

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #204 (2002-2003)

March 3, 2003

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: REVISION OF SCHOOL BOARD POLICY SECTION 400:
STUDENTS AND STUDENT SERVICES (FIRST READING)

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board approve on First Reading, the proposed changes to School Board Policy 400-432, Students and Student Services. (Attachment A)

PERTINENT FACTS:

Many of the recommended changes to the Student Services section of the Policy Manual were made to clarify language and/or make the existing language more grammatically precise.

In section 420, Philosophy and Objectives of Student Personnel, a phrase was added to emphasize that schools help students achieve through both the academic and extra-curricular activities programs.

In section 431, Entrance Guidelines, language was added to emphasize that all students of school age who reside in the Anchorage School District are welcome to enroll in the District.

In section 431.11, Part-Time Students, a sentence was added to clarify that a student must be enrolled as a full-time equivalent student in order to participate in extracurricular activities.

In section 431.2, Non-resident Students, section language was added to better define a "non-resident" student.

In section 431.21, Policy Regarding Acceptance, the paragraph was rewritten to be more grammatically correct and to delineate that a student paying tuition may be accepted into a school provided there is sufficient space, capacity, and enough teachers at that school.

In section 431.3, Physical Examinations, language was added to be consistent with state statute on this issue and to clarify that the requirement for a physical examination applies to any student entering a public school for the first time.

Later in the 431.3 section, language was added to indicate that a parent and/or guardian would be advised of any health problems identified in a health screening done by the District.

In section 431.32, Tuberculosis Screening Examination, language was added to indicate that a tuberculosis screening shall be administered within 90 days of enrollment for every student who enrolls in the District for the first time, unless exempted by state regulation.

The School Board Policy Subcommittee reviewed the proposed changes at their meeting on January 23, 2003, and agreed to forward the proposed policy changes to the full School Board for approval.

Attachment

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