

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #245 (2000-2001)

March 19, 2001

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: REINSTATEMENT OF HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES BUSES

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board approve reinstating varsity busing for high school sports for the remainder of the 2000-2001 school year. The cost would be \$23,840 to pay for buses for the soccer and track and field seasons.

PERTINENT FACTS:

The six large high schools were surveyed as to the number of buses they would need to restore varsity busing for sports for the remainder of the school year. There are two and a half sports to complete by the end of the year. The regular season of wrestling will end with the region tournament March 30-31, 2001. Soccer and track & field begin on March 12, 2001, with the first varsity game for soccer scheduled for April 2, 2001, and track and field, April 10, 2001.

Wrestling	Bartlett 4	Chugiak 6	Dimond 4	East 5	Service 4	West 5
Track & Field	13	18	8	10	12	10
Soccer	14	20	10	17	11	9

Bus needs per school vary and are based on several factors:

- number of bus trips remaining in the school's account to date
- destinations and duration of individual trips
- number of team members to be transported

To establish a cost to reinstate varsity busing, the average time per trip (approximately 4 hours) was multiplied (**177 buses x \$160 per trip**) to achieve a total of **\$28,320**.

Because of spring break, the brief time left for wrestling, and the ten school days advance notice required for ordering buses, it is recommended that we begin varsity buses with the soccer and track & field seasons. We would actually only need **149 buses** for a cost total of **\$23,840**.

Either of these additional costs could be covered by prior year encumbered funds.

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