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Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education Releases the Third Edition of the Alaska Higher Education Almanac

Juneau – The Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (Commission) is pleased to announce publication of the 2020 Alaska Higher Education Almanac. The third edition of the Alaska Higher Education Almanac addresses the need for accessible and concise longitudinal information regarding higher education in Alaska. It offers a comprehensive picture of Alaska's postsecondary education by combining enrollment, credential attainment, and economic impact information, together with data on financial aid. The Higher Education Almanac also includes data on Alaska's postsecondary institutions, and it compares Alaska's performance to overall national performance.

The Alaska Higher Education Almanac frames this data to inform Alaska's policy makers and education leaders and to assist them in their decision-making in regard to increasing postsecondary attainment, and to highlight the importance of Alaska's financial aid programs in that attainment. The Alaska Higher Education Almanac is available on the Commission's website at <https://acpe.alaska.gov/reports>.

In conjunction with the release of the Alaska Higher Education Almanac, the Commission hosted the Second Annual State of Higher Education in Alaska event in Anchorage on November 18, 2019. The keynote speaker was Dr. Nate Johnson of Postsecondary Analytics, LLC. For more information about this informative event, please contact ACPE at 907-465-6740.

About the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE): The Commission is a 14-member body, the majority of whom are appointed by the governor, with representation from various Alaska higher education constituency groups. Established in 1974, ACPE promotes, supports, and provides access to and success in postsecondary education for Alaskans and in

Alaska, through outreach and early awareness, student financial aid, program integrity, and consumer protection programs and services.

About the Alaska Student Loan Corporation (ASLC): ASLC is a public corporation and instrumentality of the State of Alaska, which funds the state education loan programs and administration of Commission functions with tax-exempt bond proceeds and corporation receipts. The Corporation is governed by a five-member board of directors appointed by the governor.

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