



## Alaska Performance Scholarship: Data Reporting Overview 2011-2012

Dear High School Staff,

To assist you in understanding the process by which students' Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) eligibility status is reported and maintained, the Department of Education & Early Development (EED) and the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE) developed this conceptual flow and information bullets.

### Information Flow:

- Step 1: School districts report individual student collegiate & career/technical eligibility status to EED.
- Step 2: EED transmits student eligibility data to ACPE.
- Step 3: Student completes Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).
- Step 4: ACPE receives the FAFSA data. It is matched with student-level eligibility information.
- Step 5: Participating postsecondary program confirms qualifying student enrollment and costs of attendance.
- Step 6: ACPE disburses award to the institution on behalf of the student.

### School District Responsibilities:

- Review the student's academic history to determine if he or she meets APS curriculum requirements.
- Include the student's cumulative GPA, ACT and/or SAT and WorkKeys score, and curriculum eligibility confirmation on the student's permanent record.
- The school district reporting manager provides the required eligibility data elements to EED as part of the Summer Oasis 2012 data collection, due no later than **July 15, 2012**.

### EED Responsibilities:

- Provide training and technical assistance to school districts and their staff.
- Provide scholarship information and resources to students and parents.
- Certify information transmitted from school districts.
- Approve home-schooled, religious and other private school applications.
- Transmit student eligibility data to ACPE.

### Student Responsibilities:

- Complete the required rigorous curriculum, and earn the required GPA and test scores, and ensure ACT/SAT test score reports are sent to their high school.
- Annually complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Students applying to a school that is not FAFSA-eligible may use an alternate application from ACPE. *Deadline is June 30.*
- Enroll in a qualifying postsecondary program at an Alaska institution.
- Maintain good academic standing in order to continue to qualify for the scholarship.

### ACPE Responsibilities:

- Promote public awareness of the scholarship program.
- Provide training to postsecondary institutions and manage program participation agreements.
- Populate Alaska Student Aid Portal with FAFSA & student eligibility information from EED.
- Match student FAFSA report and eligibility information.
- Provide postsecondary institutions a list of APS-eligible students indicating plans to attend their school.
- Upon school certification, disburse award funds to the school on the student's behalf.
- Determine ongoing eligibility based on semesters used, time elapsed, and institutional enrollment certifications

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