

Middle School Language Arts

Curriculum Committee

September 30, 2004

Location: 6th & K Conference Room

3:45 PM- 5:15 PM

Our purpose as leaders in the language arts curriculum is to provide leadership and support in our schools for Anchorage School District goals.

- 1. Increasing achievement for all students**
- 2. Supporting effective learning environments**
- 3. Accomplishing increased public accountability**

Middle School...

- **Align and articulate LA academic program**
- **Support computerized remediation programs, i.e. Fast ForWord and Plato**
- **Support reading curriculum pilot i.e. Bridges**
- **Support the development of standards-based report card**

Refreshments, Materials Preview, and Catching up With Colleagues

Welcome Everyone!

*** Introductions**

*** Agenda Approval**

Continuing Business

✓ **Announcing! Language Arts Performance Standards and Grade Level Expectations, K-10 (Document to be shared with respective departments) Implications for Instruction and Student Success**

✓ **Middle School Supplemental Books Approved for Instruction (MSLACC 5/04)**

Current Business

✓ **Cross-Curricular High Five Reading Strategies**
Presentation by: Amy Goodman

To Be Addressed...

- ✓ **Plato /Parallel English 7 & 8**
- ✓ **LA Department Chair Duties and Responsibilities, Identification of LA staff @ school and survey of training needs**

In the Folder...

- X **Tech Grant Opportunity...(think about CD/DVD players for audio books, projection equip, etc.)**
- X **GLE's Reading and Writing, 7-10**
- X **MS Language Arts Supplemental Books Approved for Instruction**

Announcements...

- **Book Room Bargains!** (Vicki Patterson, Clark and Jessica Norton, Mears)
- **November 11th**
- **Alaska State Literacy Conference, October 14 - 17, Fairbanks**
- **National Council of Teachers of English, November 18-23 - Indianapolis**
- **Other...**

5:15 Adjournment