

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #111 (2004-2005)

November 15, 2004

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT AWARD: ALASKA RAILROAD
SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM 2005

RECOMMENDATION:

It is the Administration's recommendation that the School Board approve and authorize the Superintendent to accept grant funds from the Alaska Railroad Corporation for an ongoing program described in a current Memorandum of Agreement. This award for \$28,000 supports supervised summer employment for youth from the Martin Luther King, Jr., Career Center.

PERTINENT FACTS:

The Alaska Railroad Corporation (ARRC) and the Martin Luther King Jr., Career Center (KCC) collaborate on the Alaska Railroad Summer Youth Employment Program. This program provides on-the-job work experience and application of such curricular areas as Alaska history, cultures, geography, natural resources, flora, fauna, and tourism. ARRC furnishes facilities and resources for a meaningful summer work experience for high school students, primarily as tour guides on passenger trains and in ARRC offices. The experience prepares potential future ARRC employees who are trained in railroad operations and who are knowledgeable in Alaskan topics.

Grant funds will be used for KCC staff to provide specific tourism-related instruction to the program's selected students. Release time enables faculty to provide instruction for students on board the trains before tourist season begins.

Budget Summary:

Contract Addenda	\$18,799
Release Time	1,000
Fringe Benefits	2,711
Program Supplies	<u>5,490</u>
TOTAL	\$28,000

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