

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #198 (2001-2002)

February 11, 2002

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF CONTINUATION GRANT AWARD: TITLE I
DELINQUENT & AT-RISK YOUTH CONTINUATION GRANT
FOR THE 2001-2002 SCHOOL YEAR

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the Anchorage School Board approve and authorize the Superintendent to accept the Title I Delinquent & At-Risk Youth Continuation Grant for the 2001-2002 school year, for a total of \$99,345. This grant will fund continuation of a school year and summer transition classroom for middle school and high school youth referred by the Anchorage School District Child in Transition/Homeless Project, local homeless shelters, and Special Schools programs.

PERTINENT FACTS:

This project, first implemented in April 1996, has operated successfully for over five years with the support of annual competitive grant awards from the Title I Delinquent & At Risk Youth grant. The project has facilitated re-entry into school for homeless or neglected youth by providing them with individualized programs of study and helping them phase into regular or alternative school programs. These are students who otherwise would be unlikely to complete school. Long term objectives for these students are completion of high school and transition to productive adult lives.

This grant was initially developed by collaborations among staff at West High School, AVAIL, McLaughlin, Title I, Special Schools; and agencies, residential centers, and shelters serving youth who traditionally face challenges in successfully re-entering and completing school. Ongoing discussions among these groups have helped to modify the program through the years.

Grant funds provide a transition classroom teacher and part-time tutor; added duty/days for teachers; two days of release time for teacher absences; activity/field trips for students; travel funds to support staff members' participation in the National Title I Conference; cell phone costs; and teaching supplies for the program. The grant does not require a cash match from the Anchorage School District. In-kind support includes coordination by Title I, McLaughlin, and AVAIL administrators, and CIT/H project staff.

Budget Summary:

Certificated Salaries	\$51,642
Non-certificated Salaries	16,200
Employee Benefits	14,521
Student Travel	3,300
Staff Travel	4,300
Utility Services: Telephone	300
Teaching Supplies	5,500
Indirect Costs	<u>3,582</u>
TOTAL	\$99,345

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