

State of Alaska FY2015 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Education and Early Development Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards RDU/Component Budget Summary

RDU/Component: Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards

(There is only one component in this RDU. To reduce duplicate information, we did not print a separate RDU section.)

Contribution to Department's Mission

The Alaska Performance Scholarship is a new performance based scholarship program that will directly contribute to the Department's mission to raise the academic achievement of Alaska's students. Central to the program are the eligibility requirements that students 1) engage in a rigorous secondary education program of study; and 2) perform well on standards-based national exams.

Core Services

- Active partnerships

Major Component Accomplishments in 2013

- Implemented the Alaska Student Aid Portal (ASAP), a web-based financial aid management system providing eligible Alaskans with information about their Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) and with the ability to provide online updates;
- ASAP implementation delivered a financial aid management tool for participating postsecondary institutions to certify student enrollment, continuing eligibility and paperless aid disbursement through schools to participating students, awarding \$3 million to 956 APS recipients and \$2.8 million to 2,532 AlaskAdvantage Education Grant (AEG) recipients;
- Produced the first annual APS Outcomes Report which provided information on the class of 2011. Information included numbers and distribution of qualifying high school graduates; their originating districts and geographic regions, utilization rates, related demographics as well as data on the rates at which APS students enrolled in developmental college courses compared to all other enrolled first time freshmen students; and,
- Provide support and training for the Alaska Career Information System (AKCIS) which has 95,123 portfolios and 174,321 user logins in FY2012 relating to personal career/postsecondary education exploration and planning, including APS curriculum planning, to 50 Alaska school districts.

Key Component Challenges

- Effecting a statewide culture that values higher education and understands the importance of taking a rigorous high school curriculum;
- Utilizing technology and self-service outreach and application tools to eliminate the need for new staff to manage the APS;
- Developing and deploying secure methods for exchange of high school and postsecondary data to track student eligibility and outcomes; and,
- Maximizing efficient dissemination of APS information to keep costs as low as possible while ensuring information access for all target audiences.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2015

- Develop and deploy research capability and tools to link data from the Alaska Postsecondary Education Commission, Department of Education and Early Development, and the University of Alaska in order to track and report on program outcomes;
- Expand APS.alaska.gov to provide informational tools in formats preferred by various audiences, including video clips for students, downloadable informational tools and presentations for schools, and links to APS information on social media/virtual communities; and,
- Advocate for APS by making direct contact with eligible students not currently using the award, to ensure they are aware of the program; and with current award recipients to ensure they understand requirements for continued eligibility.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

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**Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards
Component Financial Summary**

All dollars shown in thousands

	FY2013 Actuals	FY2014 Management Plan	FY2015 Governor
Formula Program:			
Component Expenditures:			
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0
73000 Services	0.0	0.0	0.0
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0
77000 Grants, Benefits	5,662.4	8,000.0	11,000.0
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0
Expenditure Totals	5,662.4	8,000.0	11,000.0
Funding Sources:			
1213 Alaska Housing Capital Corporation Receipts	3,100.0	0.0	0.0
1226 Alaska Higher Education Investment Fund	2,562.4	8,000.0	11,000.0
Funding Totals	5,662.4	8,000.0	11,000.0

**Summary of Component Budget Changes
From FY2014 Management Plan to FY2015 Governor**

All dollars shown in thousands

	<u>Unrestricted Gen (UGF)</u>	<u>Designated Gen (DGF)</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Federal Funds</u>	<u>Total Funds</u>
FY2014 Management Plan	0.0	8,000.0	0.0	0.0	8,000.0
Proposed budget increases:					
-Fully Fund the Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards Program	0.0	3,000.0	0.0	0.0	3,000.0
FY2015 Governor	0.0	11,000.0	0.0	0.0	11,000.0

Component Detail All Funds
Department of Education and Early Development

Component: Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards (AR18027) (2990)

RDU: Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards (610)

	FY2013 Actuals	FY2014 Conference Committee	FY2014 Authorized	FY2014 Management Plan	FY2015 Governor	FY2014 Management Plan vs FY2015 Governor
71000 Personal Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
72000 Travel	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
73000 Services	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
74000 Commodities	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
75000 Capital Outlay	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
77000 Grants, Benefits	5,662.4	8,000.0	8,000.0	8,000.0	11,000.0	3,000.0 37.5%
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
Totals	5,662.4	8,000.0	8,000.0	8,000.0	11,000.0	3,000.0 37.5%
Fund Sources:						
1213AHCC Rcpts (UGF)	3,100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
1226High Ed (DGF)	2,562.4	8,000.0	8,000.0	8,000.0	11,000.0	3,000.0 37.5%
Unrestricted General (UGF)	3,100.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
Designated General (DGF)	2,562.4	8,000.0	8,000.0	8,000.0	11,000.0	3,000.0 37.5%
Other Funds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
Federal Funds	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 0.0%
Positions:						
Permanent Full Time	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.0%
Permanent Part Time	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.0%
Non Permanent	0	0	0	0	0	0 0.0%

Change Record Detail - Multiple Scenarios with Descriptions
Department of Education and Early Development

Component: Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards (2990)

RDU: Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards (610)

Scenario/Change Record Title	Trans Type	Totals	Personal Services	Travel	Services	Commodities	Capital Outlay	Grants, Benefits	Miscellaneous	Positions		NP
										PFT	PPT	
***** Changes From FY2014 Conference Committee To FY2014 Authorized *****												
FY2014 Conference Committee												
ConfCom		8,000.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8,000.0	0.0	0	0	0
1226 High Ed		8,000.0										
Subtotal		8,000.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8,000.0	0.0	0	0	0
***** Changes From FY2014 Authorized To FY2014 Management Plan *****												
Subtotal		8,000.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	8,000.0	0.0	0	0	0
***** Changes From FY2014 Management Plan To FY2015 Governor *****												
Fully Fund the Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards Program												
Inc		3,000.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	3,000.0	0.0	0	0	0
1226 High Ed		3,000.0										
Totals		11,000.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	11,000.0	0.0	0	0	0

The Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) is the state's merit-based scholarship for students graduating from Alaska high schools who have met certain academic performance thresholds while in high school and who enroll in a participating postsecondary education institution in Alaska. Annual APS awards are made in three levels ranging from \$2,378 up to \$4,755. In FY2013, a total of 1,763 students received \$5.66 million for an average amount of \$3,210.

Full funding is needed for the fourth program year costs of the Alaska Performance Scholarship. The basis for estimating the full funding amount is the first three years of actual eligibility, utilization rates and estimates relative to the first three cohorts of Alaska high school graduates expected to be eligible for the scholarship.

This increase is needed to cover the continuing costs of the scholarship recipients, the costs of the entering cohort of 2014 high school graduates, and provides for an allowance for 2011 through 2013 graduates who elect to begin or continue their postsecondary training in Alaska in FY2015. Total funding of \$11 million is anticipated to support approximately 3,100 students with an average scholarship amount of \$3,548.

Line Item Detail
Department of Education and Early Development
Grants, Benefits

Component: Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards (2990)
RDU: Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards (610)

Line Number	Line Name		FY2013 Actuals	FY2014 Management Plan	FY2015 Governor
77000	Grants, Benefits		5,662.4	8,000.0	11,000.0
Expenditure Account	Servicing Agency	Explanation	FY2013 Actuals	FY2014 Management Plan	FY2015 Governor
77000 Grants, Benefits Detail Totals			5,662.4	8,000.0	11,000.0
77360	Educational Payment	Performance Scholarship Award grants.	5,662.4	8,000.0	11,000.0