

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #94 (98-99)

November 9, 1998

TO: SCHOOL BOARD
FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
SUBJECT: AMERICAN EDUCATION WEEK

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board adopt the attached resolution designating November 15 - 21, 1998, as American Education Week in the Anchorage School District.

PERTINENT FACTS:

American Education Week is a 77-year tradition of raising community awareness of the needs and virtues of public schools, strengthening the connection between public schools and the public, and building partnerships between schools and communities.

In 1921, the National Education Association and the American Legion cosponsored the first observed American Education Week. This year's cosponsors are the U.S. Department of Education and 12 national organizations: NEA, National PTA, American Legion, American Association of School Administrators, National School Boards Association, American Federation of Teachers, American School Counselor Association, Council of Chief State School Officers, National School Public Relations Association, National Association of State Boards of Education, National Association of Elementary School Principals, and National Association of Secondary School Principals.

This year's American Education Week theme is the same as last year's, "Teaching Our Children to Think and Dream." It was selected again to remind everyone that schools provide students with skills and hope for the future, and that schools are places of learning, intelligence and wonder.

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