

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #118 (2002-2003)

November 25, 2002

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: END-OF-MONTH MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY FOR  
OCTOBER 31, 2002

PERTINENT FACTS:

The end-of-month membership report for October 31, 2002 is attached (Attachment A). The total active enrollment at the end of October was 49,705. This enrollment represents an increase of 162 students when compared to the October 31, 2001 total of 49,543. Table 1 compares the membership totals.

**TABLE 1**  
**Comparison of**  
**10/31/2001 Membership vs. 10/31/2002 Membership**

<u>Category</u>	<u>10/31/2001</u>	<u>10/31/2002</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Elementary Schools	26,912	26,516	-396
Middle Schools	7,566	7,723	157
Senior High Schools	12,328	12,687	359
Other Secondary Schools and Programs	1,547	1,609	62
Pre-Elementary, Level 3 Spec. Ed., and Special Services	1,190	1,170	-20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>49,543</b>	<b>49,705</b>	<b>162</b>

The October 31, 2002 total of 49,705 was 324 less than the beginning of the year (September 30, 2002) total of 50,029. For the same time period during the 2001-2002 school year, membership declined by 133 students.

At the end of October 2002, there were six schools at, or exceeding, 120 percent of DEED capacity as reported in Attachment B. Ptarmigan Elementary School is over 130percent of DEED capacity when the 50 Ptarmigan kindergarten students currently housed at Chester Valley are included in their membership total.

In addition to the schools listed in Attachment B, there are three "Other Secondary" schools and one K-12 school (Benson, SAVE, Polaris K-12, SAVE I, and Steller) with enrollment exceeding DEED capacity by more than 120 percent, as reported in the monthly membership report (Attachment A). These schools have instructional programs configured to accommodate their students at varying times and in various ways. Some have enrollment driven by lottery, and others have school attendance in shifts. However, they are not generally considered overcrowded at this time. There is a major renovation and addition planned for Polaris K-12, but this is intended to meet program requirements of the school more than to accommodate current enrollment.

DEED capacities are included as Attachment C. The DEED capacities are calculated using the formula determined by the Alaska Department of Early Education and Development.

Attachments

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