

**State of Alaska
FY2009 Governor's Operating Budget**

**Department of Labor and Workforce Development
Adult Basic Education
Component Budget Summary**

Component: Adult Basic Education

Contribution to Department's Mission

The Adult Basic Education component contributes to the department's mission by providing adult learners instruction in the basic skills of reading, writing, mathematics, English as a Second Language (ESL), and GED (General Educational Development) preparation and testing.

Core Services

The Adult Basic Education (ABE) Program prepares Alaskans for employment by providing instruction in the basic skills of reading, writing, mathematics, and General Educational Development (GED) preparation and testing through grantees. Emphasis is given to integrating practical life skills and workplace readiness skills into instruction.

Adult students also receive instruction in speaking, reading, and writing English as a Second Language with an emphasis on civics education and the language competency needed for most entry-level service positions.

GED test administration occurs in 21 GED Testing Centers located statewide and GED transcript requests are filled for graduates seeking employment and/or entry into post-secondary education.

FY2009 Resources Allocated to Achieve Results

FY2009 Component Budget: \$3,258,200	Personnel:	
	Full time	3
	Part time	0
	Total	3

Key Component Challenges

The demand for ABE services continues to grow. The emphasis on basic skills education includes a growing demand to provide ABE instruction for Alaskans preparing to enter apprenticeship and training programs.

Federally mandated data quality and reporting requirements necessitate a high degree of reliability and validity with in-depth analysis. To meet the mandated requirements, the ABE program utilizes three databases: a computerized ABE student database, a GED examinee database, and an on-line basic skills assessment database. The ongoing challenge is to maintain, monitor, and update the databases while providing training to the regional ABE program staff that uses the databases.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2009

Continued implementation of a standardized, web-based student assessment instrument will increase the reliability and validity of the students' basic skills evaluation and provide a more accurate assessment. As a result, the regional ABE programs will better assign learning activities enabling students to achieve their educational and employment goals more quickly.

Major Component Accomplishments in 2007

A total of 1,591 GED diplomas were awarded in FY2007.

During FY2007, a total of 1,798 Alaskan adults completed all five of the tests in the GED test battery, and 88% of them successfully passed their exams and earned their GEDs.

During FY2007, a total of 79% of ABE adult students demonstrated increased basic skills knowledge.

The State ABE/GED office continues to process over 2,200 GED transcript requests per year for past graduates seeking employment and acceptance into post-secondary training.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

Federal Authority:

Public Law 105-220

Workforce Investment Act of 1998, Title II: Adult Education & Family Literacy

Statutory Authority:

AS 44.31.020(6)

Duties of the Department of Labor

Administrative Regulations:

8 AAC 99.010

Delegation of Authority to Issue Diplomas

8 AAC 99.110

High School Equivalency Test

8 AAC 99.120

Eligibility

8 AAC 99.130

Official Test Sites

8 AAC 99.140

State GED Program Office

8 AAC 99.190

Definitions

8 AAC 99.200

Adult Basic Education Grants

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Adult Basic Education Component Financial Summary

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2007 Actuals	FY2008 Management Plan	FY2009 Governor
Non-Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	249.9	253.6	274.8
72000 Travel	12.6	21.2	17.3
73000 Services	183.2	146.7	146.7
74000 Commodities	24.8	35.7	35.7
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	2,678.0	2,783.7	2,783.7
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	3,148.5	3,240.9	3,258.2
Funding Sources:			
1002 Federal Receipts	1,048.8	1,141.7	1,150.6
1003 General Fund Match	1,570.9	1,570.4	2,107.6
1004 General Fund Receipts	528.8	528.8	0.0
Funding Totals	3,148.5	3,240.9	3,258.2

Estimated Revenue Collections

Description	Master Revenue Account	FY2007 Actuals	FY2008 Management Plan	FY2009 Governor
Unrestricted Revenues				
None.		0.0	0.0	0.0
Unrestricted Total		0.0	0.0	0.0
Restricted Revenues				
Federal Receipts	51010	1,048.8	1,141.7	1,150.6
Restricted Total		1,048.8	1,141.7	1,150.6
Total Estimated Revenues		1,048.8	1,141.7	1,150.6

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2008 Management Plan to FY2009 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2008 Management Plan	2,099.2	1,141.7	0.0	3,240.9
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-FY 09 Bargaining Unit Contract Terms: General Government Unit	8.4	8.9	0.0	17.3
FY2009 Governor	2,107.6	1,150.6	0.0	3,258.2

**Adult Basic Education
Personal Services Information**

Authorized Positions		Personal Services Costs		
	<u>FY2008</u>	<u>FY2009</u>		
	<u>Management</u>	<u>Governor</u>		
	<u>Plan</u>			
Full-time	3	3	Annual Salaries	167,808
Part-time	0	0	COLA	16,096
Nonpermanent	0	0	Premium Pay	0
			Annual Benefits	90,936
			<i>Less 0.01% Vacancy Factor</i>	(40)
			Lump Sum Premium Pay	0
Totals	3	3	Total Personal Services	274,800

Position Classification Summary

Job Class Title	Anchorage	Fairbanks	Juneau	Others	Total
Education Assoc I	0	0	1	0	1
Education Specialist II	0	0	1	0	1
Employ Sec Analyst II	0	0	1	0	1
Totals	0	0	3	0	3