

Mt. Edgecumbe High School

Data requested by the House Finance Committee March 2021

Student Data

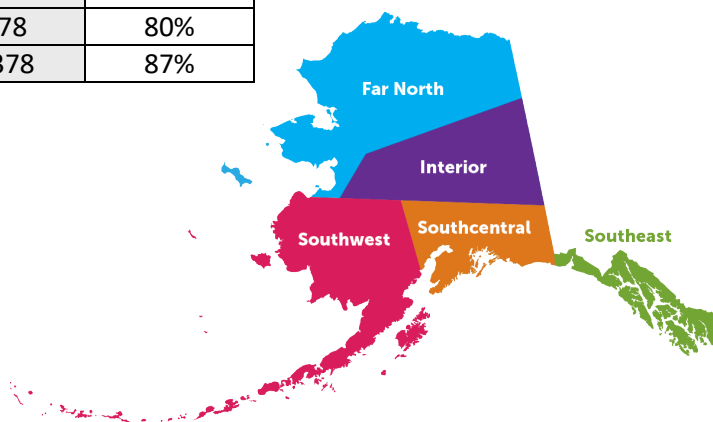
Information represents students served at MEHS during the 2020-2021 school year and 2020 Graduates

Number of students by October (about 11 students were enrolled but left prior to October)

	19.20 comparison	In person	Delayed/ Distance	Total	% of comparison
9 th	120	90	6	96	78%
10 th	113	102	7	109	96%
11 th	99	80	15	95	96%
12 th	97	67	11	78	80%
Total	429	336	39	378	87%

Our students by Region

Region	#	%
Far North	84	22%
Interior	18	5%
Southwest	159	42%
Southcentral	21	6%
Anchorage & Valley	51	13%
Southeast	45	12%
	378	100%



Size of Home Community School

Most students come from small schools

- 46 % are from schools with 50 or less high school students
- 59% from 150 or less (1A or 2A school)
- Many of the students from large schools have lived in smaller communities

Basic Demographics

- 86% of Students are Alaska Native
- 74% qualify for free or reduced lunch

Class of 2020 Graduates

- 94 Graduates
- 51% qualified for an Alaska Performance Scholarship
- 64% demonstrated readiness using Redefining Ready Indicators
- 76% took a dual credit course (college, tech prep, or special topic)
- 12 graduates earned an industry certificate in welding (CNA was cancelled)
- 24% attended college fall after graduation (significantly less than the typical 60%- COVID affect)

Size	#	%
10 or less	62	16%
11-25	51	13%
26-50	59	16%
51-75	41	11%
76-100	0	0%
101-125	10	3%
126-150	0	0%
151-200	18	5%
201-250	0	0%
251-500	59	16%
500+	78	21%
	378	100%

Information on cost per student

Since state funds are driven by student enrollment during the budget year, it is most accurate to look at past years for a true picture of a per student cost. FY 20 is used as a pre-covid consideration. FY 22 is expected to be similar for formula funds.

Per Student Cost

To provide a consistent comparison of state dollars, the published "State Aid to Each District" found on the State website at <https://education.alaska.gov/schoolfinance/foundationfunding> was used for state funds amounts. Student enrollment numbers from the State web page, Department of Education and Early Development data center <https://education.alaska.gov/schoolfinance/foundationfunding> was used to provide enrollment for a per student calculation.

Table provides the state dollars per student for MEHS with some comparisons

	State Aid	students	Per Student State \$	Residential funds	Total state funds per student
MEHS	2,787,639	431	\$6,468	4,630,900	\$17,212
State total	1,198,461,584	128,589	\$9,320		
State Low	30,166,273	5,155	\$5,852		
State High	1,308,991	28	\$46,750		
Anchorage	331,144,956	45,218	\$7,323		
Far North Ave	94,812,570	6,324	\$14,993		
Southwest Ave	156,777,357	9,714	\$16,139		

other districts receive state residential funds through a separate formula, not included

MEHS academic per student cost ranks 53 out of 54 districts in cost per student.

MEHS cost per student including residential state dollars would rank at 19 out of 54

Impact Aid off-set state contribution to formula

Impact aid are federal funds provided to schools for students who live on non-taxable land such as federal land, military bases, and Native land. Many of the MEHS students who come from small remote places generate federal impact aid by living on Native land. These federal dollars off-set the state required contribution. Since Sitka has a much lower cost differential than many of the rural communities, the federal funds off set a larger portion of the formula.

MEHS Formula fund Impact Aid and State fund Distribution

	State Aid	Federal Impact Aid	Total Formula funds for MEHS
FY 2020	2,787,639 (58%)	2,034,611 (42%)	4,822,250

The amount of federal Impact Aid was held the same for FY21. We anticipate a similar number of students qualifying in FY22 as in FY20, therefore a similar percentage off-set.

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