

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM # 128 (2009-2010)

December 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:

- Zangle Technical and Training staff are preparing for New Year Initialization. This is the first step to create schedules for the 2010-2011 school year.
- The Zangle 2009.3 release is being tested for implementation in January, 2010. This update includes several fixes for current issues with the system.
- Class Rank and GPA calculations have been an obstacle to accurate transcript data for the secondary schools. ASD has now implemented a process which automatically calculates the GPA/Rank on a daily basis, which has eliminated many previously identified transcript errors.
- The configuration for Standards Based Assessment and Reporting (SBAR) is substantially complete. It is anticipated that the pilot schools and teacher cohort will be able to use the Zangle gradebook for SBAR record keeping and reporting during second semester.
- ASD is currently verifying successful completion of the outstanding implementation issues with CInnovation.
- Staffing changes on the Zangle team have delayed the start of on-site school visits, which are now scheduled to begin January, 2010. This will be an opportunity for end-users to receive direct support from a Zangle staff member. Training team members are assigned to high school attendance zone areas, and will provide support to all schools within that attendance zone.

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