

State of Alaska
FY2017 Governor's Operating Budget

Department of Education and Early Development
Statewide Mentoring Program
Component Budget Summary

Component: Statewide Mentoring Program**Contribution to Department's Mission**

The Statewide Mentoring Program component reflects the teacher mentoring and principal coaching activities. These activities are designed to increase teacher retention and student achievement. The department collaborates with the University of Alaska Statewide Office and the New Teacher Center to ensure that mentors and coaches are properly trained, that mentors and coaches are assigned to and serve beginning teachers and principals, and that the program is evaluated for effectiveness in meeting the goals of increased teacher retention and student achievement.

Core Services

- School Effectiveness Programs

Major Component Accomplishments in 2015

- The Alaska Statewide Mentoring Program continues to support the profession of teaching in Alaska. The program provides individualized support to first- and second-year teachers, developing an effective teaching force that is responsive to the diverse academic needs and cultural backgrounds of all students;
- Mentors received extensive ongoing training enabling them to support early career teachers (ECTs) through formative assessment tools used to collaborate with ECTs toward identifying their needs and meeting their goals, weekly contact at a distance, and monthly face-to-face visits; and,
- The Alaska Administrator Coaching Project (AACP) continues to serve Alaska's new principals and superintendents. Data collected indicates that early career principals overwhelmingly report the knowledge and skills necessary for effective school leadership are learned through the AACP.

Key Component Challenges

- The number of new teachers and their diverse placement, requiring mentors to be responsible for teachers that are disbursed throughout the state;
- Availability and access to technology that is necessary for new teachers to communicate with their mentors varies widely throughout the school districts;
- Researching the link between mentoring of teachers and student achievement is challenging, partly due to the separation of intervention and outcome measures, and to the multitude of variables and challenges inherent in Alaskan education; and,
- Increasing new teachers' efficacy and narrowing the gap in rural teacher retention.

Significant Changes in Results to be Delivered in FY2017

- The Alaska Statewide Mentoring Program research team will continue to refine teacher data and adjust the program as supported by this research; and,
- The lack of coaching support for new principals and superintendents impedes their ability to quickly develop an understanding of issues and key components related to the school accountability system, which is necessary knowledge to improve the performance in schools.

Statutory and Regulatory Authority

No statutes and regulations.

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Component Detail All Funds
Department of Education and Early Development

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Non-Formula Component

	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Conference Committee	FY2016 Authorized	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor	FY2016 Management Plan vs FY2017 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	2,300.0	1,500.0	1,500.0	1,500.0	1,500.0	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	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
78000 Miscellaneous	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Totals	2,300.0	1,500.0	1,500.0	1,500.0	1,500.0	0.0	0.0%
Fund Sources:							
1004Gen Fund (UGF)	2,300.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	0.0	0.0%
1226High Ed (DGF)	0.0	500.0	500.0	500.0	500.0	0.0	0.0%
Unrestricted General (UGF)	2,300.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	1,000.0	0.0	0.0%
Designated General (DGF)	0.0	500.0	500.0	500.0	500.0	0.0	0.0%
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

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Scenario/Change Record Title	Trans Type	Totals	Personal Services	Travel	Services	Commodities	Capital Outlay	Grants, Benefits	Miscellaneous	Positions		NP
										PFT	PPT	
***** Changes From FY2016 Conference Committee To FY2016 Authorized *****												
FY2016 Conference Committee												
1004 Gen Fund	ConfCom	1,500.0	0.0	0.0	1,500.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
1226 High Ed		500.0										
	Subtotal	1,500.0	0.0	0.0	1,500.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0
***** Changes From FY2016 Management Plan To FY2017 Governor *****												
	Totals	1,500.0	0.0	0.0	1,500.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0

Line Item Detail
Department of Education and Early Development
Services

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Line Number	Line Name			FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
73000	Services			2,300.0	1,500.0	1,500.0
Expenditure Account				FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
Servicing Agency		Explanation		FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
73000 Services Detail Totals				2,300.0	1,500.0	1,500.0
73002	Interagency Services	Univ	RSA to University of Alaska Statewide Office to help implement the Statewide Mentoring Program. RSA funding is for personnel to coordinate the program and make travel arrangements for teacher mentors, to assist in ongoing annual mentor and coach training, and to conduct annual program evaluation and research activities; actual costs for mentors' travel and per diem to school sites and for training events and for program personnel travel related to training; room rental for annual training events; supplies for teacher mentors, including New Teacher Center required training supplies; communication, printing, copying, fax and phone costs related only to the implementation of the Statewide Mentoring Program; Alaska Teacher Placement Center coordination and support with the Statewide Mentor Program.	513.3	400.0	400.0
73753	Program Mgmt/Consult		Contracts with teacher mentors to assist school districts with activities designed to increase teacher retention and student achievement	1,786.7	1,100.0	1,100.0

Interagency Services
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Expenditure Account	Service Description	Service Type	Servicing Agency	FY2015 Actuals	FY2016 Management Plan	FY2017 Governor
73002	Interagency Services	Inter-dept	Univ	513.3	400.0	400.0
73002 Interagency Services subtotal:				513.3	400.0	400.0
Statewide Mentoring Program total:				513.3	400.0	400.0
Grand Total:				513.3	400.0	400.0