



KENAI PENINSULA BOROUGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

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June 7, 2010

TO: Board of Education
FROM: Tim Peterson, Director, Human Resources
THROUGH: Dave Jones, Assistant Superintendent
SUBJECT: Approval of Request for Leave of Absence-Certified Item 11 a (6)

It is recommended the following request for unpaid leave of absence be approved:

Anne Ridgely Special Ed Homer Middle, effective January 10, 2011
through May 25, 2011



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Lisa Callahan, Principal
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To: Tim Peterson
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cc: Kevin Downs
Lisa Callahan
Lynne Sandahl

To Whom It May Concern:

I currently am employed as a special education teacher at Homer Middle School. I have thoroughly enjoyed this position since I was hired in January of 2005.

..... I am requesting that you grant me a partial leave of absence for the remainder of the school year, thereby planning my return for the 2011-2012 school year. (effective 1/10/11 through 5/25/11)

I believe it is imperative for my family, the students, and the special education program at large that I be granted the leave requested above. As a first time mother devoted to providing the best start in life for my new child, I will need the first year at home. The students and more specifically, the special education program at Homer Middle will benefit from a year-long staff member as they seek to redefine their changing program. Challenges that arise in regards to new administration, a new additionally allocated special education teacher starting next year, and a qualified teacher to fill in for me while I am gone will be more readily tackled with a replacement for the entire year rather than a substitute for half.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my request. I really appreciate it.

Sincerely,

Annie Ridgely

We at Homer Middle School honor students' diversity and changing needs by recognizing academic and creative potential. We promote high standards through positive work ethic and encourage students to learn, succeed, and believe in themselves.