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Hi - Please support full funding for education. The proposed cuts will detrimentally affect our children - our future! Put funding in their future, not retroactive into Corrections.

The following are two proposed cuts to education funding that would have a profound effect on the children of Nome.

1) Over the past several years, Nome Public Schools has been awarded a grant that has added three pre-school classrooms offered to the children and families of Nome. The data collected at the time of enrollment and at the graduation for the students clearly shows that the children have made great advances in their ability to read. We can't afford to lose this great opportunity to make a difference in so many children's lives.

2) The broadband elimination would also hurt Nome Public Schools as a whole, causing the district to divert funds from other areas to be able to keep the technology services we currently are able to provide our students. Technology is a integral part of student learning, on a daily basis. In our technology driven world, this is another cut we can't afford.

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