

218 students enrolled

Bilingual program begins

Two hundred and eighteen Copper Basin students will be in the bilingual program this year.

Millie Buck, who heads the program that teaches Athabascan Indian language

and culture to area school children, says, "What we're really after now is to try to make learning fun for the kids."

Bilingual teachers met for a week-long training workshop in September. At the workshop they studied conventional teaching techniques. But they also reviewed the traditional string games they learned in their childhoods.

The teachers are Ruth Johns of Copper Center, Emma Bell of Kenny Lake, Molly Billum of Chitina, and Virginia Pete of Glennallen.

Former Gakona resident Hana Kangas taught the workshop.
