

State of Alaska FY2011 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Education and Early Development Commissions and Boards Results Delivery Unit Budget Summary

Commissions and Boards Results Delivery Unit

Contribution to Department's Mission

The Commissions and Boards RDU includes funding for two distinct programs: the Professional Teaching Practices Commission and the Alaska State Council on the Arts. Their contributions to the department's mission are:

Professional Teaching Practices Commission - To ensure that members of the teaching profession in Alaska are qualified and ethical educators.

Alaska State Council on the Arts - To foster the development of art for all Alaskans through education, partnerships, grants and services.

Core Services

- Investigate properly filed complaints against certified educators
- Sanction the certificates of educators found to have committed illegal, immoral or unethical acts
- Promote adherence to the Code of Ethics by certified educators
- Review regulations of the department as they relate to teacher certification
- Build vibrant communities through grants and services to artists and arts organizations
- Manage and sustain Arts In Education program
- Recognize and promote artistic excellence through programs such as the Governor's Awards for the Arts
- Coordinate the State of Alaska Silver Hand Native Art authenticity program, including artist marketing for Alaska Native Artists
- Provide training opportunities for new and emerging arts organizations

Key RDU Challenges

Professional Teaching Practices Commission

- The ability of the Commission to investigate all complaints in a timely manner or pursue lengthy investigations or hearings is limited by the available resources.
- The Commission strives to increase public knowledge and awareness of professional, ethical standards for teachers and administrators and to articulate the Commission's role and responsibility in disciplining certified educators.

Priority Programs: Education Foundation & Accountability.

Alaska State Council on the Arts (ASCA)

- To continue to meet the demand for grants and programs in all regions of the state.
- To expand the Arts in Education program to meet the demand for teacher professional development, arts residencies throughout the state, and to develop comprehensive statewide arts education policies.
- To continue to support Alaska's Native Artists through the Silver Hand program.
- To develop an effective statewide communication network required to maximize participation in the Percent for Art program by all public agencies.
- To meet the requested 1:1 match by State General Funds to the National Endowment for the Arts annual partnership grant.

Priority Programs: Active Partnerships.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2011

Professional Teaching Practices Commission

See individual component changes in the results to be delivered in FY2011.

Alaska State Council on the Arts

See individual component changes in the results to be delivered in FY2011.

Major RDU Accomplishments in 2009

Professional Teaching Practices Commission

- Completed 78 investigations of complaints against educators.
- Conducted 3 appeal hearings.
- Disciplined 12 educators through surrender, suspension, revocation or recommendation for denial of licensure.
- Reviewed 183 applications for certification containing background checks indicating criminal convictions. 181 applicants who had revealed convictions on their applications for certification and/or provided the requested details were approved for certification.
- Published and distributed an annual report to interested parties, as well as a semiannual newsletter to all educators and other interested parties in the state.
- Updated and distributed the Professional Code of Ethics Handbook.
- Presentations on professionalism, professional ethics, and the role of the Commission were given to pre-service teacher candidates at the University of Alaska Anchorage, the University of Alaska Fairbanks, and Alaska Pacific University as well as to the University of Alaska Anchorage Administrative Interns. Presentations were also made to the Alaska Association of Secondary Principals, Alaska Transition to Teaching Candidates, Statewide Mentors, and State Librarians.

Priority Program: Education Foundation & Accountability

Alaska State Council on the Arts

- Hosted three Alaska Native Artist summits in the state, in Barrow, Fairbanks and Anchorage to provide professional development, marketing classes and business management classes for Silver Hand artists in the state. This was through a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts.
- Hosted the first statewide Alaska Arts & Culture Conference in nine years in January, 2009. Over 250 artists and arts professionals attended the two day conference.
- Continue to partner with the Rasmuson Foundation to expand arts education opportunities statewide.
- Hosted a statewide cultural leaders conversation in September, 2008 to explore how arts and culture groups can work together to ensure that future generations of Alaska citizens have a rich cultural environment.
- Managed Percent for Arts projects statewide, including the Ted Stevens Anchorage International Airport, Fairbanks Airport, numerous rural schools, AVTC and the Fairbanks Fish Hatchery. We are beginning to work more closely with the UA campuses to facilitate public art projects at MAUs.
- Successfully managed 204 grants to individuals and organizations. This is approximately the same number as in FY 08, and is the number of grants that our agency can manage with limited staff capacity.
- Increased the public value of the work ASCA does in the state for arts and culture.
- Sponsored the Governor's Awards for the Arts and Humanities (Anchorage, October, 2008)

Priority Program: Active Partnerships

Contact Information

Contact: Larry Ledoux, Commissioner
Phone: (907) 465-8727
Fax: (907) 465-4156
E-mail: larryledoux@alaska.gov

**Commissions and Boards
RDU Financial Summary by Component**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2009 Actuals				FY2010 Management Plan				FY2011 Governor			
	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds	General Funds	Federal Funds	Other Funds	Total Funds
Formula Expenditures None.												
Non-Formula Expenditures Professional Teaching Practice	235.8	0.0	0.0	235.8	275.0	0.0	0.0	275.0	277.1	0.0	0.0	277.1
AK State Council on the Arts	670.6	671.3	161.9	1,503.8	695.3	990.0	210.0	1,895.3	695.6	771.8	210.0	1,677.4
Totals	906.4	671.3	161.9	1,739.6	970.3	990.0	210.0	2,170.3	972.7	771.8	210.0	1,954.5

Commissions and Boards
Summary of RDU Budget Changes by Component
From FY2010 Management Plan to FY2011 Governor

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>General Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2010 Management Plan	970.3	990.0	210.0	2,170.3
Adjustments which will continue current level of service:				
-Professional Teaching Practice	2.1	0.0	0.0	2.1
-AK State Council on the Arts	0.3	-288.2	0.0	-287.9
Proposed budget increases:				
-AK State Council on the Arts	0.0	70.0	0.0	70.0
FY2011 Governor	972.7	771.8	210.0	1,954.5