



AASB Thanks Dr. Michael Johnson

lead·er·ship

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noun

the action of leading a group of people or an organization.

"different styles of leadership"

synonyms: guidance, direction, control, management, superintendence

- the state or position of being a leader.



Commissioner Johnson,

From the bottom of our hearts, thank you for all of your hard work, dedication, and passion to improve the lives and opportunities of Alaska's children through a quality public education.

As you “toss the tie” and embark on the next chapter of your life's journey, the staff and Board of Directors of AASB thank you and wish you all the best.





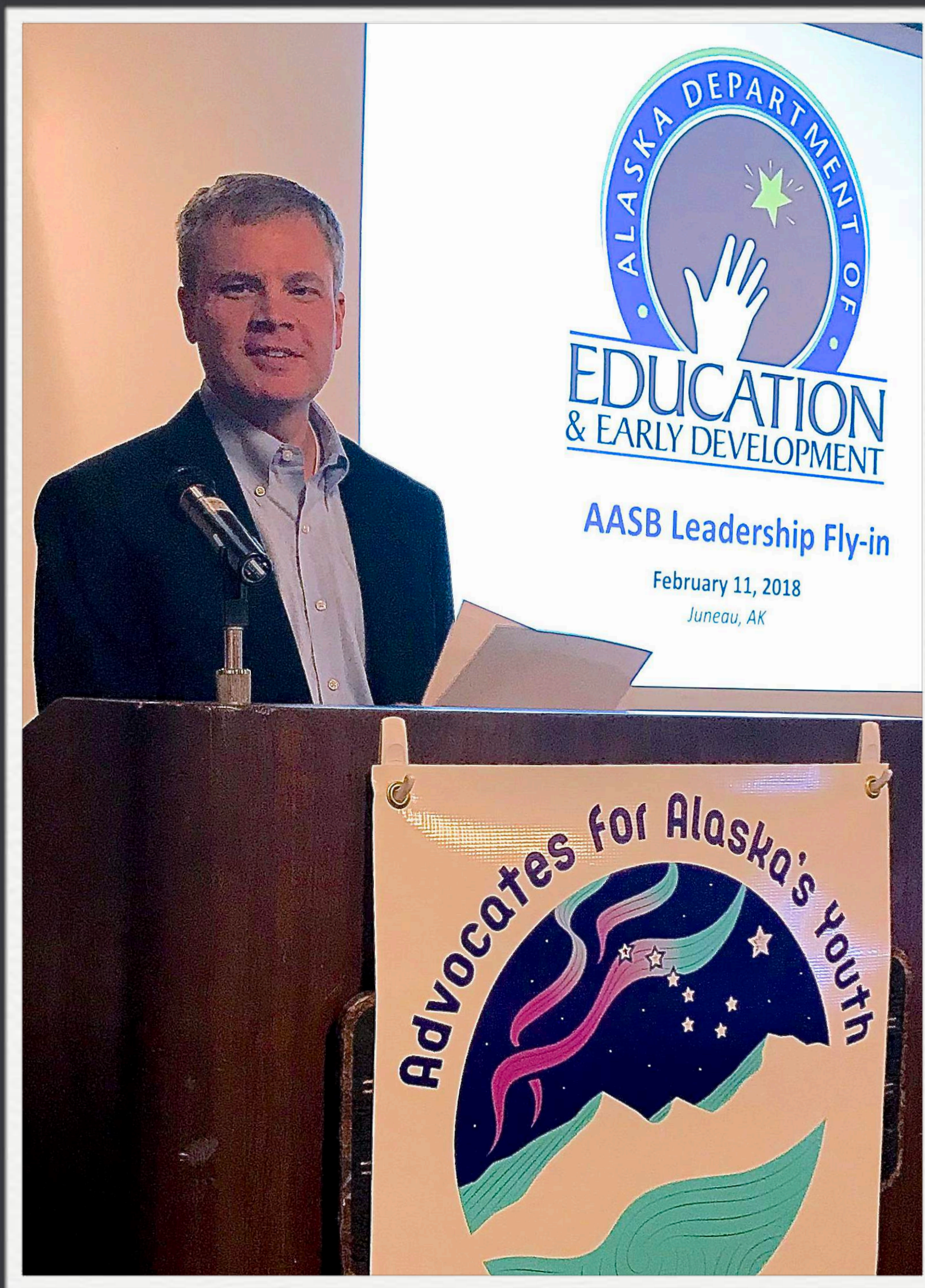
Dr. Johnson
addresses
the 2016
AASB Annual
Conference
during his first
year as DEED
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2018 AASB Annual Conference





2018 AASB Leadership Academy and Legislative Fly-In



2018 Meeting with Governor Walker during AASB Legislative Fly-In



2018 News Conference with Governor Walker



2019 AASB Annual Conference



2019 AASB Fly-In



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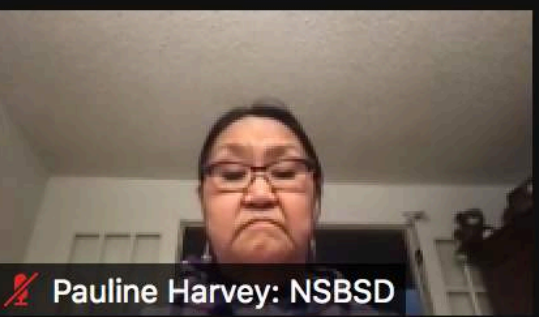
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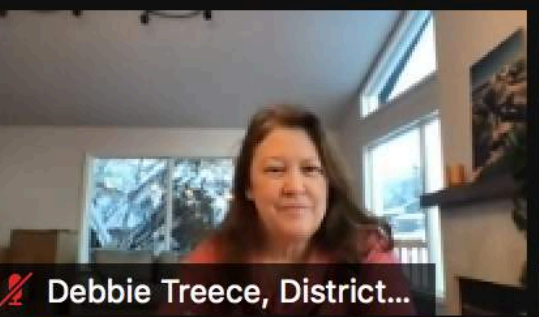
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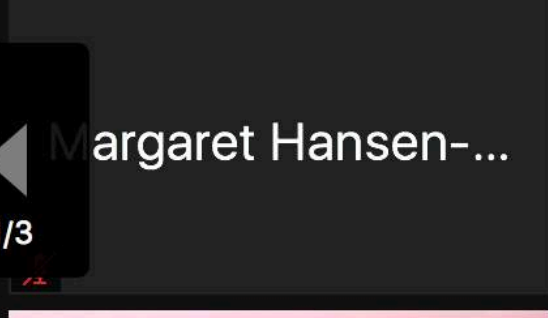
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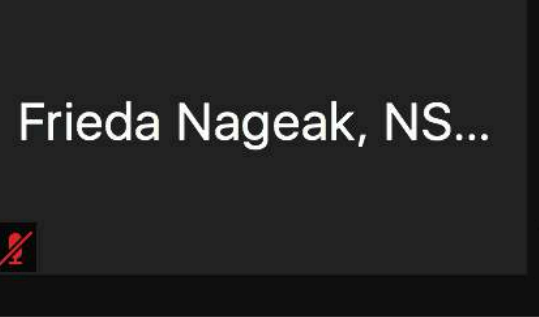
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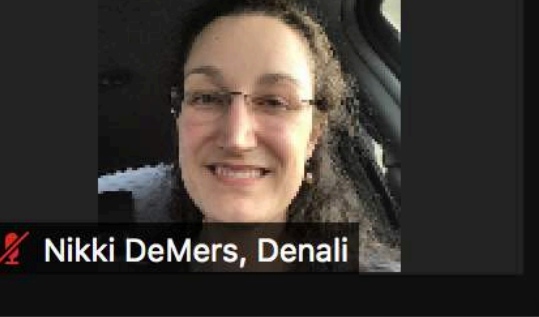
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2020 AASB Annual Conference (Virtual)





2021 AASB Annual Conference



2022 AASB Leadership Academy and Legislative Fly-In

Alaska Science of Reading Symposium

Commissioner Dr. Michael Johnson, Department of Education and Early Development

Alaska is at or near the bottom in reading proficiency when compared to other states. There's no way to spin the data to support an argument that the status quo in literacy instruction is working for Alaska's students. Fortunately, our NAEP results are not our destiny. They are our call to action.



The great news is that we know how to fix Alaska's reading challenge. At the end of April, nearly a thousand Alaska education stakeholders came together in Anchorage to learn about a proven scientific approach to literacy instruction. Many school board members participated in the Alaska Science of Reading Symposium. The Association of Alaska School Boards also sent staff members and contributed to a successful convening.

What is your vision for the future of Alaska's youth?

By Dr. Michael Johnson, Commissioner, Alaska Department of Education & Early Development



Following the April 10 release of the 2017 National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) results for Alaska, DEED Commissioner Johnson provided this response.

Alaska, in many ways, is still a frontier. We have opportunities that no other state in our country can claim. Our uniqueness is a strength, as it has been for many generations. This is not just true with resource development, natural beauty, and culture, but also with the opportunity to transform our education system into a relevant, high-achieving and family-friendly network of schools.

Guest Columns

As with all great treks, each step makes the next one possible

By Dr. Michael Johnson, Commissioner, Department of Education and Early Development

Denali National Park is one of my favorite spots on Earth. My wife and I have enjoyed camping, hiking, and viewing the wildlife. During one visit, I remember a group of us standing in the Eielson Visitor Center looking down over the valley. From the clarity of our perch, we plotted our trek for the day. Our pathway seemed clear...until we started hiking. Each step took us farther down into the valley and brush, making it harder to see what was ahead and behind us. That's not unlike the experience of over a hundred Alaskans who have led the Alaska Education Challenge.

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Dr. Michael Johnson

Climbing The Well-Worn Path To A Sustainable Fiscal Plan

GUEST COLUMN



Dr. Michael Johnson, Commissioner, Alaska Department of Education and Early Development

"Peninsula Schools Face Deep Cuts"

"School District Budget Still Unsettled: Anchorage Board Must Find Ways to Make \$6.2 Million in Spending Reductions"

Thanks for being there for us through the years!

It is hard to imagine the Alaska Department of Education without your leadership. Your service as commissioner will have a lasting impact on Alaska's Public Education policy.

Through partnership and your calm, collected demeanor, you gave Alaska's education community the confidence that DEED was in their corner. For AASB and school boards across the state, we have appreciated your humility and grace and your unfailing support of the importance of local school board governance.

