

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #12 (2000-2001)

August 14, 2000

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND EARLY  
DEVELOPMENT FY 2002 GRANT APPLICATIONS

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board approve and authorize the Superintendent to submit the following prioritized list of 2000 bond projects to the State of Alaska, Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) by September 1, 2000 for the FY 2002 Capital Improvement Project grants program.

1. Service High School Phase 1
2. N.A. (Wendler Middle School previously submitted in FY01)
3. Denali Elementary Replacement School
4. Districtwide Renewal/Replacement/Code Requirements
5. Chugiak High School Phases 2 and 3
6. Districtwide Roof Replacement and Repairs
7. East High School Phase 1
8. Bartlett High School Phase 1
9. Electrical Upgrades (to support technology)
10. Traffic Safety Upgrades
11. Girdwood K-8 School Roof Replacement and Misc. Upgrades

PERTINENT FACTS:

The District has not received grant funding through the DEED Capital Improvement Project (CIP) grants program in many years. In FY01 the District submitted a grant application for just one project, Wendler Middle School Renovation. This was the only remaining grant project from previous DEED applications which had not yet been funded. It was evaluated by DEED and was an approved project for the FY 01 School Construction Grant list.

The community has supported the District's needs over the last several years with general obligation bond funding. District staff resources last year were utilized to provide good scoping documents to assist the District in projecting accurate costs to support the 2000 bond projects to the community.

Last year, in the Legislative session there was discussion of funding all or some of the projects on the Major Maintenance Grant Fund list. This did not occur; though, there is the possibility of a reoccurrence of this discussion in the next session. The District needs to submit a substantial number of FY02 grant projects to maximize our funding advantage.

House Bill 281 from last year's Legislative session provides funding for further school construction for Anchorage in the amount of \$77,897,000. There is language in the legislation which requires that the projects be approved by DEED prior to a Municipal bond election. Technical language adjustment by legislative action will be needed to allow the District to access those funds for previously approved projects by the qualified voters of Anchorage.

Having approved projects on both the School Construction and Major Maintenance Grant Funds list will provide the District flexibility depending upon the results of the next legislative session.

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