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MEMORANDUM

TO: Peter B. Foor, Presiding Judge of the Superior Court
FROM: Wally Holbrook, District Superintendent 
DATE: August 31, 2004
SUBJECT: **Response To Annual Grand Jury Report 2003-2004**

C. A. Jacobs Intermediate School

Finding #1 Eighty-three percent of the teachers at C. A. Jacobs Intermediate School are fully credentialed, compared to the state's average of 88%.

Recommendation #1 The school hire fully qualified teachers and make sure that teachers on emergency credentials become fully qualified.

Response #1 C. A. Jacobs has increased the number of teachers to 29 from 28 and reduced the number of non-fully credentialed teachers to (2) from (3). The school's percentage of qualified teachers is currently 93.1% compared to the state average of 88.0%.

Finding #2 The students at the school were very polite and helpful as the Grand Jury visited the site.

Recommendation #2 The school continue to promote the good citizenship shown to the Grand Jury.

Response #2 C. A. Jacobs will continue to promote the highest of citizenship standards among students, even greater than that shown to the Grand Jury last fall.

Finding #3 There was a brick missing in the walkway between portable classrooms, loose wires hanging from one classroom and a contractor's ladder was left unattended.

Recommendation #3 The school shall repair dangerous walkways and make sure that the students are protected from other dangerous situations.

Response #3 The missing brick (paver) in the sidewalk between the portables has been replaced, all loose wires in the classroom in question have been or are being bundled and are soon to be covered with conduit, and the contractors who left the unattended ladder have completed with their work at C. A. Jacobs. The school will continue in its vigilance to be on the lookout for any and all situations that would potentially compromise student safety.
