

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #35 (2006-2007)

September 11, 2006

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD: ALASKA FAMILY
DIRECTORY WEBSITE

ASD Goal: Ensure public accountability through continued participation in the State and Federal required testing programs; continued preparation and publication of the Profile of Performance, budget basics, and budget and bond summaries; effective consultation with community to ensure wise use of financial resources and responsible construction and maintenance of facilities; and effective communication with students, staff, parents, and community and government at all levels.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board approve and authorize the Superintendent to accept a grant award from the Alaska Department of Education & Early Development in the amount of \$28,000. Funds will be used to continue a website project through the Special Education Department's Students Teachers and Parents (STeP) Center.

PERTINENT FACTS:

The Alaska Department of Education & Early Development has awarded \$28,000 to the Anchorage School District for a continuation of a project that will run from July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. The project is for continuing the maintenance, updating, and additions to the Alaska Family Directory (AFD) website which is hosted on the ASD website. The AFD website is a statewide resource that provides information for families of special needs children. It is divided into the five main regions of Alaska: Far North, Interior, Southwest, Southcentral, and Southeast. Specific to each region is information that includes calendars of educational opportunities for parents and educators as well as community organizations that provide assistance to families of special needs children. Also provided on the website is a statewide disability information newsletter that includes the calendar and can be downloaded for printing.

Major grant budget items are for a part-time employee to keep the activities calendar current and publish the newsletter, some travel monies to promote the Alaska Family Directory in rural communities, and office supplies (printing color brochures, etc.)

Budget Summary:

Salaries	\$16,054
Employee Benefits	4,219
Contracted Services	1,205
Staff Travel	3,000
Supplies/Materials/Media	<u>3,522</u>
TOTAL	\$28,000

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