## Harold Rasmussen Golden Apple Award Recipient March 7, 2005

Harry Rasmussen has been an educator for 25 years; he began his tenure with the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District in 1990. Harry's first assignment with KPBSD was at Voznesenka then he transferred to Homer High in 1992. Harry currently teaches social science and special education at Homer Flex Alternative School.

Homer Flex administrator, Karen Wessel believes Harry to be a key link in the relationship between Flex students, parents, staff and the community. She says, "Harry's knowledge and experience is critical to the success of the Flex staff team in meeting the needs of the students."

As a special education and social science teacher, Harry gives students the forum and training to read, think, and discuss all social and academic issues. He is passionate about teaching and is committed to his student's social and emotional growth. Many students seek Harry's listening ear for their academic and emotional concerns. Harry's friendly smile, his sense of humor and his infectious laugh brighten every school day.

Recently, Harry has taken a leadership role in the Homer venue for the 2006 Arctic Winter Games. As president of the Homer Hockey Association, he has been instrumental in raising funds for Homer's new indoor hockey rink. This is just one example of how Harry Rasmussen contributes to the community and children of Homer.

Please join us, the Board of Education, in recognizing Harry Rasmussen for his outstanding service to education and to the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District.