

State of Alaska FY2008 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Education and Early Development Statewide Mentoring Program Component Budget Summary

Component: Statewide Mentoring Program

Contribution to Department's Mission

The Statewide Mentoring Program Component reflects the teacher mentoring and principal coaching activities that were begun in FY2005. These activities are designed to increase teacher retention and student achievement. The department will collaborate with the University of Alaska Statewide Office and the New Teacher Center at the University of California at Santa Cruz to ensure that mentors and coaches are properly trained, that mentors and coaches are assigned to and serve beginning teachers and principals, and that the program is evaluated for effectiveness in meeting the goals of increased teacher retention and student achievement.

Core Services

This program supports mentoring for new teachers and principals. The primary goals of the statewide mentoring project are to increase student achievement and to retain teachers. In FY2006, the department hired 24 mentors that have been assigned to over 381 new teachers. This program is already showing tremendous progress toward retaining these new teachers. Pairing 1st year teachers with a trained, experienced mentor has proven to be a powerful tool in improving student achievement and teacher retention.

Principal coaching has two goals: improve instructional leadership leading to increased student achievement and encourage education to move into leadership roles. In FY2006, nine coaches served 81 principals.

Mentors and coaches will receive ongoing training at least four times per year in how to be an effective mentor/coach. Training activities based on the Santa Cruz New Teacher Center model and statewide educational needs will be delivered.

Mentors will be assigned for beginning teachers from any district that chooses to participate in this program. Mentors will work with beginning teachers through on-site visits, email, phone and written correspondence.

Coaches will be assigned for principals from any district that chooses to participate in the program. Coaches will work with beginning teachers through on-site visits, email, phone and written correspondence.

Demand for both teacher and principal mentoring has exceeded the department's capacity to provide trained mentors and coaches. Federal earmarks will not be available for this program in FY2008.

FY2008 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results		
FY2008 Component Budget: \$4,500,000	Personnel:	
	Full time	0
	Part time	0
	Total	0

Key Component Challenges

No key component challenges.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2008

No changes in results delivered in FY2008.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2006

This component did not exist in 2005, but the Alaska Statewide Mentor Project did exist and was implemented through collaborative partnerships with the University of Alaska Statewide Office and Alaska school districts. Through these efforts, the following accomplishments occurred:

Twenty-four mentors were hired and trained to serve 381 beginning teachers in 169 schools in 36 school districts.

Nine coaches were hired and trained to serve 81 principals in 27 school districts across the state.

Of the 339 beginning teachers that were mentored, 89% chose to remain in the teaching field.

Baseline data on student achievement is being generated for students whose teachers were mentored in FY2005 and FY2006.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

No statutes and regulations.

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**Statewide Mentoring Program
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2006 Actuals	FY2007 Management Plan	FY2008 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Services	0.0	4,500.0	4,500.0
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	0.0	4,500.0	4,500.0
Funding Sources:			
1004 General Fund Receipts	0.0	0.0	2,700.0
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	0.0	600.0	600.0
1053 Investment Loss Trust Fund	0.0	2,000.0	0.0
1150 ASLC Dividend	0.0	1,900.0	1,200.0
Funding Totals	0.0	4,500.0	4,500.0

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2006 Actuals	FY2007 Management Plan	FY2008 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues				
Interagency Receipts	51015	0.0	600.0	600.0
Investment Loss Trust Fund	51393	0.0	2,000.0	0.0
AK Post-Sec. Education Comm. Receipts	55520	0.0	1,900.0	1,200.0
Restricted Total		0.0	4,500.0	1,800.0
Total Estimated Revenues		0.0	4,500.0	1,800.0

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2007 Management Plan to FY2008 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2007 Management Plan	0.0	0.0	4,500.0	4,500.0
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Remove One Time Item - Investment Loss Trust Funds	0.0	0.0	-2,000.0	-2,000.0
Proposed budget decreases:				
-Reduce ASLC Dividend Funding Source	0.0	0.0	-700.0	-700.0
Proposed budget increases:				
-Increment Request to Replace OTI and ASLC Fund Source Reductions	2,700.0	0.0	0.0	2,700.0
FY2008 Governor	2,700.0	0.0	1,800.0	4,500.0