

## **GOV. PALIN PROCLAIMS OCTOBER 2007 AS ASVAB CAREER EXPLORATION MONTH**

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WHEREAS, it is the responsibility of the State of Alaska and its school districts to provide information needed by students in determining their educational and vocational pursuits.

WHEREAS, the ASVAB Career Exploration Program is a comprehensive and career relevant joint venture between the Department of Defense and the nation's schools and is offered free of charge to high schools throughout Alaska.

WHEREAS, the ASVAB Career Exploration Program is one of the most widely used and highly regarded career development programs in the world, designed by career development professionals, high school guidance experts, and testing professionals.

WHEREAS, the ASVAB Career Exploration Program helps students to: assess their current academic and vocational aptitudes; identify, understand, and organize information about their interests, skills, and work-related values; identify suitable occupations to investigate and pursue based on their own interests, values, skills, and competencies; and use career information resources to further explore these occupations.

WHEREAS, the ASVAB Career Exploration Program gives students who participate greater confidence in making career decisions by providing them with the necessary tools to explore and consider more thoughtfully their options.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Sarah Palin, Governor of the State of Alaska, do hereby proclaim October 2007 as: ASVAB Career Exploration Month in Alaska, and encourage Alaska's educators to use the ASVAB Career Exploration Program as a reliable, cost-saving method for student aptitude assessment and career exploration, guiding Alaska's students into satisfying and long-term careers.