

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #10 (2007-2008)

August 13, 2007

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: RECOGNITION OF CHUGACH NATIONAL FOREST BOOK
DONATIONS

ASD Goal: Establish and maintain a supportive and effective learning environment by collaborating with other community agencies to maximize opportunities for lifelong learning.

PERTINENT FACTS:

Chugach National Forest is one of America's crown jewels. The forest, only rivaled in size by the Tongass in Southeast Alaska, shelters the wilderness that borders the Municipality of Anchorage and stretches through Prince William Sound to Cordova and beyond. To celebrate the centennial of this national treasure, the United States Forest Service has produced a beautiful book, "Chugach National Forest: Legacy of Land, Sea and Sky," offering up its history and magnificence for readers in the area's towns and villages.

Every high school in the Anchorage School District, including alternative and charter schools, is benefiting from the celebration, receiving free copies from the forest service and the Alaska Natural History Association. The books are inscribed with the following: "Presented by the Chugach National Forest, USFS in celebration of its centennial, 1907-2007; to encourage all students, educators and administrators to deepen their knowledge and appreciation of the CNF."

The Alaska Natural History Association published the book, which was written and includes photographs by Alaska writer Andromeda Romano-Lax. Copies have also been donated to the municipal libraries.

This is a request that the Anchorage School Board officially express its gratitude for this gift, which reminds us of the legacy our students will inherit.

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