Jim Legner Golden Apple Award Recipient February 5, 2007

Jim Legner has been an employee of the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District since 1983. He began his tenure with the District teaching at Redoubt Elementary, Nikiski Elementary and North Star Elementary. For the past eight years Jim has served as the educational technologist for Pupil Services. Throughout his years of service with the District, Jim has never lost sight of the true focus of education- the students.

As an educational technologist, most of Jim's work is done behind the scenes. He is responsible for the maintenance of all special education and gifted records as well as 504 plan databases. Jim checks the database early each morning to ensure that teachers will have access to student records. He troubleshoots user questions daily, often visiting teachers onsite to assist them with their particular computer or software problem. Jim is always seeking ways to improve technology services; his work has a tremendous impact on the ability of others to complete their jobs.

During the first sixteen years of Jim's employment with the District, he served as a classroom and Quest teacher. Jim is often credited with being a pioneer of technology integration into the classroom. As a teacher, he was innovative, dedicated, a champion of education, a team leader, but most importantly, a hero to his students. Jim is known for his sense of humor and his good natured personality.

It is with great pride that we, the Board of Education, recognize Mr. Jim Legner for his outstanding dedication to the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District.