

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM # 49 (2009-2010)

September 14, 2009

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: MONTHLY UPDATE STUDENT INFORMATION SYSTEM -  
ZANGLE

*ASD Goal: Ensure public accountability through effective consultation with the community to ensure wise use of financial resources and responsible construction and maintenance of facilities, and effective communication with students, staff, parents, community and government at all levels.*

PERTINENT FACTS:

- Phase I (Fall 2009-2010) of the Zangle implementation is substantially complete. Phase I includes the following modules and systems: Enrollment, Registration, Student Profile, Scheduling, Attendance, Behavior, Academic History, Health and Immunization tracking, State Reporting, Test History, Mark Reporting (limited – without SBRC and non-traditional schools), Visits, Notifications, Awards (limited to Graduation/Diploma awards), Teacher Connection, Gradebook, and Parent Connection. All systems are functioning as intended.
- Analysis and planning for Phase II (Fall 2010-2011) implementation will begin January, 2010. Phase II includes Decision Support Tool, Standards Based Report Cards (SBAR), Time Tracker, Inventory, and Student Connection.
- The employees of ASD are to be congratulated for demonstrating incredible flexibility and cooperation during this time of major transition. An implementation of this size and magnitude has impacted virtually all employees throughout the district. The regular school-opening challenges were magnified this year due to the implementation, and it is

notable that district employees maintained a high level of customer service throughout this period.

- Secondary schools will complete mid-quarter marks reporting during the week of September 14-18, 2009. This process will allow schools to generate progress reports for distribution to parents/guardians. Elementary schools will use gradebook progress reports for mid-quarter, and will complete their first marks reporting process at the end of first quarter.
- ParentConnect passwords will be available for distribution to parents by the end of September. Schools will distribute the letters with password information directly to parents/guardians.
- Temporary employees continue Contact Information data entry for the remaining 10,000 students who currently don't have Contact Information on record.
- The No-Show process was modified from past practice as a result of how data is collected in Zangle. Schools are verifying student enrollment based on attendance, and withdrawing students who are verified as No-Show.
- ASD IT staff is preparing the OASIS report, and working with the vendor to finalize requirements for that and other state reports.
- Work continues with the vendor for Health reports and Immunization compliance procedures.

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