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KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

PRESS RELEASE

KPBSD adds two informational meetings regarding Southern Peninsula area transportation

Soldotna, January 17, 2012—KPBSD faces a \$750,000.00 deficit caused by inflation in transportation costs. Two additional informational meetings in the Southern Peninsula are scheduled; bring your questions and ideas:

- Wednesday, February 1: **Homer High School library, 5:30 p.m.**
- Thursday, February 2: **Ninilchik School library, 5:30 p.m.**

KPBSD is exploring options to address this transportation deficit, and is open to solutions. The transportation costs as bid by First Student have increased significantly beyond the amount KPBSD is reimbursed by the State of Alaska, resulting in a deficit of approximately \$750,000.

In order to educate the public and seek positive solutions to this transportation deficit, two initial informational meetings were held on December 1 and 2, 2011, in the Southern Peninsula area. During the meetings, the proposed transportation route changes and possible changes to school start times were presented, together with information about the current transportation deficit. The December meeting handouts and the PowerPoint presentation are available on the KPBSD website via a link on the home page in the [Community Interest](#) section, or directly at this link: <http://bit.ly/TransportationRoutes>

No final decisions have been made at this time. Any future changes will take effect in August 2012.

KPBSD encourages families and the public to review the documents, PowerPoint, and maps that are on the website, **attend a meeting on January 26 or February 2**, then offer ideas and solutions via an online comment form no later than February 3, 2012. Contact Mr. Dave Jones, Assistant Superintendent, with your questions. Mr. Jones can be e-mailed at DaveJones@kpbsd.k12.ak.us, or called at 907-714-8838.

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