

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #185 (2000-2001)

February 12, 2001

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: CREEKSIDE PARK ELEMENTARY RECEIVES \$5,000 AWARD

PERTINENT FACTS:

The students and staff at Creekside Park Elementary will be a bit richer this year thanks to the efforts of a concerned parent.

Last year parent Vicki Thompson entered the Fred Meyer/Rubbermaid "Cash for Class" essay contest which encouraged entrants to write, in 100 words or less, one idea of how their school could use some extra funds. Her suggestion was to purchase special books geared to lower reading levels and distribute them to approximately 300 emergent readers enrolled at Creekside Park. Her essay read in part, "These books aren't readily available to purchase or borrow. They would assist parents' involvement in the educational process and motivate children to read for fun."

Last December Creekside Park principal Dave Combs received word that this essay was one of three chosen for the \$5,000 grant. It is requested the School Board recognize Vicki Thompson whose award-winning essay will result in greater learning opportunities for students.

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