

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM # 167 (2007-2008)

January 28, 2008

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: RECOGNITION OF DISTINGUISHED TITLE I SCHOOL,
MOUNTAIN VIEW ELEMENTARY

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

PERTINENT FACTS:

The **Alaska Department of Education and Early Development** named **Mountain View Elementary School** a **2007 National Title I Distinguished School** for significantly closing the achievement gap between student groups, according to **DEED Commissioner Barbara Thompson**.

Since 2004, Mountain View students have shown a marked increase in proficiency on state-mandated reading, writing and math assessments. In particular, the students in the economically disadvantaged and limited English proficient subgroups scored significantly higher on the assessments, according to DEED.

The **National Title I Distinguished School Program** is a project of the National Association of State Title I Directors. Selected schools have a poverty rate of at least 35 percent and have met or exceeded state standards for making adequate yearly progress for two or more consecutive years.

“Recognized schools give us confidence that our public schools can meet the needs of the 21st century,” said Commissioner Thompson.

This is a request to congratulate the staff, principal, students and families of Mountain View Elementary on earning this national recognition and their continued successes in student achievement.

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