

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #234 (2001-2002)

April 15, 2002

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: REVISION TO POLICY 343.41 GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS
(SECOND READING)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board approve on Second Reading, the proposed changes to School Board Policy 343.41, Graduation Requirements, as shown on Attachment A.

PERTINENT FACTS:

On December 10, 2001, the School Board unanimously approved the addition of a one semester course in Alaska Studies beginning with the Class of 2006 (ASD Memorandum #133 (2001-2002)). This course was approved for juniors and seniors, and would replace one of the elective choices within the existing social studies requirements. Students will be allowed to select one elective semester course from the area studies, geography, history, or the social sciences to fulfill their final .5 credit social studies requirement.

The School Board Policy Subcommittee reviewed the current Policy 343.41 and made the proposed revisions shown on Attachment A in order to bring the Policy into compliance with the Board-approved course change.

In addition, the effective date for the requirement to pass all three sections of the High School Graduation Qualifying Exam was changed from 2002 to 2004 during the last legislative session. This proposed change brings the Policy into compliance with that change in the statute.

The School Board unanimously approved this policy change on First Reading on April 1, 2002.

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Attachment

Prepared/Approved by: Carol Comeau, Superintendent