

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #37 (2004-2005)

September 13, 2004

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: WRIGHT GROUP EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION AWARD

PERTINENT FACTS:

Recently, Wright Group/McGraw-Hill honored the Anchorage School District, along with five other school districts in the nation, with its annual Excellence in Education Award. This award was presented to Sandy Schoff, Director of Mathematics, during the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics' annual conference in Philadelphia.

The Anchorage School District was the only major urban district in the United States that outperformed its state averages in both reading and math in all grades tested. It was noted that the district achieved impressive math scores using *Everyday Mathematics*. In 2003, 75% of the district's Grade 3 students scored in the advanced and proficient ranges. In Grade 6, almost 68% performed with similar success.

It is requested the School Board recognize the Anchorage School District's Mathematics Department for its dedication and commitment to teaching children to understand mathematics and for its successful implementation of *Everyday Mathematics*.

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