



Hi colleagues,

We at the Association of Alaska School Boards are so excited to be your host for the 2018 Trainers Conference June 20-23 in Juneau, Alaska!! We will welcome everyone to Juneau on Wednesday June 20 with registration followed by an Alaska gathering in the early evening. Thursday and Friday will be packed with innovating keynotes, and sessions and the conference will end with a focused presentation on Culturally Relevant Social Emotional Learning on Saturday morning, June 23. Please visit our conference webpage to keep up to date and see the latest draft agenda ([2018-trainers-conf](#)).

We need your expertise to make this a **great** conference and are now accepting proposals for concurrent sessions. Please take this opportunity to share topics that are important or exciting to your members with trainers and meeting planners from school board associations across the country.

To submit a session for consideration, complete the attached form, and return to Timi Tullis ttullis@aasb.org. If you are submitting for more than one session, please provide a separate form for each. The deadline for proposals is April 13th (after NSBA National Conf.) and presenters will be notified by April 27th.

Lodging:

The conference will be held at Elizabeth Peratrovich Hall, a short walk from the hotels. Lodging is available at the Baranof, the Four Points, or the Prospector hotels. To reserve rooms:

Baranof Westmark Hotel ([weblink](#)) \$179/night

1-800-544-0970 – Group Name: “School Board State Trainers Conf. 2018”

Group code: AASBJUNE

Sheraton Four Points ([weblink](#)) \$189/night

Reservations must be made before May 11th to take advantage of this discounted room rate.

Prospector Hotel \$169, \$179, \$189/night

Reservations can be made by calling (907) 586-3737.

Travel:

Since we know you will be flying in (no roads in remember) search for Juneau International Airport when booking. Both Alaska Airlines and Delta fly into Juneau. All flights will either come in from Seattle or Anchorage. It is a 2-hour flight from Seattle and 1.5 hours from Anchorage.

We have arranged for a 5% discount for Alaska Air flights for the conference. This includes travel to and from the lower 48 and within Alaska between Anchorage and Juneau. Inclusive dates are June 13th to 27th. When booking with Alaska Air, use this fare discount code: **ECMZ360**

We look forward to seeing you in Juneau... We are so excited for the long days of summer.

Other side trips to add to your experience include:

- Tracy Arm Cruise; full day event to a stunning calving glacier, there will also be baby seals as they birth up the 'arm' so the whales can not kill/eat the babies. <https://www.adventureboundalaska.com/>
- Mount Roberts Tram; right in downtown Juneau this allows you time to get to 1500 feet without the hiking ☺. There is a lot of exploring once you are atop the mountain. <http://mountr Robertstramway.com/>
- Lots of museums; Alaska State Museum (we hope to have a training in here, but it is a fantastic way to spend a few hours), Juneau-Douglas city museum and lastly the Last Chance Mining museum. <http://museums.alaska.gov/>, <http://www.juneau.org/library/museum/>, <http://www.alaska.org/detail/last-chance-mining-museum>,
- Mendenhall Glacier offers stunning views of a glacier as well as some great hikes. Low impact walk out to Nugget Falls or a 3 mile loop walk that elevates to about 1500 feet on the East Glacier Trail. <https://www.fs.usda.gov/recarea/tongass/recarea/?recid=78799>, <https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/tongass/about->

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- Juneau Arboretum and The Shrine of St. Therese are located about ¼ apart and are a great way to get off the beaten path and see 2 of Juneau's favorite destinations, past them is Eagle Beach which allows for stunning views of the Chilkat Mountains. <https://www.facebook.com/Jensen-Olson-Arboretum-344775221388/>,
<https://www.traveljuneau.com/listing/shrine-of-st-therese/43368/>,
- There is also fishing opportunities, whale watching boat rides, helicopter rides that will let you off on top of the glacier, all are so exciting, it only depends on how deep your wallet is or how adventurous you are!
- We also have a few great breweries downtown and a new distillery.