

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #60 (2002-2003)

September 23, 2002

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: ENROLLMENT STATUS UPDATE FOR FY 2002-2003

PERTINENT FACTS:

Enrollment figures as of September 16, 2002, the tenth day of school, indicate that the Anchorage School District has exceeded the September 30, 2001 actual membership by 372 students. The September 16, 2002 total of 50,048 students is the largest active enrollment in the history of the Anchorage School District.

Table 1 compares the September 16, 2002 enrollment by category for this school year to the comparable figures of September 30, 2001.

TABLE 1
Comparison of
9/30/2001 Membership vs. 9/16/2002 Membership

Category	09/30/2001	9/16/2002	Difference
Elementary Schools Kindergarten	3,499	3,561	62
Elementary Schools Grades 1-8	23,437	23,036	-401
Middle Schools	7,579	7,760	181
Senior High Schools	12,557	12,916	359
Other Secondary Schools and Programs	1,539	1,600	61
Pre-Elementary, Level 3 Spec. Ed., and Special Services	<u>1,065</u>	<u>1,175</u>	<u>110</u>
Total	49,676	50,048	372

Table 1 shows that the largest increases this school year were in the Middle School and Senior High School programs. These categories were projected for increases this school year, and the actual increases were larger than expected. Increases in these areas are expected to continue through 2006.

It is estimated that the 50,048 enrollment observed on September 16, 2002 could increase to 50,100 by the end of the month. This estimate is based upon comparable historical data for the past five years.

TABLE 2
September 16, 2002 Enrollment and
Projections for September 30, 2002

Programs	Actual 9/16/2002	Original Fall Projections (Oct 2001)	Fall Budget Projections (Nov 2001)	CIP 2002-2008 Projections (March 2002)
Elementary Schools Kindergarten	3,561	3,501	3,501	3,510
Elementary Schools Grades 1-8	23,036	23,099	23,164	23,118
Middle Schools	7,760	7,620	7,620	7,620
Senior High Schools	12,916	12,895	12,895	12,895
Other Secondary Schools and Programs	1,600	1,622	1,622	1,622
Pre-Elementary, Level 3 Sp. Ed., and Spec. Svcs	<u>1,175</u>	<u>1,185</u>	<u>1,185</u>	<u>1,185</u>
Total	50,048	49,922	49,987	49,950

Table 2 compares the September 16, 2002 enrollment by category to the fall projections for September 30, 2002. The fall budget projections include the additional students to Village Charter which were authorized by the School Board last school year, ASD Memorandum #137 (2001-2002). The CIP 2002-2008 projections are an update to the original projections, and include the additional students to Village Charter.

To review the detailed membership for each school, please refer to Attachment A.

Attachment

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