MONTANA K-12 DISTANCE EDUCATION PROGRAM CHARTER MEMBERS:

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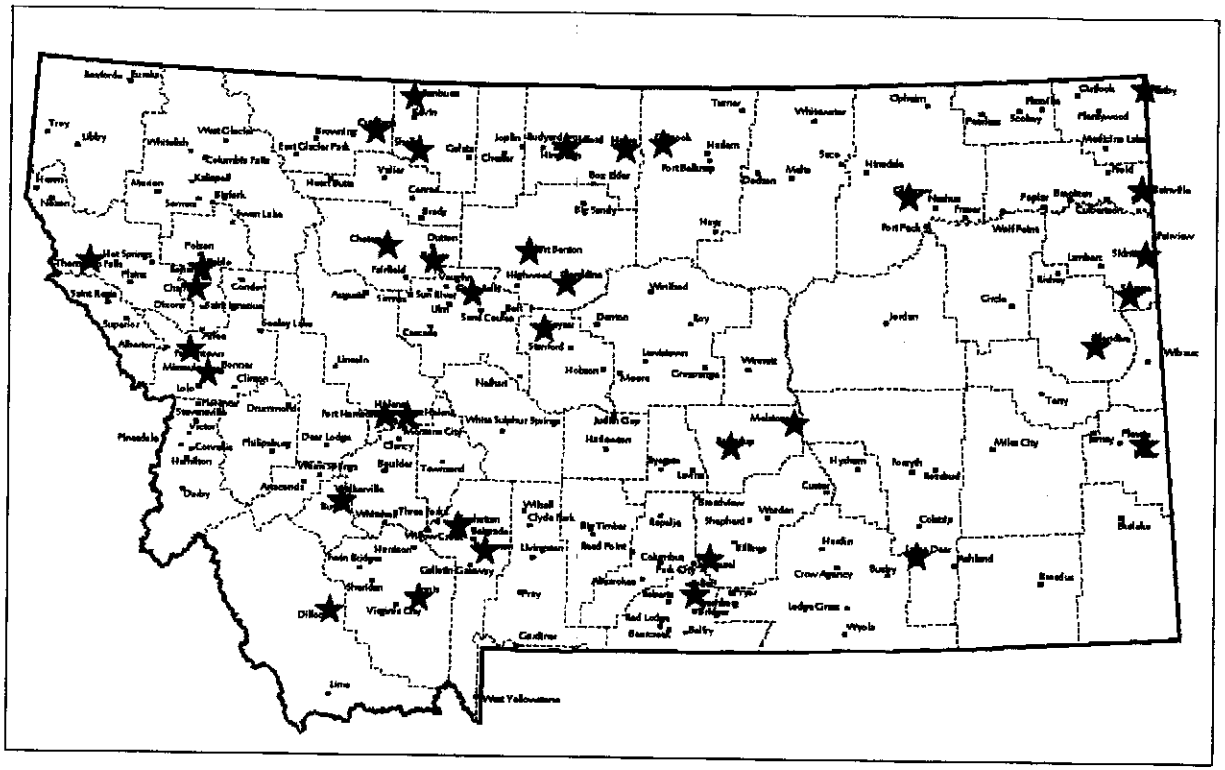

BENEFITS OF BECOMING A CHARTER MEMBER

The districts with the foresight to join as an initial participant in this program will enjoy a number of benefits, including:

- An opportunity to be represented on the Governing Board.
- Participation in the early design and decision making that will shape the program's future.
- First priority status for student registration.
- First priority status for teacher training and hosting classes.
- A discount cost for classes during the initial year's registration period.

SIGNIFICANT BENEFITS OF DISTANCE LEARNING

- Provide high quality learning opportunities for all Montana students through the distance education program.
- Enabling exemplary educators, programs and services to reach more Montana students.
- Addressing the issues created by declining enrollments facing many Montana schools.
- Enabling Districts with exemplary teachers, programs and services to maintain and share these programs and services.
- Enabling educators to expand and further develop their instructional abilities and career options.
- Assisting Montana Districts in their efforts to recruit and retain qualified staff.
- Addressing the educational needs of special groups of Montana citizens and/or students (i.e. home school, drop out and accelerated learners).

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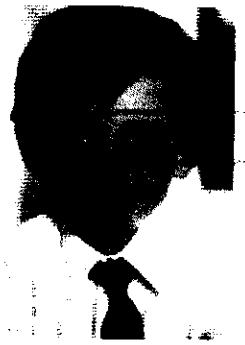
DISTANCE LEARNING

REVOLUTIONIZING THE CONCEPT OF "SCHOOLING"

Distance learning will revolutionize the concept of "schooling" — not by abandoning schools and individualizing and isolating students in the process, but rather by enhancing individual and class educational opportunities. The concept of schooling will surely be altered in the process, but the school as a social and educational institution will undoubtedly remain.

"A SELF-FUNDED, MEMBER-GOVERNED PROGRAM"

Talented Montana educators uniting to provide enhanced educational opportunities for all of Montana's students.



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MONTANA DISTANCE LEARNING VISION STATEMENT:

Implement a state-wide, non-profit, self funded, member governed distance education program designed for and by Montana's K-12 Public School Districts using properly licensed and endorsed educators to provide exemplary instructional services to students across the state utilizing the latest technology in a cost-effective delivery system.

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MONTANA SCHOOLS E-LEARNING CONSORTIUM

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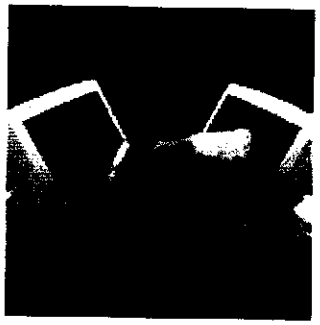

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