Hearing on Edgecumbe set

For 34 years students from various parts of Alaska have been flocking to Mount Edgecumbe every fall to attend high school.

After 1982, students may have to stay home and attend high school because Mt. Edgecumbe is scheduled to close after the spring of 1982.

Agencies such as the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Alaska Department of Education, Lieutenant Governor's office, Alaska Federation of Natives, and members of the Alaska Legislature will hold an audio tele-conference to discuss alternative uses of the Mount Edgecumbe High School facility.

The teleconference will be statewide and anyone who lives in one of the 19 towns with a teleconference terminal may testify.

The conference is scheduled for Aug. 12 from 1-3 p.m. (southcentral time) or 3-5 p.m. (southeast time).

Lee Demmert, Mount Edgecumbe administrator, said, "We-'re operating full swing this year but it's slated for closure after this year." He added, "A one year delay was given to us."

Although the school isn't scheduled to open in the fall of 1982, Demmert said, "There are still people opposing an abrupt closure."