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Dear Student Council Advocate,

As the 2010-11 school year begins, the *student-led Executive Board of the Alaska Association of Student Governments* is ready to present a plethora of leadership activities. We anticipate your students' participation in all that is happening in AASG this year. We look forward to your continued AASG membership so that we can provide valuable student leadership activities.

The AASG Executive Board, in collaboration with its advisory Steering Committee and the Executive Director, has made some dues changes to support our programs: for small schools (1A/<55 students): \$50; 2A: \$175; 3A: \$200; 4A: \$225.

AASG can help your schools get stronger through leadership opportunities, whether you have 10 or 3000 students in your school. AASG officers and region representatives are eager to assist students and advisors. We encourage students to go to *AKStudentNetwork.com* to interact with student leaders from all over Alaska. Both the Network and our web page, www.aasg.org, have current information on AASG activities and valuable leadership ideas.

Our leadership conferences are available at bargain prices for AASG members. Delegates are encouraged to stay in the school, and AASG also offers travel scholarships to help defray costs. The Fall Leadership Conference is at **Bethel Regional High School October 14-16, 2010**. The conference will offer many wonderful opportunities to get what it takes to act as a leader, and to practice debating, communicating, networking, and service... while learning about issues important to Alaskan youth. AASG's \$90 Early Bird Registration opens August 15. The AASG Spring Conference at **Cordova High School, April 14-16, 2011** will stimulate learning in leadership along with activities and service specific to this community on Prince William Sound!

AASG promotes ALL students to develop their voice in leadership decision-making by offering the RSVP Program, *Raising Student Voice and Participation*. Sixty Alaska schools have initiated this process in the past four years. The Program is endorsed by the NAASP. It is effective in increasing student involvement in school decision-making and improving school climate. RSVP will be offered immediately preceding the Fall Leadership Conference on October 14. This is an outstanding opportunity for getting student voice in your school!

Now is the time to support your students in their leadership development. **Please send the membership application and the dues to AASG today. Thank you!**

Sincerely,

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