

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #51 (2000-2001)

September 11, 2000

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD: ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
COUNSELING - CREATING SUCCESSFUL FUTURES

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board authorize the Superintendent to accept a grant from the U.S. Department of Education Safe and Drug Free Schools Office to provide counseling services that focus on prevention and early intervention for elementary service in the amount of \$335,608.

PERTINENT FACTS:

The ASD Elementary Education Department applied for a grant from the U.S. Department of Education's Safe and Drug Free Schools program for an innovative and promising approach to counseling programs in our elementary schools. This is a three year project and 2000-2001 will be the first of the three years. The first tier of this two-tiered initiative will provide counselors for two elementary schools that currently do not have counselors. These counselors will develop an exemplary counseling program along with a school-wide discipline plan at each site. The second tier establishes a counseling program that intervenes with high-risk behavior on the part of identified elementary students that will help students learn and apply positive behavioral choices in the regular school setting. Williwaw Elementary has been identified as the site to house this program. Referrals from elementary schools throughout the District will be considered with a target of 100-120 kindergarten, first, second and third grade students being served throughout the school year. The project will also provide professional development for school counselors, instructional staff and parents to support prevention and intervention strategies.

This grant does not include a cash match. In-kind components will consist primarily of regular District staffing and supplies.

FY 2000-2001 Budget Summary:

Personnel	\$ 195,404
Fringe Benefits	\$ 58,318
Travel	\$ 2,836
Equipment	\$ 13,200
Supplies	\$ 17,460
Contractual	\$ 16,607
Other	\$ 21,005
Indirect Costs	\$ 8,640
Training Stipends	\$ <u>2,138</u>
Total	\$ <u><u>335,608</u></u>

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