

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #166 (2002-2003)

January 27, 2003

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: END-OF-MONTH MEMBERSHIP SUMMARY FOR DECEMBER
2002

PERTINENT FACTS:

The end-of-month membership report for December 20, 2002 is attached (Attachment A). The total active enrollment at the end of December was 49,215. This represents a decrease of 15 students when compared to the December 21, 2001 total of 49,230. Table 1 compares the membership totals.

TABLE 1
Comparison of
12/21/2001 Membership vs. 12/20/2002 Membership

<u>Category</u>	<u>12/21/2001</u>	<u>12/20/2002</u>	<u>Difference</u>
Elementary Schools	26,991	26,554	-437
Middle Schools	7,533	7,683	150
Senior High Schools	11,951	12,196	245
Other Secondary Schools and Programs	1,515	1,567	52
Pre-Elementary, Level 3 Spec. Ed., and Special Services	1,240	1,215	-25
TOTAL	49,230	49,215	-15

The December 20, 2002 total of 49,215 was 814 less than the beginning of the year (September 30, 2002) total of 50,029. For the same time period for the 2001-2002 school year, membership declined by 446.

At the end of December 2002, there were five schools at, or exceeding, 120% of EED capacity as reported in Attachment B. Ptarmigan Elementary School is at 133% of EED capacity when the 50 Ptarmigan Elementary School kindergarten students currently housed at Chester Valley Elementary School are included in the 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 EED capacity by more than 120%, 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. In addition, there is a major renovation and addition planned for Polaris K-12 School.

EED/ASD capacity comparisons are included as Attachment C. The EED capacities are calculated using the formula determined by the Alaska Department of Early Education and Development.

Attachments

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