

# Monthly Update



## Anchorage School District

### This month at the Anchorage School District

- **The first day of school for grades 1-12** will be Tuesday, September 6, 2005
- **Kindergarten classes begin** Monday, September 12.
- **Back-to-school information** will be published in the August 12 edition of the Anchorage Daily News.
- **A ribbon cutting and grand opening** for the new Eagle River High School will take place at 12 noon on Wednesday, August 17, 2005.
- **Get connected...** contact Parent Networks, 279-3966.



### Announcements

#### Registration

All students attending an alternative or charter school for the first time should register at that school. *If you need assistance determining the school your child will attend, please call Demographics, 348-5190.*

#### Elementary School

All new and returning elementary school students must register on August 16, 17 or 18. Registration is held at each school. Kindergartners must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2005.

#### Register on these dates:

- August 16 . . . . 9 am – 3 pm (last names A-L)
- August 17 . . . . 9 am – 3 pm (last names M-Z)
- August 17 . . . . 7–9 pm (last names A-Z)
- August 18 . . . . 9 am – 3 pm (make-up, A-Z)

Students who are not registered will not be placed on a class list prior to the first day of school.

#### Middle School

Doors are open from 8–11 a.m. and 12–3 p.m. There is no alphabetical rotation.

**Parents of new-to-district middle school students and in-district transfers should contact their school to schedule an appointment with the registrar during the week of August 8.** Schedules not picked up on the assigned day will be dropped from the computer at the end of the day and students will have to reschedule.

- August 16 . . . . 8th grade
- August 17 . . . . 7th grade
- August 17 . . . . 7th & 8th grade make-up (4-7 p.m.)
- August 18 . . . . Mirror Lake 6th-grade registration 7th & 8th grade make-up

#### High School

**New-to-district high school students and in-district transfers may register and pick up the “Program of Studies” one week prior to scheduling (August 15–19) at their home schools. Students should call the school to schedule an appointment.** New students may pick up their schedules on their registration date listed below. Students must clear all fines/charges from the 2004-05 school year before they can activate their class schedule. Schedules not picked up on the assigned day will be dropped from the computer at the end of the day and students will have to reschedule.

#### Alphabetical rotation for each day:

- Last name M-Z . . . . . 8–11 am
- Last name A-L . . . . . 12–3 pm
- August 22 . . . . . Seniors
- August 23 . . . . . Juniors
- August 24 . . . . . Sophomores
- August 25 . . . . . Freshmen

#### Limited open enrollment lottery

There is a limited open enrollment policy for students who wish to attend a school or program outside their regular attendance area or an alternative school or program. If applicants outnumber openings, a lottery will be held. The next lottery will be held August 29. Lottery applications must be submitted to the school of choice by the close of business hours on Friday, August 26. For more information please visit the ASD Web site, [www.asdk12.org](http://www.asdk12.org).

#### Busing

Bus schedules will be available at all schools during registration and will be posted on the Anchorage School District Web site, [www.asdk12.org](http://www.asdk12.org). For more information, contact Transportation, 742-1200.

#### Back-to-school supplies

Supply lists vary according to teacher plans. Specific supply lists will be available at registration. For more information about school supplies refer to our Web site, [www.asdk12.org](http://www.asdk12.org). Free school supplies and coats are available to families in need through the “HUGSS and Coats for Kids” community partnership. Informational fliers will be available at registration, or call the HUGSS hotline, 644-8477.

#### Controversial Issues Committee seeks applicants

The Anchorage School District is seeking minority community members and citizens-at-large to serve on the Controversial Issues Committee. The committee reviews issues and materials about which the district has received complaints, and makes recommendations to the Superintendent. The committee meets once a month, or as needed. Call 742-4464 for additional information and/or an application.

### A Word from Carol Comeau



Summer may seem like a quiet time for local schools, but students and staff have used the long summer days to make significant progress! Over 5,000 students recently completed summer school programs that offered enrichment courses as well as basic skills training. Elementary and middle school students brushed up on math and reading, while high school students completed full semester courses in seven weeks. Two dozen students completed final requirements and graduated from high school. Congratulations on your hard work and achievements!

While some schools were filled with summer school students, others were in the capable hands of maintenance and construction crews. On Wednesday, August 17, at noon we'll officially open the new Eagle River High School during a ribbon cutting ceremony you are invited to attend. The newly renovated Chugach Optional and Polaris K12 schools are ready to welcome staff and students and many renovated high school classrooms and wings will open soon. Nearly every school in the district has benefited from this summer's major maintenance projects – from carpeting to roofs, boilers, security systems, restrooms, lighting, electrical systems, playgrounds and more.

I'm proud to live in a community that puts education first. Voters and taxpayers provide ongoing support for school projects and I am committed to keeping you informed about your investment. If you would like more information about these projects, visit the construction section of the district's Web site ([www.asdk12.org/renewal](http://www.asdk12.org/renewal)).

I hope you enjoy the rest of the summer because back-to-school season is just around the corner! Watch for registration and 2005-2006 school year information in the Daily News special section on Friday.

Most sincerely,

*Carol Comeau*

Carol Comeau, Superintendent

### Meetings of the Anchorage School Board

agendas currents as of 8/5/05

SPECIAL MEETING—AGENDA August 15, 2005 4:30 p.m. 4600 DeBarr Road, Room 320			
<b>Call To Order, Roll Call</b> Jeff Friedman, Presiding <b>School Board Comments</b> <b>Executive Session - (Personnel/Finance/Negotiations/</b>	<b>Litigation)</b> 1. Student Hearings 2. Appeal of Citizen's Complaint 3. AEA Negotiations Update	<b>Superintendent's Update</b> <b>Adjournment</b>	
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REGULAR MEETING—AGENDA* August 22, 2005 6:30 p.m. 4600 DeBarr Road			
<b>Call To Order, Roll Call, Flag Salute,</b> Jeff Friedman, Presiding <b>Announcements</b> <b>Approval Of Agenda</b> <b>Awards/Recognitions/Presentations</b> <b>Special Advisory Reports</b> 1. Student Advisory Board 2. Military Delegate 3. M.E.C.C. <b>Persons To Be Heard On Non-Agenda Items (30-minute time limit)</b> <b>Consent Agenda</b> 1. <b>Memo 12</b> - 2005 Charitable Giving Campaign 2. <b>Memo 13</b> - Appropriation Of State Of Alaska Legislative Grant Funds Senate Bill 46 3. <b>Memo 14</b> - Alaska Department Of Education And Early Development FY 2007 Grant Applications 4. <b>Memo 6</b> - Acceptance of Grant Award: Comprehensive Behavioral Health Prevention And Early Intervention Service Funds 2005-2006	5. <b>Memo 15</b> - Acceptance of Grant Award: Department of Education and Early Development Alaska Family Directory Website 6. <b>Memo 16</b> - Acceptance of Grant Award: State of Alaska WIA In-School and Out-of-School Youth Program 7. <b>Memo 5</b> - Approval Of Schematic Design For Service High School Renewal Phase 3 – Auxiliary Gym 8. <b>Memo 19</b> - Approval Of Schematic Design For Bartlett High School Renewal Phase 3a 9. <b>Memo 11</b> - School Board Policy Revisions: Section 332.3 Lottery Procedures – Open Enrollment (First Reading) 10. <b>Memo 17</b> - Personnel Report <b>Superintendent's Report</b> 1. <b>Memo 18</b> - Project Status Report 2. <b>Memo 24</b> - Semi-Annual Report On Professional/Consultant Services On Contracts Over \$10,000 3. <b>Memo 20</b> - Fourth Quarter And End Of 2004-2005 School Year Suspensions/Weapons/Expulsion Report 4. <b>Memo 21</b> - Status Report: Submission Of	Discretionary Grants, Fourth Quarter 2004-2005 School Year 5. <b>Memo 22</b> - Operating Budget Transfers - June Monthly Report FY 2004-2005 6. <b>Memo 23</b> - Out-Of-District District Travel: Fourth Quarter Report FY 2004-2005 <b>Persons To Be Heard On Non-Agenda Items</b> <b>Communications &amp; School Board Comments</b> <b>Executive Session - (Personnel/Finance/Negotiations/Litigation)</b> <b>Adjournment</b>	
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MECC: The mission of the Minority Education Concerns Committee (MECC) is to serve as the voice for families in the Anchorage School District and to promote educational success for minority students. The MECC meets the third Thursday of every month at 12 noon at 4600 DeBarr Road, Room 320.

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