

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM # 285 (2000-2001)

April 30, 2001

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACT: ALASKA INITIATIVE FOR
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board approve and authorize the Superintendent to accept a contract agreement from the Association of Alaska School Boards in the amount of \$325,999.

PERTINENT FACTS:

The United States Congress has earmarked \$2,000,000 for the Association of Alaska School Boards (AASB) for The Alaska Initiative for Community Engagement (AK ICE). This project will "provide Alaskans, at the local level, the information, tools and assistance to become intentionally engaged in the shared responsibility for educating children and youth." This will be accomplished "through an integrated, four-component approach utilizing the Developmental Asset framework." AK ICE will "provide 1) training and technical assistance to communities and school districts, 2) materials and resources to use media to increase the community support of teenagers, 3) coordination for Alaska's already diverse community based efforts, and 4) materials and resources that engage each of these sectors in the intentional increase in the number of Developmental Assets in the youth they influence."

The AASB will partner with the Anchorage School District Safe and Drug-Free Schools to further school efforts to increase Developmental Assets. Through this two-year contractual agreement, ASD/SDFS will:

- hire a .5 FTE certificated teacher to work with neighborhood and ethnic communities; train community members to be trainers for the Asset

framework, and assist in the translation of Asset materials into major non-English languages;

- hire a 1.0 FTE certificated teacher to work with local youth in developing multiple methods to assess and increase the number of Assets in themselves and their peers;
- work with a select number of schools annually to develop and implement their own Asset-based effort. Schools will be given funds to assist in this project;
- and conduct two local conferences highlighting school, community and youth Asset building efforts; with a focus on their effect on student achievement.

The contract does not include release time.

Budget Summary: Two Years

Salaries and Benefits	\$161,012
Contracted Services	72,500
Added Duty	85,487
New Equipment	<u>7,000</u>
 TOTAL	 \$325,999

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