

Fairview Community Council
Education Committee
Monthly Report

The October 18, 2005 committee meeting was used for planning a course of action until June 2006. The committee decided to continue all of the Mission functions, but emphasize adult participation in education with a focus on adult and parent participation in the education children. This will involve support of the PTA and PAL program, and the committee will encourage proposals that result in more in-home contact with families. This may involve working with various organizations including churches and civic groups.

Committee members are involved in promoting this Fairview Education program:

Arva Carlson, Adult Education Program Coordinator at Nine Star Enterprises, reports that Nine Star has coordinated with Beans Café to start a new GED class at Brother Francis Shelter. Nine Star's adult education instructor Ronnie Arnett reports that she currently has four students attending Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1:00-2:30 PM. The students are closely tied to Brother Francis as well as Beans Cafe. Ronnie says the staff members at both have been tremendously helpful assisting her with set-up and organization. She has a beautiful site provided by Brother Francis in their library. Students are using only books at the present time, but Beans Café has loaned them four lap tops which they will be using for the advancement of the Fairview adult education students in that program. Ronnie says that having GED instruction available to the Brother Francis/Beans population is an asset to the work the Anchorage community is doing to empower our citizens as they work to achieve their life-long educational and personal goals.

This invitation will appear in the next Anchorage Senior Center newsletter:

Improve a child's writing skills!

Be a pen-pal to a student at Fairview Elementary School and improve a child's writing skills while being part of a young person's literary life. In just a few minutes each week, you can help a student meet the writing standards that you learned in school. Your assistance is needed now for the **Senior Pen-Pal Project** sponsored by the Fairview Community Council Education Committee. Please contact committee chairman Dale H. Myhill at dalem@ninstar.com or leave a message at 222-2925.

Committee member Dan Loring is president of the Fairview PTA and is active on the ASD Minority Education Concerns Committee.

Next PTA meeting is on November 8 at 6:00 in the Elementary School library.
Next regular Education Committee meeting is November 15 at 6:00.