North Slope JA students learn about business

The fastest growing Junior Achievement satelline area in Alaska is at the North Slope Borough School District for 1994-95. There are currently 72 classes occuring in NSBSD schools, which is a 63 percent increase from last year.

Arctic Slope Regional Corporation and Ukpeagvik Inupiat Corporation provide funding for this economic education program for students in kindergarten through twelfth grades. With community volunteers who share business experiences in the classroom, students learn how economics impacts their lives as citizens, consumers and workers. This awareness enables them to understand their place in the world and make éducated decisions about their economic future.

High school students learn to

operate their own companiess, from the sale of stocks, production and marketing of products, to final liquidation. Middle school students learn the importance of staying in school, interview skills and budgeting. Elementary students learn their roles in an expanding environment. Each theme includes grade appropriate activities to enforce learning concepts.

Community volunteers include parents and employees from ASRC, UIC, NSB, NSBSD, National Bank of Alaska, Alaska Commercial Company, NSB Energy, Alaska Court System, Barrow Cable, Social Services, City of Barrow, and Ilisagvik College.