

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #212 (2003-2004)

April 12, 2004

TO: SCHOOL BOARD
FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT
SUBJECT: GOOD SAMARITANS

PERTINENT FACTS:

In January, nine Polaris K-12 students, a teacher and a parent came to the aid of Girdwood resident Tina Carlisle and her 5-year old daughter after they were involved in a vehicle accident on the Seward Highway.

Polaris students and staff were returning from a trip to Alyeska when they came upon the rolled over van which had encountered ice and hit a snow berm. The students, staff and parent acted quickly and responsibly and came to the aid of Mrs. Carlisle and her daughter. They immediately tapped on the van window, helped both mother and daughter out of the van, set up flares and contacted the state troopers.

While waiting for the authorities to arrive the Polaris students tried to calm the 5-year old by telling her skiing and snowboarding stories in their warm vehicle.

The actions of these students and adults show their sincere concern for the well-being of others and ability to act responsibly during a crisis.

It is requested the School Board recognize Polaris students Marisa Jaso, Kaeli Casita, Kari Miranda, Zachary Zoet, Robert Semans, William Marsh, Sarah Sterley, Sarah McKeever, and Sean Brewer, teacher Bill Jaso and parent Alison Sterley, for their prompt and effective response to this situation.

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