

Yupiit Schools' new program promotes involvement

The Yupiit District launched its exciting new program "In Our Schools We Are Moving Forward" December 5, in Akiachak. This program supports and promotes increased student, parent,

school, and community involvement.

The start of the program featured messages from the school board. The superintendent explained the purpose for the meet-

ing and the objectives of a successful school/community partnership. The main part of the program had thirteen presentations by personnel from both the school and community.

The program focused on the four main elements necessary for successful school/community partnerships: 1) Family and Student Commitments, 2) School Based Commitments, 3) District Based Commitments and 4) Com-

munity Based Commitments. The audience was involved in Round Table Discussions at the end of the program in which they were able to discuss issues of importance concerning their children and schools.

The School Board is committed to forming effective and lasting partnerships between the schools in the district and the communities they are serving. This commitment is demonstrated by

scheduling three more meetings which the members of village teams, administrators teams, elders, business leaders and community leaders from the villages will be able to attend. These committees will continue to develop plans for the implementation of school/community partnerships during the school year as well as to monitor the progress of the program at all sites.