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ALASKA PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP TEST SCORE REQUIREMENT UPDATE

JUNEAU – To preserve student access to the Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS), and at the direction of the Alaska Department of Law, the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE) will continue to administratively suspend the APS testing requirements for Alaska's 2021 high school graduates.

For the Alaska high school graduating class of 2021, APS eligibility and award level will be determined by meeting the existing rigorous curriculum and GPA requirements.

An updated APS FAQ for the Class of 2021 will be available soon on our website at [APS.alaska.gov](https://aps.alaska.gov). Continued updates to this website and FAQs will be made as new information becomes available. Student APS eligibility and level information will be available on the Alaska Student Portal (ASAP) in August, based on the information submitted by school districts after the school year ends. Students can create an ASAP account at acpe.alaska.gov/FINANCIAL-AID and should regularly check their ASAP account for important notifications and updates.

ABOUT THE ALASKA PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP:

APS provides an opportunity for Alaska high school graduates to earn a scholarship to help cover the cost of an Alaska postsecondary education. By meeting curriculum, GPA, and testing requirements, Alaskan students may earn the APS to attend qualified Alaska colleges, universities, or career and technical education programs.

ABOUT THE ALASKA COMMISSION ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION:

ACPE promotes access to and success in education and career training beyond high school.

THE COMMISSION PROVIDES:

- Education planning tools and resources
- Advocacy and support for postsecondary participation in Alaska
- Financial aid for college and career training
- Education consumer protection through institutional authorization and complaint investigation

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