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To: Anchorage School District Superintendent Anchorage School Board Acting Mayor, Anchorage Chairman, Anchorage Assembly

From: Paul R. Stang, President, University Area Community Council

Subject: Request for Disclosure of Public Health Assessment and Advice Regarding Anchorage School District's Plans

The average rate of new cases in Anchorage of the Covid-19 Pandemic have been increasing at an exponential rate, from initially single digits/day in spring to about 100/day a little more than a month ago to an average of about 250/day over the last few days. Our members know little of the basis and rationale for the Anchorage School District's earlier plans to return students to classrooms.

Therefore, as the ASD looks towards eventually reopening schools, the UACC requests and strongly encourages the Municipality to disclose to the public its independent, professional public health assessment and advice regarding Anchorage School District's plans to help illuminate the public health risks and mitigation strategies and provide the community with confidence that public health risk thresholds and associated public health guidance provided by the Municipal Health Department are prudent, professional, science-based, and reflect the current outlook for the COVID-19 pandemic in Anchorage.

Thank you,

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cc: University Area Community Council Executive Board Members