

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #33 (2002-2003)

August 26, 2002

TO: SCHOOL BOARD  
FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT  
SUBJECT: EARLY ENTRY STUDENTS

PERTINENT FACTS:

Beginning July 2, 2002, districts enrolling students under AS 14.03.080(c) must meet the following criteria:

- 1) The governing body of the school district must develop, adopt, and utilize maximum standards to evaluate students on an individual basis that demonstrates that the student has the mental, physical, and emotional capacity to perform satisfactorily at the grade level the student is being allowed to enter early.
- 2) The governing body of the school district must approve early entry of a student on an individual basis; and
- 3) Documentation on each early entry student's capacity to meet the standards for early entry will be maintained and available to the Department (Department of Education and Early Development).

While our District procedures are in compliance with state statutes, students who qualify for early entry under District procedure must now be approved by the School Board.

Anchorage School District early entry procedures allow for early entry evaluation on an individual basis for children born during a window of time after the start date for entry, August 15 of the year in which the child turns five years of age. The window of time ends at midnight on September 14 of the year in which the child turns five years of age. Children born after September 14 of the year in which they turn five years of age are not eligible for early entry to kindergarten. Early entry candidates must meet intellectual and physical

