

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #108 (2002-2003)

November 11, 2002

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: STATUS REPORT: SUBMISSION OF DISCRETIONARY  
GRANTS, FIRST QUARTER 2002-2003 SCHOOL YEAR

PERTINENT FACTS:

The purpose of this report is to inform the School Board on a quarterly basis of new grants that have been submitted for funding.

Anchorage School District Community Learning Centers; to the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, for \$2,499,007 for a five-year project. ASD Community Education: To establish five new school-based Community Learning Centers providing safe, drug-free, and academically enriching out-of-school programs. These expand the District's 21st Century Community Learning Centers model, which currently serves seventeen schools. Programs include expanded learning, recreational, and supportive opportunities for high-needs elementary students, and related educational opportunities for parents. Proposed new sites are Government Hill, Mt. View, Northwood, Taku, and Willow Crest. Project goals are to increase student academic achievement; develop positive attitudes, skills, and behaviors; support student success through community partnerships and components that strengthen families; and sustain the Community Learning Centers beyond the duration of the grant.

K-12 School-Based Learn and Serve Grants; to the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, Alaska State Community Service Commission. Two elementary schools have applied for this competition to implement, operate or expand school-based service learning programs:

College Gate for \$3,500: To produce a bibliography of books, activities, and discussion questions for fourth grade students. The objective is to learn what it means to be an American citizen, and how to become active in one's community. The project includes community service projects devised by students.

Ravenwood for \$1,500 for one year: To continue the riparian habitat restoration project initiated in 1996 at the Eagle River Campground. Fourth and eighth grade students, school staff and adult volunteers, including parents and community professionals, will work together to restore a 500-foot section of the riverbank.

Technology Literacy Challenge Grant; to the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, for \$16,912 for a one-month project. Instructional Technology: To support professional development for the deployment of 579 iBooks to elementary teachers. Teachers receiving iBooks access online staff development through this school year. This project has been funded.

McKinney Homeless Assistance Act, Education for Homeless Children and Youth Program Grant; to the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, for \$61,418 for a one-year project. Title I Program Child in Transition/Homeless Project: To facilitate the enrollment, attendance, retention, and educational success of homeless children and youth, grades PK-12. This ongoing project provides academic support and enrichment; school supplies; and cohesion for family, school and community partnerships. The project also builds awareness of homelessness and its impact on children and youth.

Title I Neglected and Delinquent Grant; to the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, for \$129,623 for a one-year project. Title I Program: To provide educational and job services for youth transitioning from detention units at McLaughlin Youth Center and other alternative settings. Services include: on-campus and off-campus transition classrooms; assistance for youth to obtain and keep employment; educational services for homeless youth who have been institutionalized or are at high risk of delinquency; and support within schools for students returning from corrections and other alternative settings.

McLaughlin WIA/In-School Youth Program; to the Municipality of Anchorage, Workforce Development Division, Planning Department, for \$58,492 for a one-year project. McLaughlin Secondary School: To provide vocational assessment, pre-employment skills, and occupational skills training for 30 youth at McLaughlin School in the spring semester of 2003.

School Renovation Grant; to the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, for \$26,007 for a one-year project. Aquarian Charter School: To provide cabling and equipment for Aquarian's computer infrastructure. Grant funds will be used to purchase hardware and wiring to upgrade the

Local Area Network, and to purchase computer and audio-visual equipment to fully integrate computers and technology into the school day.

### Mini grants

#### SHOPA Foundation for Education Excellence Kids in Need Teacher Grant:

**Bilingual Education:** *Tactile Activities Translated into Writing Experiences and New Talents*. Submitted for \$403.

### Partnership Grants

The MetLife Foundation Youth-City Connection; to the National League of Cities, for technical assistance. Municipality of Anchorage, in partnership with the Anchorage School District, Bridge Builders of Anchorage, United Way of Anchorage, and Anchorage Youth Court: To develop and implement a community plan to involve youth from diverse backgrounds in local government.

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