Dear Sponsor,

The Anchorage School District (ASD) and The Alaska Coalition of BIPOC Educators (ACBE), are excited to host the annual *Help Us Give School Supplies (HUGSS)* event. This Back-to-School Supply Event will take place on **Friday, August 1, 2025, from 11 AM to 7 PM at Begich Middle School**. Our goal is to provide **5,000 backpacks filled with essential school supplies** to ASD students, ensuring they start the school year prepared and ready to learn.

By supporting this initiative, you will not only contribute to a meaningful cause but also gain valuable exposure for your organization. This event serves as an excellent opportunity for community partners to promote **back-to-school readiness**, helping to alleviate the financial burden that purchasing school supplies can place on many ASD families.

## How You Can Help

Community sponsors are essential to making this event a success. Your organization can support HUGSS in the following ways:

- **Donate new school supplies** Backpacks, paper, pencils, erasers, and more. A full list of requested items can be found here: <u>ASD Student Supply List</u>
- Spread the word Share HUGSS event information with your clients and patrons
- Make a monetary or in-kind donation Contributions can be directed to the Anchorage School District. (Please note on the check that it's for HUGSS. Tax ID: 92-6000078)

## **Sponsorship Levels & Benefits**

We offer three sponsorship levels, each with promotional benefits to recognize your generosity:

### Bronze (\$500-\$1,000)

• Company logo featured in digital event promotions

### Silver (\$1,001-\$2,500)

- Company logo featured in digital event promotions
- Sponsorship participation certificate

### Gold (\$2,501 and up)

- Company logo featured in digital event promotions
- Sponsorship participation certificate
- Recognition and announcement during the event

To ensure recognition, we kindly ask for a response on or before **July 1, 2025**. However, we will accept donations from April 1, 2025 until the day of the event.

## **Other Event Information**

If you are interested in sponsoring or have any questions regarding the school supply list, please contact **volunteer@asdk12.org**.

QR Code to donate:



Or visit this URL: <u>https://www.zeffy.com/fundraising/help-us-give-school-supplies-huggs</u>

To view more information and event updates, please visit <u>https://www.asdk12.org/hugss</u>

Thank you for your support in helping Anchorage students succeed!

# Demographic Information from 2024 HUGSS Event

In 2024, the HUGSS event provided backpacks filled with essential school supplies to nearly 3,000 students across 90 Anchorage School District schools. Reaching 99% of schools districtwide, the event reflected the strength of our community's commitment to supporting students.

Total families served	1,021	Zip code count by students served:
Total children served	2,984	99501 170
Gender of students:		99502 95
- Male - Female	1,465 1,509	99503 157 99504 557
Grade level:		99505 29
<ul> <li>Kindergarten - 2nd</li> <li>3rd - 5th</li> <li>6th - 12th</li> </ul>	685 742 1,270	99506219950728099508846
Ethnicity:		99515 106
<ul> <li>Alaska Native</li> <li>Native American</li> <li>Asian</li> <li>Black</li> <li>Hawaiian/Pacific Islander</li> <li>Hispanic</li> <li>White</li> <li>Multi-ethnic</li> </ul>	542 24 412 195 574 234 448 536	9951667995171569951840995674099576239957756995872

#### What HUGSS Provides

HUGSS ensures Anchorage School District students start the school year prepared and confident by providing essential school supplies and backpacks.

### Looking Ahead to HUGSS 2025

This year, HUGSS aims to distribute 5,000 backpacks - an ambitious goal that will cost at least \$35,000, not including shipping.

The school supplies that go into each back are estimated to cost an additional \$18,000 to \$30,000. Monetary and in-kind donations are gratefully accepted to help make this important effort possible.