

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #133 (2004-2005)

December 13, 2004

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: 2004-2005 ETHNICITY REPORT

PERTINENT FACTS:

Today 44 percent of the students in the Anchorage School District are ethnically diverse, compared to 13 percent in 1976, nearly thirty years ago. Of today's ethnic minority population, the Alaska Native/American Indian (13 percent) category is the largest, followed by the Asian/Pacific Islander (11 percent), African American/Black (8 percent), and Hispanic (6 percent) groups. Since the 1995-96 school year the fastest growing ethnic population, percentage-wise, has been Asian/Pacific Islander, followed by Hispanic. The Asian/Pacific Islander ethnic group grew by 62 percent and the Hispanic ethnic group grew by 47 percent.

Since last school year, the ethnic minority student population has increased by three percent and the White student population has decreased by 2.5 percent. These changes are shown in the Historical Student Membership Composition graph (Chart 2). Looking at student numbers, the White student group decreased by 704 students this year, while the ethnic minority group increased by 625 students.

The largest numerical gain in an ethnic minority category this year, over last year, was "Other," which increased by 649 students. It should be noted that student ethnicity is self-identified. Students are given a list of ethnic categories, and they (or their parents/guardians) choose the category they feel is most appropriate. The "Other" category was established for those students identifying with more than one ethnic category, or for those students who are not comfortable choosing any of the given categories.

Chart 3 shows student ethnicity or race by Program Type. At 54 percent, Special Services has the largest population of ethnic minorities, followed by Elementary

Education at 46 percent. Ethnic minorities make up 43 percent of students in the Middle School program. The High School program has the smallest ethnic minority population at 39 percent, followed by Other Secondary at 42 percent. The ethnic minority populations at the secondary levels are expected to increase as elementary students move into these levels.

The steady increase in ethnic minority membership is a long-term trend. While White populations rise and fall with the economic climate, the ethnic minority populations continue to grow steadily. The ethnic minority population has increased by 7,003 students since 1995-96.

Since the 1999-2000 school year the proportion of ethnic minority students, to the overall student body, has increased by an average of nearly two percent per year. However, in 2003-04 and 2004-05 the increase in proportion was 1.14 and 1.33, respectively, signaling a slowing of the growth in proportion for the ethnic minority population.

If this trend continues, we would expect a change in the estimate of when the ethnic minority student population would meet, or exceed, fifty percent of the total student population. Instead of this occurring by the start of the 2006-07 school year it could be 2 - 3 years later.

The attached series of tables and graphs on District student ethnic composition represents membership numbers as of October 22, 2004.

#### Attachments

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Anchorage School District  
 Ethnicity Report  
 October 2004  
 Summary 1995 - 2004

<b>School Year</b>	<b>White</b>	<b>African American Or Black</b>	<b>Alaska Native Or American Indian</b>	<b>Asian Or Pacific Islander</b>	<b>Hispanic</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>Total Ethnic Minority</b>	<b>School Totals</b>
1995 - 1996	33,002 69%	4,089 9%	5,180 11%	3,331 7%	2,112 4%		14,712 31%	47,714
1996 - 1997	32,546 68%	4,182 9%	5,392 11%	3,558 7%	2,233 5%		15,365 32%	47,911
1997 - 1998	32,557 67%	4,234 9%	5,644 12%	3,819 8%	2,381 5%		16,078 33%	48,635
1998 - 1999	32,530 66%	4,336 9%	5,890 12%	4,299 9%	2,522 5%		17,047 34%	49,577
1999 - 2000	31,759 64%	4,263 9%	5,950 12%	4,460 9%	2,665 5%	197 0%	17,535 35%	49,294
2000 - 2001	30,886 62%	4,227 8%	6,177 12%	4,760 10%	2,754 6%	695 1%	18,613 37%	49,499
2001 - 2002	29,978 60%	4,234 9%	6,267 13%	5,038 10%	2,897 6%	1,241 3%	19,677 40%	49,655
2002 - 2003	29,157 59%	4,196 8%	6,366 13%	5,311 11%	3,041 6%	1,702 3%	20,616 42%	49,773
2003 - 2004	28,468 57%	4,057 8%	6,524 13%	5,335 11%	3,050 6%	2,124 4%	21,090 43%	49,558
2004 - 2005	27,764 56%	3,930 8%	6,520 13%	5,385 11%	3,107 6%	2,773 6%	21,715 44%	49,479

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<b>Change 2003 =&gt; 2004</b>	-704	-127	-4	50	57	649	625	-79
<b>Change 1995 =&gt; 2004</b>	-5,238	-159	1,340	2,054	995		7,003	1,765
<b>Percent Growth Last Ten Years</b>	-16%	-4%	26%	62%	47%		48%	4%

Note: Report does not include non-special education preschool students.

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 District Summary by Type of Program

Type of Program	White	African American Or Black	Alaska Native Or American Indian	Asian Or Pacific Islander	Hispanic	Other	Total Ethnic Minority	School Totals
ELEMENTARY TOTAL	14,015 54%	2,033 8%	3,581 14%	2,778 11%	1,752 7%	2,004 8%	12,148 46%	26,163
MIDDLE LEVEL TOTAL	4,326 57%	614 8%	1,000 13%	873 12%	453 6%	271 4%	3,211 43%	7,537
HIGH SCHOOL TOTAL	7,986 63%	1,037 8%	1,438 11%	1,576 12%	784 6%	375 3%	5,210 39%	13,196
OTHER SECONDARY TOTAL	1,200 58%	194 9%	351 17%	145 7%	103 5%	72 3%	865 42%	2,065
SPECIAL SERVICES TOTAL	237 46%	52 10%	150 29%	13 3%	15 3%	51 10%	281 54%	518
<b>DISTRICT TOTALS</b>	<b>27,764 56%</b>	<b>3,930 8%</b>	<b>6,520 13%</b>	<b>5,385 11%</b>	<b>3,107 6%</b>	<b>2,773 6%</b>	<b>21,715 44%</b>	<b>49,479</b>

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 Elementary Schools

School	White	African American Or Black	Alaska Native Or American Indian	Asian Or Pacific Islander	Hispanic	Other	Total Ethnic Minority	School Totals
100 ABBOTT LOOP	206 45%	51 11%	61 13%	54 12%	30 7%	55 12%	251 55%	457
110 AIRPORT HEIGHTS	89 37%	26 11%	62 26%	28 12%	10 4%	25 10%	151 63%	240
112 ALPENGLOW	356 79%	23 5%	19 4%	12 3%	16 4%	23 5%	93 21%	449
510 AQUARIAN CHARTER	168 62%	24 9%	24 9%	10 4%	22 8%	22 8%	102 38%	270
114 AURORA	257 70%	38 10%	3 1%	15 4%	18 5%	35 10%	109 30%	366
115 BAXTER	225 52%	41 10%	80 19%	35 8%	29 7%	19 4%	204 48%	429
116 BAYSHORE	387 67%	15 3%	26 4%	72 12%	28 5%	52 9%	193 33%	580
118 BEAR VALLEY	467 84%	8 1%	35 6%	17 3%	18 3%	12 2%	90 16%	557
120 BIRCHWOOD ABC	286 83%	5 1%	26 8%	12 3%	4 1%	13 4%	60 17%	346
125 BOWMAN WILLARD L	330 63%	27 5%	59 11%	43 8%	21 4%	40 8%	190 37%	520
130 CAMPBELL	219 49%	22 5%	87 19%	46 10%	35 8%	41 9%	231 51%	450

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140 CHESTER VALLEY	118 41%	41 14%	52 18%	33 12%	5 2%	36 13%	167 59%	285
150 CHINOOK	251 45%	44 8%	113 20%	91 16%	31 6%	31 6%	310 55%	561
160 CHUGACH OPTIONAL	192 78%	7 3%	24 10%	18 7%	3 1%	2 1%	54 22%	246
170 CHUGIAK	383 75%	3 1%	57 11%	13 3%	24 5%	32 6%	129 25%	512
174 COLLEGE GATE	173 48%	42 12%	48 13%	37 10%	22 6%	40 11%	189 52%	362
180 CREEKSIDE PARK	146 34%	67 16%	79 18%	51 12%	27 6%	60 14%	284 66%	430
190 DENALI	230 54%	56 13%	59 14%	33 8%	14 3%	33 8%	195 46%	425
200 EAGLE RIVER	256 73%	14 4%	40 11%	16 5%	16 5%	11 3%	97 27%	353
540 FAMILY PARTNERSHIP	169 77%	7 3%	20 9%	4 2%	6 3%	13 6%	50 23%	219
210 FAIRVIEW	29 7%	111 27%	74 18%	78 19%	48 12%	66 16%	377 93%	406
215 FIRE LAKE	209 73%	12 4%	26 9%	8 3%	10 3%	21 7%	77 27%	286

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545 FRONTIER ELE	102 80%	5 4%	12 9%	0 0%	5 4%	3 2%	25 20%	127
220 GIRDWOOD	136 81%	5 3%	6 4%	4 2%	10 6%	7 4%	32 19%	168
230 GOVERNMENT HILL	153 32%	38 8%	36 7%	14 3%	182 38%	61 13%	331 68%	484
235 HOMESTEAD	337 84%	9 2%	29 7%	9 2%	7 2%	10 2%	64 16%	401
237 HUFFMAN	348 81%	7 2%	22 5%	32 7%	11 3%	10 2%	82 19%	430
240 INLET VIEW	144 57%	12 5%	33 13%	31 12%	21 8%	10 4%	107 43%	251
242 KASUUN	259 55%	19 4%	64 14%	54 11%	37 8%	40 8%	214 45%	473
245 KLATT	158 41%	9 2%	64 17%	69 18%	60 16%	22 6%	224 59%	382
246 KINCAID	397 74%	7 1%	48 9%	29 5%	17 3%	41 8%	142 26%	539
248 LAKE HOOD	190 44%	31 7%	54 12%	92 21%	34 8%	34 8%	245 56%	435
250 LAKE OTIS	159 38%	37 9%	99 23%	48 11%	41 10%	39 9%	264 62%	423

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257 MT SPURR	256 78%	25 8%	4 1%	9 3%	21 6%	15 5%	74 22%	330
260 MOUNTAIN VIEW	47 13%	30 8%	84 24%	104 29%	51 14%	39 11%	308 87%	355
270 MULDOON	101 25%	54 13%	105 26%	88 22%	14 3%	41 10%	302 75%	403
280 NORTH STAR	123 26%	32 7%	116 25%	76 16%	83 18%	38 8%	345 74%	468
290 NORTHERN LIGHTS	377 61%	37 6%	41 7%	125 20%	19 3%	20 3%	242 39%	619
300 NORTHWOOD	157 46%	20 6%	62 18%	60 18%	8 2%	32 9%	182 54%	339
310 NUNAKA VALLEY	106 39%	33 12%	88 32%	7 3%	15 5%	25 9%	168 61%	274
315 OCEAN VIEW	380 68%	28 5%	74 13%	23 4%	33 6%	22 4%	180 32%	560
320 OMALLEY	268 76%	5 1%	31 9%	6 2%	13 4%	31 9%	86 24%	354
324 ORION	260 67%	48 12%	4 1%	6 2%	27 7%	41 11%	126 33%	386
450 POLARIS K-6	172 77%	8 4%	19 8%	11 5%	6 3%	8 4%	52 23%	224

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328 PTARMIGAN	117 29%	64 16%	102 26%	25 6%	52 13%	39 10%	282 71%	399
330 RABBIT CREEK	255 71%	17 5%	52 14%	6 2%	17 5%	14 4%	106 29%	361
335 RAVENWOOD	357 85%	1 0%	32 8%	11 3%	10 2%	11 3%	65 15%	422
340 ROGERS PARK	358 62%	30 5%	47 8%	83 14%	26 5%	30 5%	216 38%	574
345 RUSSIAN JACK	112 29%	77 20%	76 20%	59 15%	28 7%	37 10%	277 71%	389
350 SAND LAKE	368 59%	23 4%	73 12%	120 19%	14 2%	31 5%	261 41%	629
360 SCENIC PARK	240 51%	58 12%	66 14%	18 4%	25 5%	62 13%	229 49%	469
362 SPRING HILL	174 44%	16 4%	88 22%	59 15%	33 8%	23 6%	219 56%	393
364 SUSITNA	271 50%	56 10%	116 21%	36 7%	25 5%	38 7%	271 50%	542
365 TAKU	187 48%	33 9%	52 13%	40 10%	46 12%	30 8%	201 52%	388
363 TRAILSIDE	334 66%	20 4%	50 10%	44 9%	13 3%	47 9%	174 34%	508

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370 TUDOR	223 40%	50 9%	94 17%	75 14%	67 12%	46 8%	332 60%	555
380 TURNAGAIN	175 51%	12 4%	61 18%	43 13%	17 5%	33 10%	166 49%	341
384 TYSON WILLIAM	52 13%	40 10%	89 23%	177 46%	16 4%	15 4%	337 87%	389
386 URSA MAJOR	208 52%	93 23%	4 1%	9 2%	37 9%	52 13%	195 48%	403
388 URSA MINOR	125 52%	61 25%	5 2%	6 2%	25 10%	19 8%	116 48%	241
585 VILLAGE CHARTER	68 54%	14 11%	5 4%	8 6%	18 14%	12 10%	57 46%	125
390 WILLIWAW	74 13%	65 12%	140 25%	179 32%	59 10%	47 8%	490 87%	564
400 WILLOW CREST	164 39%	26 6%	97 23%	69 16%	36 8%	33 8%	261 61%	425
410 WONDER PARK	110 29%	66 17%	86 22%	52 14%	21 5%	48 13%	273 71%	383
418 WOOD GLADYS	267 55%	28 6%	77 16%	36 7%	15 3%	66 13%	222 45%	489
<b>TOTAL</b>	14,015 54%	2,033 8%	3,581 14%	2,778 11%	1,752 7%	2,004 8%	12,148 46%	26,163

Anchorage School District  
 Ethnicity Report  
 October 2004  
 Middle Schools

School	White	African American Or Black	Alaska Native Or American Indian	Asian Or Pacific Islander	Hispanic	Other	Total Ethnic Minority	School Totals
700 CENTRAL	347 47%	125 17%	72 10%	67 9%	68 9%	61 8%	393 53%	740
710 CLARK	177 21%	143 17%	184 21%	253 29%	65 8%	36 4%	681 79%	858
780 GOLDENVIEW	718 81%	25 3%	60 7%	34 4%	28 3%	17 2%	164 19%	882
730 GRUENING	488 84%	11 2%	38 7%	16 3%	12 2%	17 3%	94 16%	582
740 HANSHEW	540 54%	65 7%	170 17%	120 12%	76 8%	29 3%	460 46%	1000
750 MEARS	701 64%	42 4%	133 12%	142 13%	46 4%	31 3%	394 36%	1095
755 MIRROR LAKE	535 81%	14 2%	58 9%	15 2%	23 3%	13 2%	123 19%	658
760 ROMIG	388 47%	41 5%	141 17%	147 18%	79 10%	28 3%	436 53%	824
770 WENDLER	432 48%	148 16%	144 16%	79 9%	56 6%	39 4%	466 52%	898
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4,326 57%</b>	<b>614 8%</b>	<b>1,000 13%</b>	<b>873 12%</b>	<b>453 6%</b>	<b>271 4%</b>	<b>3,211 43%</b>	<b>7,537</b>

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 Ethnicity Report  
 October 2004  
 Senior High Schools

School	White	African American Or Black	Alaska Native Or American Indian	Asian Or Pacific Islander	Hispanic	Other	Total Ethnic Minority	School Totals
800 BARTLETT	922 48%	344 18%	255 13%	204 11%	109 6%	75 4%	987 52%	1,909
810 CHUGIAK	1,645 82%	51 3%	133 7%	63 3%	51 3%	60 3%	358 18%	2,003
820 DIMOND	1,295 66%	76 4%	206 10%	258 13%	103 5%	26 1%	669 34%	1,964
830 EAST	850 39%	282 13%	288 13%	433 20%	223 10%	94 4%	1320 61%	2,170
840 SERVICE	972 62%	101 6%	181 12%	196 13%	80 5%	33 2%	591 38%	1,563
860 SOUTH	1,440 84%	22 1%	93 5%	89 5%	56 3%	20 1%	280 16%	1,720
850 WEST	862 46%	161 9%	282 15%	333 18%	162 9%	67 4%	1005 54%	1,867
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>7,986 61%</b>	<b>1,037 8%</b>	<b>1,438 11%</b>	<b>1,576 12%</b>	<b>784 6%</b>	<b>375 3%</b>	<b>5,210 39%</b>	<b>13,196</b>

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 Other Secondary Programs

School	White	African American Or Black	Alaska Native Or American Indian	Asian Or Pacific Islander	Hispanic	Other	Total Ethnic Minority	School Totals
885 AVAIL	25 34%	5 7%	29 40%	8 11%	3 4%	3 4%	48 66%	73
880 BENSON	81 40%	43 21%	36 18%	17 8%	16 8%	12 6%	124 60%	205
881 BENSON SEARCH	30 37%	9 11%	23 28%	9 11%	7 9%	4 5%	52 63%	82
833 FAMILY PARTNERSHIP	184 70%	21 8%	28 11%	12 5%	8 3%	9 3%	78 30%	262
875 MCLAUGHLIN SEC*	38 25%	19 13%	60 40%	23 15%	4 3%	7 5%	113 75%	151
888 POLARIS 7-12	186 84%	5 2%	15 7%	6 3%	8 4%	2 1%	36 16%	222
835 SAVE I	110 47%	27 12%	46 20%	26 11%	15 6%	9 4%	123 53%	233
845 STELLER	207 74%	15 5%	26 9%	13 5%	15 5%	2 1%	71 26%	278
815 CROSSROADS	18 27%	10 15%	13 20%	13 20%	5 8%	7 11%	48 73%	66
844 FRONTIER SEC	117 74%	4 3%	20 13%	7 4%	8 5%	2 1%	41 26%	158
846 HIGHLAND TECH	193 62%	30 10%	50 16%	10 3%	13 4%	14 5%	117 38%	310

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 Other Secondary Programs

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884 CONTINUATION PROGR	11 46%	5 21%	5 21%	1 4%	1 4%	1 4%	13 54%	24
911 CORRECTIONS	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,200 58%</b>	<b>194 9%</b>	<b>351 17%</b>	<b>145 7%</b>	<b>103 5%</b>	<b>72 3%</b>	<b>865 42%</b>	<b>2,065</b>

\*Part-time Students included in Save I.

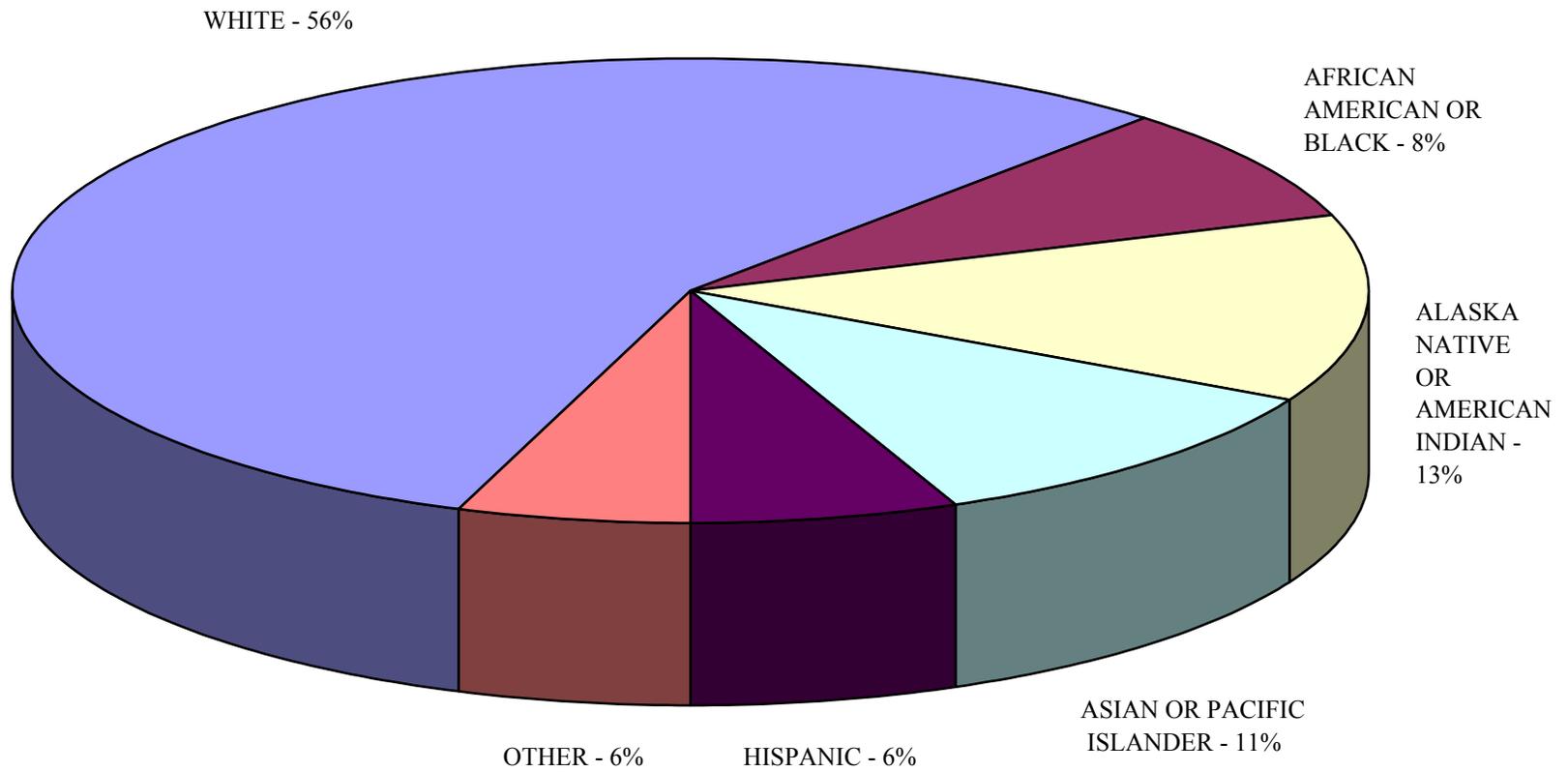
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 Special Services

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667 ACE/ACT	63 72%	5 6%	11 13%	7 8%	1 1%	1 1%	25 28%	88
616 BOOTH SECONDARY	1 13%	0 0%	5 63%	0 0%	1 13%	1 13%	7 88%	8
618 MCKINLEY HEIGHTS	9 53%	0 0%	8 47%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	8 47%	17
625 WHALEY ELEMENTARY	23 44%	11 21%	15 29%	1 2%	0 0%	2 4%	29 56%	52
627 WHALEY SECONDARY	50 42%	15 13%	43 36%	3 3%	4 3%	5 4%	70 58%	120
628 CHARTER NORTH ELE	6 67%	1 11%	1 11%	0 0%	0 0%	1 11%	3 33%	9
629 CHARTER NORTH SEC	8 50%	0 0%	8 50%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	8 50%	16
631 PROVIDENCE HTS SEC	3 0%	0 0%	4 0%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	4 0%	7
632 NORTH STAR HSP ELE	6 60%	2 20%	1 10%	0 0%	0 0%	1 10%	4 40%	10
633 NORTH STAR HSP SEC	7 37%	1 5%	11 58%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	12 63%	19
635 PROVIDENCE GIRLS	4 67%	0 0%	2 33%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	2 33%	6

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 Special Services

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650 JESSE LEE ELEM	3 43%	1 14%	2 29%	0 0%	0 0%	1 14%	4 57%	7
651 JESSE LEE SEC	4 57%	0 0%	3 43%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	3 43%	7
662 MT ILIAMNA ELE	50 35%	11 8%	33 23%	2 1%	9 6%	39 27%	94 65%	144
910 OUTREACH/PRIVATE	0 0%	5 63%	3 38%	0 0%	0 0%	0 0%	8 100%	8
TOTAL	237 46%	52 10%	150 29%	13 3%	15 3%	51 10%	281 54%	518

**Chart 1**  
**Anchorage School District**  
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**STUDENT MEMBERSHIP ETHNIC COMPOSITION**



**Chart 2**  
**Anchorage School District**  
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**HISTORICAL STUDENT MEMBERSHIP COMPOSITION**

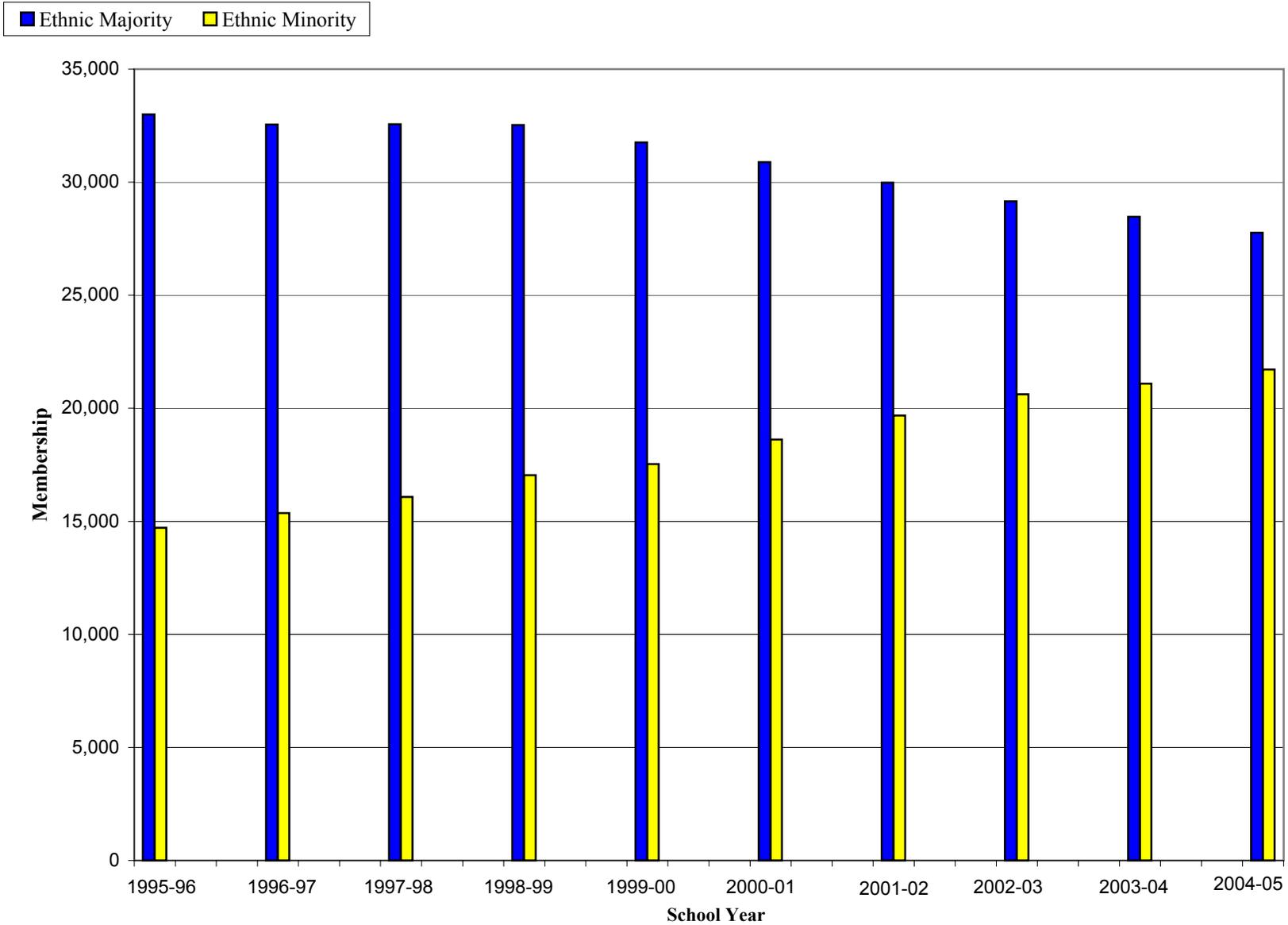


Chart 3  
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**ETHNICITY/RACE BY PROGRAM TYPE**

