

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL BOARD APPOINTMENT APPLICATION

Name of Applicant: William P. H. Nye Date: 01/27/2009

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Occupation: Alaska Railroad Brakeman and ASD Substitute Teacher

Seat Applicant is Applying For: Seat B (Applicant must be at least 18 years of age and a registered voter in the Municipality of Anchorage.)

Have you ever been convicted of, admitted committing, or are you awaiting trial for any crime involving moral turpitude? (PTPC Reg. 20 AAC 10.030)

Yes  No If you answered yes, please attach written explanation.

Attachments to this application should include:

- resume
- statement of reasons why the applicant wishes to be a member of the Board
- other information deemed pertinent by applicant

Note: Within 30 days of taking office, the successful applicant will be required to submit a Conflict of Interest form as required by APOC.

Applications should be mailed to: Office of the Superintendent  
Anchorage School District  
5530 E. Northern Lights Blvd.  
Anchorage, AK 99504-3135

Or hand-delivered to: 5530 E. Northern Lights Blvd.

Deadline for applications: All applications need to be received in the Superintendent's office by 5 p.m. on Friday, February 6, 2009.

The School Board will make the appointment during a Special Meeting, convening Saturday, February 14, 2009 at 1:30 p.m.

Signature: William P. Nye

01/27/2009

Dear Anchorage School Board,

I had been toying with the idea of running for school board for about a year now and the current vacancy is a golden opportunity. As a substitute teacher, I spend a great deal of time in the classroom dealing with students and teachers. This experience when combined with my B.A. of History and my former enrollment in the M.A.T. program at UAA gives me a great deal of insight into the theoretical issues of education, the lingo, and the demands of classroom management.

My experience is not solely limited to academia however. I have worked a myriad of blue collar jobs, such as automotive technician and seiner deckhand and most recently, Alaska Railroad Brakeman. My time spent outside the classroom helps to keep me in perspective and to remember what qualities and skills we must give our students so that they can prosper whether they go to on to college, apprentice to a trade, or immediately join the workforce.

Since graduating from high school, I have travelled most of the U.S., through western Canada, and most of Western Europe. My travels eventually brought me from the Pacific Northwest to Alaska, which has been my home for four years. These sojourns have broadened my mind; politically, philosophically, and socially. I believe this sort of broadmindedness must be encouraged among our youth if they are to be responsible, aware, and active citizens in our global community.

In short, my life history qualifies me for this position and has given me the burning desire to make the coming generations better prepared, more aware, better educated, and more responsible than those that came before.

Thank you for your consideration,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William P. Gray". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

# WILLIAM P. H. NYE

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## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

BRAKEMAN MAY 08-NOW  
*Alaska Railroad*

The brakeman is a conductor's assistant and works in the yard and on the road building, breaking apart, and transporting trains. The job requires a tremendous degree of flexibility, punctuality, memorization, social skills, and hands on work in all kinds of weather.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER AUG 07-NOW  
*Anchorage School District*

I work throughout the Municipality of Anchorage at the Middle and High School levels, primarily in social studies classes but have also with Special Needs students, math and science classes, language arts and even those in In-School Suspension.

SERVER SEP 06-JUNE 07  
*Café Amsterdam*

Started in an assistant/hosting position doing sidework, seating patrons, walking fluids, delivering food, and was promoted to being a full server. I took orders, delivered drinks, tabulated checks, answered questions, and closed the dining room area of the restaurant.

MUSIC SELLER JAN 06-FEB 07  
*Barnes and Noble Anchorage*

Performed opening and closing duties, helped customers locate CDs and DVDs, recommended and up-sold CDs and DVDs, rang up customer purchases, called customers to notify them of their orders' status, cleaned and organized the music department, and assisted in the bookstore and café when needed.

LUBRICANTS TECHNICIAN JUNE 00-AUG05  
*Royal Moore Nissan/Subaru*

Performed lube, oil, and filter changes, alternator replacements, battery checks and installations, rotated and balanced tires, performed vehicle inspections and test drove cars, stocked the new car inventory, assisted in performing the parts department inventory, assembled the bulk mail for advertising, explained technical automotive information to customers, performed shop cleanup, shuttled service customers, and assisted technicians when needed.

STUDENT CALLER OCT 03-DEC 04  
*Telephone Outreach Program (TOP) at the University of Portland*

Called parents of current university students, alumni, and friends of the University and raised funds for student scholarships. Was promoted at the end of 03/04 school year to TOP Mentor which entails managing 6 callers and guiding them in the best calling practices. Was the program's second best caller in terms of calls made and money raised.

## EDUCATION

MASTERS OF ARTS IN TEACHING (MAT) <i>University of Alaska Anchorage</i>	PARTIALLY COMPLETED
BA IN HISTORY, 3.85 GPA MAGNA CUM LAUDE <i>University of Alaska Anchorage</i>	GRADUATED MAY 07
DEAN'S LIST, 3.6 GPA <i>Cornell University and Ithaca College</i>	JAN-MAY 2005
DEAN'S LIST, 3.67 GPA <i>University of Portland</i>	Aug 2003-Dec 2004
DIPLOMA <i>Hillsboro High School</i>	1999-2003

Honors and AP classes all years, achieved a cumulative GPA of 3.83, was on the school science bowl team and the High 5 Challenge team, received a Certificate of Initial Mastery, was News Editor for the school paper, received an Academic Achievement Scholarship, and completed the Honors Program.

## QUALIFICATIONS

- X Team Player, gets along well with others.
- X Computer literate in PC format.
- X 8 years of customer service experience.
- X No physical limitations.
- X Capable of managing 35 seventh graders for extended time periods
- X Boy Scouts of America—7 years
- X US Naval Sea Cadets—2 years
- X Hillsboro 4H Rifle Club—4 years

## INTERESTS AND ACTIVITIES

- X Classical Guitar, intermediate level
- X Traveling, I have been to over 30 states, to Europe twice, and 3 Canadian provinces
- X Good food and good drink, beer especially, brewing it is even better
- X Studying history
- X Motorcycles
- X Music, I collect records and have over 30 gigs of music on my computer
- X Hiking and Camping
- X Historical reenactment and research

## REFERENCES

- X Pat Henry—Park Ranger, Fields Spring State Park (509) 256-3332
- X Bill Myers—History Professor, University of Alaska Anchorage (907) 202-4381
- X Scott Thompson—Senior Subaru Technician, Royal Moore Nissan/Subaru, Owner, Christmas tree farm (503) 640-5660