

# **State of Alaska FY2005 Governor's Operating Budget**

## **Department of Education and Early Development Teacher Certification Component Budget Summary**

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## Component: Teacher Certification

### Contribution to Department's Mission

1. To ensure that only qualified applicants are awarded credentials to teach in Alaska.
2. To ensure that teacher education programs in Alaska conform to nationally recognized standards.

### Core Services

Receive, review, analyze, and evaluate all applications for initial, renewal, addition and removal of credentials and endorsements for the teaching profession as required by regulation and AS.14.20.370. Issue, deny, and/or notify applicant of the determination regarding their credentials. Submit fingerprint cards to the Department of Public Safety and FBI for background checks on all initial and renewal applicants. Notify applicants and monitor any resubmitted fingerprint cards. Deny credentials for applicants that have a criminal disclosure. Exchange revocation information with the National Clearinghouse for teacher licensure records. Issue Alaska credentials to all eligible applicants for teacher, administrator, special service, and limited license specialty areas. Review and approve all Alaska teacher education training programs in institutions of higher education. Register K-12 private & religious schools that operate in Alaska. Monitor the status of obligors to Child Support Enforcement and Postsecondary Education. Collect and analyze data from every school district to determine the number of teachers and paraprofessionals that meet the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) "highly qualified" definitions. Collaborate with (National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education) and with colleges and universities in the accreditation process that has been approved by the State Board of Education & Early Development.

### FY2005 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

<b>FY2005 Component Budget: \$621,700</b>	<table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td colspan="2"><b>Personnel:</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Full time</td> <td style="text-align: right;">5</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Part time</td> <td style="text-align: right;">0</td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Total</b></td> <td style="text-align: right;"><b>5</b></td> </tr> </table>	<b>Personnel:</b>		Full time	5	Part time	0	<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>
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Full time	5								
Part time	0								
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>								

### Key Component Challenges

#### Teacher Recruitment and Retention

There continues to be a nationwide shortage of education professionals that is making it increasingly difficult for Alaska school districts to attract and retain highly qualified teachers. Even with the most optimistic projections, Alaska's university system will only be able to supply a quarter of our teachers over the next five to ten years. Given that three-quarters of our teaching work force will need to come from outside of Alaska, we must be able to compete with other states who are offering a number of incentives to new teachers including signing bonuses and housing allowances. The State is working to ensure that these professionals who choose to work in Alaska are trained in Alaska's standards and educational policy issues.

### Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2005

Improve student achievement through increased focus on instruction and professional development for teachers and paraprofessionals.

### Major Component Accomplishments in 2003

- Accepted passing Praxis II for endorsements in French and German.

- Amended regulations to clarify criteria and requirements for special education endorsement waivers.
- Amended and realigned fingerprint regulations to comply with requirements from the Department of Public Safety.
- Issued a total of 4,441 credentials.

### Statutory and Regulatory Authority

AS 12.62.160  
4 AAC 12.010 - .900  
AS 14.20.010 - .040

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**Teacher Certification  
Component Financial Summary**

*All dollars shown in thousands*

	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
<b>Non-Formula Program:</b>			
<b>Component Expenditures:</b>			
71000 Personal Services	146.2	292.6	296.7
72000 Travel	0.6	19.0	19.0
73000 Contractual	64.8	369.6	280.9
74000 Supplies	1.6	10.0	10.0
75000 Equipment	0.0	15.1	15.1
76000 Land/Buildings	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Claims	0.0	0.0	0.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Expenditure Totals</b>	<b>213.2</b>	<b>706.3</b>	<b>621.7</b>
<b>Funding Sources:</b>			
1007 Inter-Agency Receipts	16.4	16.4	16.4
1156 Receipt Supported Services	196.8	689.9	605.3
<b>Funding Totals</b>	<b>213.2</b>	<b>706.3</b>	<b>621.7</b>

**Estimated Revenue Collections**

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2003 Actuals	FY2004 Authorized	FY2005 Governor
<b>Unrestricted Revenues</b>				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
<b>Unrestricted Total</b>		<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>
<b>Restricted Revenues</b>				
Interagency Receipts	51015	16.4	16.4	16.4
Receipt Supported Services	51073	196.8	689.9	605.3
<b>Restricted Total</b>		<b>213.2</b>	<b>706.3</b>	<b>621.7</b>
<b>Total Estimated Revenues</b>		<b>213.2</b>	<b>706.3</b>	<b>621.7</b>

**Summary of Component Budget Changes  
From FY2004 Authorized to FY2005 Governor**

*All dollars shown in thousands*

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
<b>FY2004 Authorized</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>706.3</b>	<b>706.3</b>
<b>Adjustments which will continue current level of service:</b>				
-Changes to Retirement and Other Personal Services Rates	0.0	0.0	15.4	15.4
<b>Proposed budget decreases:</b>				
-Reduction in Projected Fees	0.0	0.0	-100.0	-100.0
<b>FY2005 Governor</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>621.7</b>	<b>621.7</b>

**Teacher Certification  
Personal Services Information**

<b>Authorized Positions</b>		<b>Personal Services Costs</b>		
	<u>FY2004</u>	<u>FY2005</u>		
	<u>Authorized</u>	<u>Governor</u>		
Full-time	5	5	Annual Salaries	207,035
Part-time	0	0	Premium Pay	0
Nonpermanent	0	0	Annual Benefits	95,678
			<i>Less 1.99% Vacancy Factor</i>	<i>(6,013)</i>
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
<b>Totals</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Total Personal Services</b>	<b>296,700</b>

**Position Classification Summary**

<b>Job Class Title</b>	<b>Anchorage</b>	<b>Fairbanks</b>	<b>Juneau</b>	<b>Others</b>	<b>Total</b>
Education Admin II	0	0	1	0	1
Education Assoc II	0	0	1	0	1
Education Prog Assistant	0	0	3	0	3
<b>Totals</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>