ability;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the FNSBSD Board of Education affirms its commitment to a safe, respectful, and inclusive learning environment through continued review and examination of anti-bullying policies, improved reporting and intervention practices, and promotion of a culture of dignity for all students; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that staff, families, and community members are expected to model positive behavior, support students in standing up to bullying, and reinforce that bullying in any form is unacceptable; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the FNSBSD will provide timely support and resources to all students affected by or involved in bullying, while continuing to develop programs that promote understanding, celebrate diversity, and prevent identity-based harm; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Fairbanks North Star Borough School District will continue to champion efforts to eliminate bullying and uphold the dignity and well-being of every student through collaborative efforts, positive adult leadership, and student empowerment.

Passed and Approved: January 20, 2026



Bobby Burgess, President
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ATTEST:



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