

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #23 (2007-2008)

September 24, 2007

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: RECOGNITION OF OUTSTANDING SERVICE, JOANN
STARZEC

ASD Goal: Establish and maintain a supportive and effective learning environment by continuing to retain, recruit and train highly qualified staff.

PERTINENT FACTS:

Joann Starzec began her career as an Anchorage School District employee in 1979. But it was when she transferred to West High School in 1981 as the school's activities clerk that her true talents began to shine.

Joann administered tournaments for athletics and other activities at what was then the largest school in the district. Her dedication to excellence meant spending a great deal of overtime to plan state tournaments for basketball, wrestling, Drama, Debate and Forensics, as well as local and regional competitions, too numerous to count. Among the honors bestowed on her by both students and administrators, is the status of Honorary Thespian awarded by the West High Drama Club for her tireless efforts in assisting the program.

Her legacy is evident today in the rules and procedures Joann helped establish for district activities. When someone asks a question about how to accomplish a certain goal or set a standard, they often turn to the regulations written by Joann in conjunction with her colleagues.

The district asked the Alaska School Activities Association to grant Joann a lifetime Gold Pass to all activities and events in recognition of her contributions. The district administration was pleased to join ASAA in presenting the lifetime achievement award to Joann in February.

This is a request to officially recognize Joann Starzec for her sincere dedication to the success of our students over 25 years of excellent service.

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