

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #37 (2005-2006)

September 06, 2005

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: ASD RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF MAYOR'S DIVERSITY
WEEK

ASD Goal: Establish and maintain a supportive and effective learning environment by providing safe, caring, barrier-free schools; promoting health and wellness; and continuing to retain, recruit and train highly qualified staff.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board approve a resolution recognizing September 25 through October 1 as Mayor's Diversity Week.

PERTINENT FACTS:

Anchorage is fortunate to be a diverse community that individuals from a wide variety of backgrounds call home. This diversity of is reflected in our student population and is a strength of our District. The Anchorage School District supports ongoing events and programs that promote an appreciation for diversity and combat bias. Special events, celebrations and professional development opportunities will take place in District facilities in conjunction with Mayor's Diversity Week.

CC/ME/HE

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ANCHORAGE SCHOOL BOARD
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A RESOLUTION FOR MAYOR'S DIVERSITY WEEK, SEPTEMBER 25
THROUGH OCTOBER 1, 2005

WHEREAS, people of all ages, cultures, abilities and backgrounds make significant contributions to the growth of this great nation, the State of Alaska, the Municipality of Anchorage and the Anchorage School District; and

WHEREAS, our community's diversity is reflected in our staff and student population and this diversity lends strength to our district and its mission to educate all students for success in life; and

WHEREAS, we can empower our students and staff to reach their greatest potential by recognizing and celebrating their individual strengths and contributions; and

WHEREAS, providing an environment where students, staff and families can develop mutual respect and understanding is a priority of the Anchorage School Board;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Anchorage School Board recognizes September 25 through October 1, 2005 as "Mayor's Diversity Week" in the Anchorage School District and joins the Municipality of Anchorage and Mayor Begich in encouraging citizens and schools to participate in events and activities that celebrate diversity and build bridges of understanding.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Anchorage School Board this 12th day of September, 2005.

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