

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #64 (2007-2008)

October 8, 2007

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF CONTINUATION GRANT AWARD: READING IS
FUNDAMENTAL, INC.

ASD Goal: Establish and maintain a supportive and effective learning environment by maximizing opportunities for lifelong learning.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board approve and authorize the Superintendent to accept a continuation grant from Reading is Fundamental, Inc., in the amount of \$36,432.

PERTINENT FACTS:

The Anchorage School District is in its eighteenth year of participation in the federal *Reading Is Fundamental* (RIF) book-distribution program. This program operates on a matching fund basis: 75 percent from RIF and 25 percent per allocation from each participating and qualified elementary school.

A total of fifteen ASD elementary schools will participate in the RIF program during the 2007-2008 school year. The schools that are supported through a combination of federal and local (PTA) funds are the following: Chinook, Creekside, Denali, Fairview, Government Hill, Klatt, Lake Otis, Muldoon, North Star, Ptarmigan, Northwood, Ursa Major, Turnagain, Willow Crest, and Wonder Park. The grant provides funds to support three book distributions per participating school, which will take place between December 2007 and May 2008. The three book distributions will provide ownership of 16,560 books to approximately 5,520 children in kindergarten through fifth grade.

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