



AASB's 71st
**ANNUAL
CONFERENCE**
& Youth Leadership Institute

AASB's 71st Annual Conference, November 7-10, 2024 at the Hilton Anchorage, is Alaska's largest annual gathering of school board members and district leaders in the state. This year, the conference's focus will be **Investing in Students, Strengthening Public Schools**. Conference Highlights include: Two General Sessions with expert keynote speakers, networking and peer learning opportunities (through roundtable discussions, like-size district forums and meals), and 15 breakout sessions on current topics in the education field.



**Friday Keynote
Speaker**

Aleesha Towns-Bain

Aleesha Towns-Bain is the Executive Director of the Bristol Bay Foundation, supporting Bristol Bay Native Corporation shareholders and descendants in education and cultural heritage preservation.



**Saturday Keynote
Speaker**

Tami Pyfer

UNITE Chief of Staff and co-creator of the Dignity Index, Tami Pyfer will be speaking on easing divisions and solving problems through dignity.



**Youth Leadership Institute
Speaker**

Eskimo Ninja

As a World Eskimo Indian Olympics athlete, Nick Hanson, aka the Eskimo Ninja has made it his goal in life to reach as many youth as possible with the message, "Know Who You Are."

Breakfast starts at 7:30 am each day.

Thursday, November 7: Pre-Conference Sessions (8:30 am - 4:30 pm)

- New School Board Members Training: Ready, Set, Govern!
- Experienced Board Member Academy: Elevating Family, Community, and Youth Voice!
- Resolutions Committee Meeting
- Youth Leadership Institute: Day 1 (goes through Sunday)
- *Lunch on your own, 12:00-1:30 pm*

For more information, visit www.aasb.org

AASB's 2024 Annual Conference At-A-Glance Agenda

Breakfast starts at 7:30 am each day. Lunch provided Friday and Saturday.

Friday, November 8 – Traditional Wear Day!	
8:15 - 10 am	General Session Keynote Speaker: Aleesha Towns-Bain, Executive Director, Bristol Bay Foundation
10:15 - 11:30 am	Morning Breakout Sessions
11:30 am - 12 pm	Exhibitor Booth Exploration
12 - 1:15 pm	Awards Luncheon (Students & School Board Members)
1:30 - 2:45 pm	Afternoon Breakout Sessions
3 - 4:30 pm	Snapshot Sessions Attend four “mini” information sessions on a variety of topics.
5:30 - 7 pm	June Nelson Memorial Scholarship Fundraiser (light snacks will be served) Plan to join us for this annual tradition. Proceeds go to student scholarships for post-secondary education. We welcome auction items!
Saturday, November 9	
8:15 - 10 am	General Session Keynote Speaker: Tami Pyfer, Chief of Staff and VP External for UNITE & co-creator of the Dignity Index
10:15 - 11:30 am	Morning Breakout Sessions (Students & School Board Members)
11:30 am - 12 pm	Exhibitor Booth Exploration
12 - 1:15 pm	Business Meeting Luncheon for School Board Members (Students will have a separate lunch)
1:30 - 3 pm	Roundtables Opportunity for School Board Members and Students to share and learn about issues and opportunities in your districts.
3:15 - 4:30 pm	Like-Size District Forums Rural/REAA, Mid-Size/Single Site, Urban/Large
Sunday, November 10	
7:30 am	Optional Inspirational Service
8:15 am	General Session Youth Leadership Institute Panel
By 9:00 am	AASB Business Meeting & Delegate Assembly

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