

**SKAGWAY SCHOOL BOARD  
COMMUNITY FORUM  
Tuesday, January 21, 2014**

**1) FY2014-2015 Board Goals**

Goal Suggestions

- Science lab instruction – and facility
- Street smarts program
- Foreign language
  - Start in kindergarten
  - Survey to select which language
  - Train teachers to instruct language
  - Test/teach to college preparedness
- College readiness – advanced classes
- Cutting edge
  - Best in the State
  - Where in the nation?
- Music
  - Happening now – continue
  - Bring into the elementary
  - Keep recorder skills thru high grades
    - Start earlier
- P.O. Bulletin board – post more information there
- Reach non-parents and businesses
  - Senior Center
  - Chamber of Commerce
  - ? Marquise
- Shop facility – improvements

**2) FY2014-2015 School Calendar**

- Attendance – extend vacation time
  - Increase student instructional time
- Weekend graduation – avoid track state
- Clean up day after graduation
- 4\* or 5\* = certificate/marketing for school
- 2 weeks Christmas & 2 weeks Spring Break
  - Avoid long break
  - February
  - Avoid matching Juneau
- Make adjustments slowly
- Opportunity for holiday celebrations in school / with community
- Keep Spring Break for athletes
- Don't have large break before finals
- Likes 8/21 and 5/22 dates
- No 5 week break
- Spring Break is important (April is ok)
- Kids ready to quit May

State Test Dates – Mandated  
170 instruction days - Students  
180 days – Teacher contract

# SKAGWAY SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD GOALS 2013-2014

## Vision

In partnership with educators, family and community; Skagway School District will provide rich and rigorous academics that ensure all students will succeed in their education and work.

## Mission

Skagway School District will:

- Through professional and curriculum development provide a rich and rigorous education for every student.
- Use proactive and effective communication with parents, community and educators.
- Provide the tools for each student to succeed to the best of his/her ability.

**Goal One:** The Skagway School District will promote effective communication and partnerships with parents, local businesses, government and other agencies.

Specifically Utilizing A Multi Pronged Plan Including-

1. Facebook page.
2. Skagway School District will sponsor:
  - a. School board member sponsored early childhood literacy activity 2 times a year.
  - b. Annual community barbeque with school orientation for new families.
3. The Skagway School Board will establish a subcommittee to focus on communications with public entities.

**Goal Two:** To actively recruit, retain, and develop highly competent, caring, and student focused staff by putting into practice state of the art technology that provides students and staff with full working and learning capability.

1. Hire a highly trained and qualified teacher experienced in Vocational Technology and Computer Technology, Foreign Language or Social Studies.
2. Hire a highly trained and qualified teacher experienced in Sciences and Computer Technology, Foreign Language or Social Studies.

**Goal Three:** The Skagway School District will set and meet high expectations for academic achievement, teaching standards, administration accomplishments, and board performance.

1. The Skagway School District will develop and adopt a new evaluation tool for the Superintendent position that contains measurable objectives, and input from the staff and community.
2. The Skagway School District will adopt a research-based system to evaluate teacher performance and promote professional growth.
3. The Skagway School District will commission a study to measure student success after graduation.
4. The Skagway School District will provide professional guidance counselor services.