

ANCHORAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

ASD MEMORANDUM #306 (2004-2005)

May 23, 2005

TO: SCHOOL BOARD

FROM: OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

SUBJECT: SPIRIT OF YOUTH AWARDS

ASD Goals: Increase student academic achievement; and establish and maintain a supportive and effective learning environment by collaborating with other community agencies to maximize opportunities for lifelong learning.

PERTINENT FACTS:

The Spirit of Youth Campaign was created to recognize Alaska teens for their dedication to positive community service projects. Each year middle and senior high students are awarded for finding creative ways to impact the lives of others in their community. Congratulations to the following Anchorage School District 2005 Spirit of Youth award winners:

Ellen Gaither, for helping to raise money for Tsunami victims, teaching kids in her church and taking time to clean up garbage in her neighborhood;

Kayla McDowell, for her work as a youth court attorney, a tutor for youth in the summer and her volunteer activity at her church;

Alec'dair D. Scott, for his contributions as a youth minister, founder of the Bartlett Gospel Choir, and as a senior mediator who saved the life of a fellow student; and

Darius Willis, for his volunteer work as a youth minister and participation in the Bartlett Gospel Choir.

It is requested that the School Board recognize these 2005 Spirit of Youth Award winners whose innovation, compassion, and dedication to others led to this recognition.

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