

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT

ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #177 (1999-2000)

January 18, 2000

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL SCHOOL NURSES'
DAY- JANUARY 26, 2000

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board adopt the attached resolution designating January 26, 2000 as National School Nurses' Day in the Anchorage School District.

PERTINENT FACTS:

January 26, 2000 is National School Nurses' Day. As such, it is the ideal time to honor the team of professional nurses who are an essential part of the Anchorage School District.

School nurses are prepared to assess and respond to health related emergencies and provide nursing care for students with chronic health conditions. Some of the student health complaints may be minor and others require skilled monitoring, assessment, planning intervention, and evaluation. Many students in our schools require special treatments and medications. It is a job like no other, filled with complex health care plans, assessment of communicable diseases, injuries and health counseling for those with tears.

School nurses provide health screening and supplement the essential educational programs, in addition to giving competent, compassionate care to our students. An undernourished student cannot concentrate well; health and medical problems may interfere with a student's ability to learn. School nurses work to promote positive health behaviors and the supports and services necessary for student success. School nurses work closely with parents in meeting the health needs of students.

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Attachment

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