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Applicants

The Department of Education, Division of State-Operated Schools, is seeking applicants for the new Teacher Corps program which is scheduled to begin operation in 17 Alaska villages this fall. The program is designed to bring interested, capable people into careers in elementary teaching.

In addition to providing two years of college course work and teaching experience leading to a B.A. degree in Education, Teacher Corpsmen will receive a salary and other employment benefits. Most of the college courses will be taught by the Alaska Methodist University and the University of Alaska in the elementary schools where Teacher Corps students will be working.

Additional classes will be given during the summer on campus at one of the universities. Transportation from the village locations to the campus and return will be provided.

The only expense not covered under the program will be housing. An important aspect of the Teacher Corps program is strengthening relations and communications between the communities and the school system. Corpsmen who are assigned to a village other than their own, may find housing with village residents, thus becoming more knowledgeable of that village life.

A six-week pre-service training course for the 30 Teacher Corpsmen will run from October 5 through November 13 at the University of Alaska. Also attending will be 30 Career Opportunity Aides and 12 team leaders selected to work with the Corpsmen and Aides at the village sites. Upon successful completion of the pre-service program, the Teacher Corps students will go to their assigned village to begin on-site experience.

Qualifications for entry into Teacher Corps are 60 semester hours of college (completion of the sophomore year) and a desire to teach. Further information can be obtained by calling or writing to, Division of State-Operated Schools, Attn: Teacher Corps, 650 International Airport Road, Anchorage, Alaska 99502.