

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #37 (2001-2002)

September 10, 2001

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: FIRST WEEK OF SCHOOL ENROLLMENT UPDATE

PERTINENT FACTS:

Enrollment figures for the first three days of the 2001-2002 school year exceeded the prior year's figures by an average of 217. The total membership on the third day of school, September 6, 2001, was 48,969 which is a gain of 288 students from the third day total in 2000. Kindergarten enrollment figures are based on the number of activations to date since Kindergarten students do not start classes until September 10, 2001.

It is estimated from historical trends that the total membership will grow to approximately 49,900 by September 30, 2001. If the active enrollment reaches 49,900 by September 30, that total would be the largest membership in the history of the Anchorage School District, exceeding the previous high year (2000-2001) by 380.

Enrollments in the schools have reached over 98 percent of what can be expected by the official membership date of September 30. Elementary, Middle and High School staffing adjustments are being made based upon the actual enrollments in each school.

The increase in membership this year continues the trend observed last school year. Preliminary analysis indicates that most of the increase in population over last year has occurred in the middle school grades.

Table 1 compares the third day enrollment by category for this school year to the third day figures from last year.

Table 1
Comparison of Third Day Enrollment 2000-2001 vs. 2001-2002

Category	3 rd Day 2000	3 rd Day 2001	Difference
Kindergarten – Full	2,754	3,258	504
Kindergarten – Half	568	72	-496
<i>Sub-Total Kindergarten</i>	<i>3,322</i>	<i>3,330</i>	<i>8</i>
Elementary Gr. 1-8	23,228	23,209	-19
<i>Sub-Total Elementary</i>	<i>26,550</i>	<i>26,539</i>	<i>-11</i>
Middle Schools Gr. 6-8	7,378	7,560	182
Senior High Schools	12,187	12,384	197
Other Secondary Gr. 7-12	1,631	1,453	-178
<i>Sub-Total Secondary</i>	<i>21,196</i>	<i>21,397</i>	<i>201</i>
Pre-Elementary, Level 3 Spec. Ed., Special Services	1,034	1,045	11
TOTAL	48,780	48,981	201

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