

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #244 (1999-2000)
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TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: TEACHER RECEIVES \$10,000 TOYOTA TIME GRANT

PERTINENT FACTS:

Bobbi Jo Erb wanted to show Mirror Lake Middle School students that math really *is* useful outside the classroom. So, she devised the Math Career Video Project to help kids become excited and motivated students of mathematics.

Approximately 120 eighth-grade students will research, write, produce and edit video commercials that demonstrate the ways math is used everyday in various careers. Their creative efforts will be shown to all Mirror Lake students through the school news program. The best commercials will be posted on the school web site and shared with the other middle schools in the district.

This innovative idea, designed to capture the attention of middle school students, also captured the attention of the selection committee for the Toyota Investment in Mathematics Excellence (TIME) grant. This grant is open to any K-12 classroom teacher with three years of experience teaching math.

It is requested the School Board recognize Bobbi Jo Erb on her selection as a Toyota TIME \$10,000 grant recipient.

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