

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #17 (1999-2000) August 9, 1999

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT: SUBMISSION OF DISCRETIONARY GRANTS,
FOURTH QUARTER

PERTINENT FACTS:

The purpose of this report is to inform the School Board on a quarterly basis of new grants which have been submitted for funding.

Statewide JTPA Summer Youth Program to the Alaska Statewide JTPA Private Industry Council for a total of \$21,748 for a summer project. McLaughlin High School: To provide summer employment and job skills for youth from McLaughlin High School. This project has been funded at \$21,748.

Municipality of Anchorage JTPA Summer Youth Program to the Municipality of Anchorage JTPA Private Industry Council for \$15,618 for a summer project. McLaughlin High School: To provide summer youth employment and job skills for youth from McLaughlin High School. This project has been funded at \$15,618.

LEA Grants for Systems Change and Direct Service Provision to the Alaska Department of Education for \$99,861 for a one-year project. Special Education: To improve outcomes for children with behavioral challenges by implementing research-based behavioral support strategies in three high-needs ASD elementary schools, and in ASD Special Education preschool programs and community preschools. This project has been funded at \$99,861.

State Safe and Drug-Free Schools 2000 Grants to Districts With Greatest Need Program to the Alaska Department of Education for \$161,003 for continuation funds for the next two years. Safe and Drug-Free Schools Program: To build on the foundation of the Greatest Needs grants awarded in 1997, 1998, and 1999 by

expanding and strengthening the District's Resolving Conflict Creatively Program (RCCP) K-12. This project has been funded at \$161,003.

Comprehensive School Reform Demonstration Program to the Alaska Department of Education for \$54,785 for the first year of a three-year project. Muldoon Elementary: To continue implementation of the First Steps literacy approach through a restructured school day, professional development in First Steps and in related strategies that support literacy, training to help parents support their children's literacy, and academic enrichment for students. This project has been funded at \$54,785.

RARE-T Project to the State Department of Health and Social Services for \$40,041 for a one-year project. Curriculum and Evaluation: To continue and expand the HIV/AIDS secondary peer education program. This project has been funded at \$25,000.

Alaska Children's Trust Grants: Two ASD programs submitted applications:

- Crossroads Pregnant and Parenting Teens Program: "Teen Parent Support," for \$21,813 for a one-year project: To provide follow-up, coordination, and support for high school completion, vocational preparation, post-secondary education, pregnancy prevention strategies, and social service support. This project was not funded.
- McLaughlin High School: "McLaughlin Mentoring Project," for \$23,775 for a one-year project: To provide mentoring for youth as they transition from the McLaughlin High School to the community. This project was not funded.

Disney Learning Partnership's "Creative Learning Communities" Grant Program: This initiative supports school-wide creative teaching approaches for elementary school children. Four ASD elementary schools submitted applications:

- Wonder Park Elementary: To enhance the educational experience of a K-6 cohort of students at Wonder Park through a year-round education calendar that offers shorter breaks from learning than is offered by the traditional calendar, and includes a Lifelong Learning Center for the school community. The budget is \$240,000 for a three-year project.
- Eagle River Elementary: To improve student motivation for learning by creating extended learning centers and by enriching classroom curriculum with inquiry learning, multisensory

learning, and strategies for multiple intelligences. The budget is \$167,421 for a three-year project.

- Mountain View Elementary: To ensure student success in school by implementing the "Success for All" comprehensive literacy program, enriched by training and cultural events for the staff and community. The budget is \$206,847 for a three-year project.
- Aquarian Charter School: To promote creative teaching strategies by enhancing and expanding the "Teaching Life Connections Project" already underway at Aquarian. The budget is \$242,950 for a three-year project.

Working at School Grant to the Alaska State Literacy Association, for \$451 to Wonder Park Elementary: To promote literacy and the cultivation of work and social skills. This project has been funded.

School-to-Work mini-grants to the School-to-Work Foundation for \$1,500 for each of four projects. Mirror Lake Middle School submitted four applications to produce career education videos for students.

1999-2000 Artists in Schools Program to Decker Art Services for \$2,000 for a nine-month project. Steller Secondary School: To provide an artist-in-residence in the next school year.

Experiential Learning to the Coca Cola Foundation for \$2,100. Wonder Park Elementary: To provide a sixth-grade class an opportunity to learn about Alaska's marine life and related careers at the Alaska SeaLife Center in Seward.

Middle School Drug Prevention and School Safety Program Coordinators Grant to the U.S. Department of Education for \$199,903 for the first year of a three-year project. Safe and Drug-Free Schools Program: To place full-time drug and violence prevention coordinators at Clark and Wendler Middle Schools. They will coordinate the implementation of the secondary RCCP program in these schools, and will help each school implement its objectives for creating safe and drug-free learning environments.

Youth-Directed Highway Safety Prevention Projects to the Alaska Highway Safety Prevention Agency for one-year continuation grant of \$78,686. Safe and Drug-Free Schools Program: To continue youth-directed highway safety prevention projects aimed at preventing teenage motor vehicle crashes associated with drinking and driving. This is the project's third year.

Peer Education Safety Training Center to the Alaska Highway Safety Planning Agency for \$120,920 for a two-year project. Safe and Drug-Free Schools Program: To continue and expand the Peer Education Safety Training Center's peer education activities for ASD elementary and secondary students. Emphasis is on Developmental Assets, stronger community collaborations, and youth-developed media messages.

Peer Educators Fair to the Alaska Highway Safety Prevention Agency for \$24,008. Safe and Drug-Free Schools Program: To conduct a youth-led peer educator fair in November 1999.

The Science, Math, Technology Alliance to the National Institute of Standards and Technology, for \$20,000 for a one-year project. Curriculum and Evaluation: To provide hands-on experiences in industry settings for a cohort of teachers, and to apply these experiences to science, math, and technology curriculum.

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