

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #284 (1999-2000)

May 22, 2000

TO: SCHOOL BOARD
FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
SUBJECT: CITYWIDE CLEAN-UP RECOGNITION

PERTINENT FACTS:

Every Spring in Anchorage marks the time that thousands of Anchorage School District students, their families and neighbors, gather at local schools to do something that has been put off all Winter. We're not talking about homework! These volunteers work far beyond school boundaries to fill one after another after another bright orange garbage bags with hundreds of pounds of trash. ASD schools are an integral part of the huge Anchorage Chamber of Commerce Citywide Clean-Up annual extravaganza.

On Saturday May 13 of this year, school-based efforts yielded 6,161 bags of garbage.

One member of each school's clean-up crew received a bicycle and helmet from the Chamber of Commerce and many PTA groups offered additional prizes. Gladys Wood Elementary and Kasuun Elementary were the leading schools and will receive trophies and in-school parties for collecting the greatest number of bags of garbage (over 650 bags from each school)! The real winner though is the community of Anchorage. Students from Girdwood to Peters Creek demonstrated once again this year that neighborhood pride results in a cleaner environment and a more attractive place to live.

It is requested that the School Board recognize Gladys Wood Principal Gene Janigo, clean-up coordinator Paul Bentley, and the entire school community at Gladys Wood Elementary for gathering 671 bags of garbage during Clean-Up Day. Gladys Wood Elementary collected the greatest number of bags in the District, and wins the award for schools with less than 550 students. This is the 11th consecutive year that Gladys Wood has won this award.

It is further requested that the School Board recognize Kasuun Elementary Principal Colleen Stevens, clean-up coordinator Janine Redding, and the Kasuun School Community for gathering 651 bags of garbage. Kasuun wins the award for the category of schools with more than 550 students.

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