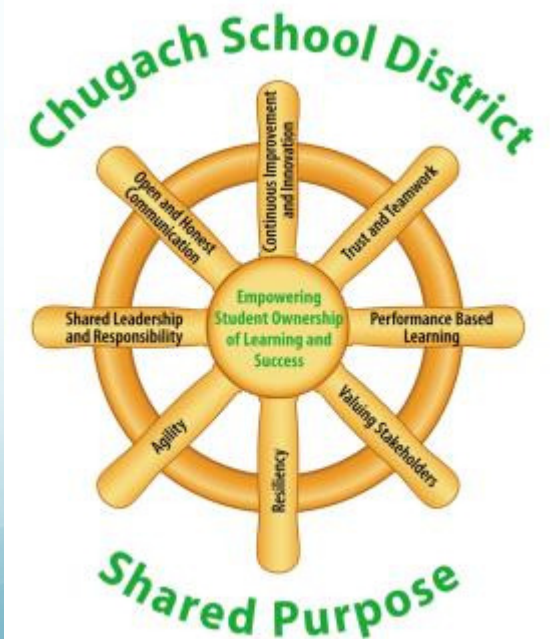


Rural Districts – Current Status

- Doing More With Less Has Become The Norm, Has Been Embraced
- Improved State Exams, Grad. Rates, Multiple Indicators-have “Right Track” Feel
- Have Made Cuts To Get To This Point
- See A Frightening Financial Future Looming On The Horizon
- Foreseen Future Cuts Will Make Providing A Well Rounded Ed. Impossible



Student Needs, Wants, Likes

Students Want Menu Of Opportunities For Success

- APA Internal Motivators:
 - Involved With Complex Work With Success
 - Work With Others
 - Some Autonomy With Work
- Providing System With This, Reverses Fight To Get Kids To School, To Learn
- Students Volunteer To Give Up Summer, Weekends, To Attend School
- Students - Performance Based Progress Makes More Sense Than Time-Based
- Caring Teachers That Stay (Teacher Retention)

Well Rounded Education Is Not Feel-Good Fluff, It's Essential

- Bicycle Wheel Spokes – Each Is Important
 - Nothing On It's Own Is The Silver Bullet
 - Academic Rigor & Robust Accountability
 - Bandwidth And iPads
- Everything We're Doing And More – Right On Target
- Increased Menu Of Choices, Regardless Of Zip Code

The Question Is.... How Do We Provide It All, With Limited Resources?



Rural Districts - Future

- **Coordinated Collaborative Services (Not Consolidated)**

- Multiple Silo Agency Infrastructure - fine For Urban
- This Infrastructure Inefficient & Ineffective Rural AK

- **Regional Coordinated Service Centers**

- Career & Tech Ed
- Early Childhood Services
- Health
- Law Enforcement & Courts
- Labor
- Social Services
- Transportation, etc.

- **Regional Learning Centers**

- Network Of Centers To Provide Broad Menu Of Learning Opportunities Which No Single Organization Can Provide Alone
- Chugach & NACTEC finally to Formalize A Decade Long Handshake Deal
- Blended Instructional Delivery (*Personalized & Relevant*)
 - Classroom
 - Hands On Application Of Skills
 - Technology Tools – Online
 - Learning 24/7/365 (Learning Anywhere From Anyone)



Returns

Things That Would Help Us Provide A Well-Rounded Education

- Preschool Funding**

- Common Sense To Invest Where You Get Greatest

- Stable, Predictable Funding**

- More Efficient & Effective When We Plan With This Info

- Fund All Initiative Implementations**

- We're Setting Each Initiative Up For Failure If We Don't

- Putting and Keeping The Best Teachers With Our Students**

- Teacher Retention; TRS, Health Care, Housing, Salary, Feeling Valued

- Increased Ability To Train/Retrain Poor Teachers, Or Counsel Elsewhere

- Regional Coordinated Service Centers**

- The Cost Of Not Doing This Is Far Higher Than The Cost Of Doing It