



**Taking the
next step**

**With
Confidence**

KPC - Kenai Peninsula college

UAA system - KPC, UAA, UAF, UAS all apart of state of Alaska University

FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid

APS - Alaska Performance Scholarship

ACT/SAT - American College Testing/Scholastic aptitude test

Workkeys - taken through Kenai job Center, series of three tests, needed for APS

Accuplacer - Language arts placement test for KPC

ALEKS - math placement test for KPC

Associates degree- 2 year degree, requires 48 credit hours either science or arts

Bachelor degree - 4 year degree, requires 96 credit hours, emphasis is major

Certificate - more specific training and take less time

Undergraduate degree - both Associate and Bachelor are considered undergrad

WUE - Western Undergraduate Exchange - helps lower out of state tuition with some schools.

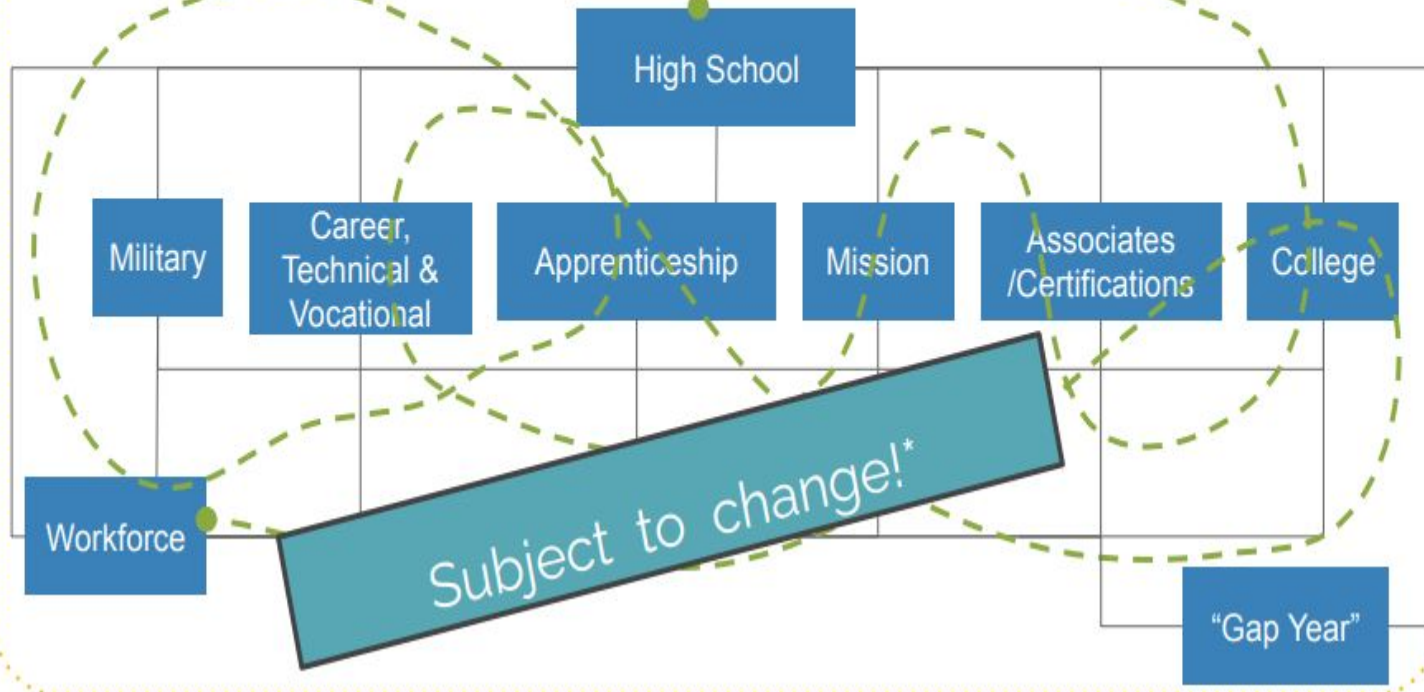
Jumpstart - program offered by KPC and the Borough to reduce tuition

Bulldog packet - scholarship applications/essay/resume

Where are we headed?



Post-Secondary Education/Training Paths



Senior Year 'Typical' Timeline



*Things don't always happen
in this exact order

Fall

- Take/retake ACT, SAT or other necessary tests
- Explore your options & identify schools - note when applications open + deadlines
- Learn about financial aid
- Complete the FAFSA
- Apply to schools
 - *be sure to send them your FAFSA
- Apply for scholarships
- Start the Bulldog Packet

Spring

- Continue to apply to schools if need be
- Bulldog Packet + other scholarships
- Finish taking those tests if you haven't!
- Review, accept/decline financial aid awards from school
- Meet with an advisor from your school
- Apply for housing
- Graduate & send final transcripts
- Register for classes
- Orientation
- School - woohoo!

Alaska Performance Scholarship

Class of 2017 & Beyond
ALASKA PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP
 To apply for the APS and other financial aid opportunities, students must complete a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) by June 30th of each year. VISIT: studentaid.gov

Required Curriculum (for all levels)
 Students can choose either curriculum option:
 Contact your counselor for information about APS courses. Approved courses may also be available through courses such as the University of Alaska or others. Eligibility is determined based upon courses with a letter grade contained in your high school's permanent student record.

| Required Curriculum | Option 1: Math & Science Curriculum | Option 2: Social Studies & Language Curriculum |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| Science (3 credits) | Science (3 credits) | Science (3 credits) |
| Math (3 credits) | Math (3 credits) | Math (3 credits) |
| Social Studies (4 credits) | | Social Studies (4 credits) |
| Language Arts (4 credits) | | Language Arts (4 credits) |
| | | World Language (2 credits) |

Level 1
 UP TO \$4,755 per year
 Required GPA: 3.5 or greater
 Required Testing: ACT/SAT: Use APS for Degree or Certificate; ACT 25 SAT 1210*
 WorkKeys: Use APS for Certificate Only; WorkKeys 13

Level 2
 UP TO \$3,566 per year
 Required GPA: 3.0 or greater
 Required Testing: ACT/SAT: Use APS for Degree or Certificate; ACT 23 SAT 1130*
 WorkKeys: Use APS for Certificate Only; WorkKeys 13

Level 3
 UP TO \$2,378 per year
 Required GPA: 2.5 or greater
 Required Testing: ACT/SAT: Use APS for Degree or Certificate; ACT 21 SAT 1060*
 WorkKeys: Use APS for Certificate Only; WorkKeys 13

ON TRACK TO QUALIFY? Get ready to put your APS award to work!
 Download Initial Award and Continuing Eligibility Checklists at APS.alaska.gov

Questions? Visit APS.alaska.gov

Required classes
2 routes

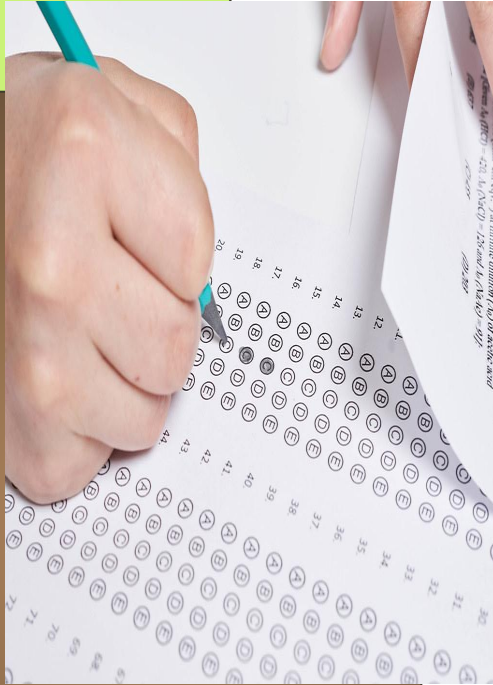
Required GPA
3 levels

Required testing
ACT/SAT or workkeys

- Can be used for both college and career track.
- Can be deferred for up to one year.
- Can be used for up to 4 years or 4 programs.

<https://acpe.alaska.gov/Portals/3/APS/Pubs/APS-Approved-Institutions-and-Programs.pdf>

Test Dates



SAT testing at KPC:
November 5th
March 11

SAT testing at NMHS:
March 11th

ACT testing at KPC:
April 25th

WorkKeys at Kenai Job Center :
Anytime

Accuplacer at NMHS -

ALEKS - anytime/anywhere

Resources for test prep

ACT.org

Collegeboard.org

Kaptest.com

Khanacademy.org



Next steps:

- Complete interest inventories (AKCIS) through Canvas
- Attend college presentations
- Tour schools
- Attend College and Career Fair October 11th
- Talk with EVERYONE
- Research



Resources

AKCIS - career assessment provided by the district

<https://acpe.alaska.gov/PLANNING/AKCIS>

Can also be accessed through **One Stop/Clever** on KPBSD.

Net Price Calculator through Dept of Education

<https://collegecost.ed.gov/net-price>

Helps determine overall cost of school.

Bureau of Labor Statistics

<https://www.bls.gov/>

Most accurate stats on current labor market for salary, job demand and status in Alaska and outside.

Alaska Job Center

<https://jobs.alaska.gov/offices/>

Great assistance for those entering the labor market right after graduation.

| OCCUPATION | GROWTH RATE, 2021-31 | 2021 MEDIAN PAY |
|---|----------------------|--------------------|
| Nurse practitioners | 46% | \$120,680 per year |
| Wind turbine service technicians | 44% | \$56,260 per year |
| Ushers, lobby attendants, and ticket takers | 41% | \$24,440 per year |
| Motion picture projectionists | 40% | \$29,350 per year |
| Cooks, restaurant | 37% | \$30,010 per year |
| Data scientists | 36% | \$100,910 per year |
| Athletes and sports competitors | 36% | \$77,300 per year |
| Information security analysts | 35% | \$102,600 per year |
| Statisticians | 33% | \$95,570 per year |
| Umpires, referees, and other sports officials | 32% | \$35,860 per year |
| Web developers | 30% | \$77,030 per year |
| Animal caretakers | 30% | \$28,600 per year |
| Choreographers | 30% | \$42,700 per year |
| Taxi drivers | 28% | \$29,310 per year |
| Medical and health services managers | 28% | \$101,340 per year |
| Logisticians | 28% | \$77,030 per year |
| Physician assistants | 28% | \$121,530 per year |
| Solar photovoltaic installers | 27% | \$47,670 per year |
| Animal trainers | 27% | \$31,280 per year |
| Physical therapist assistants | 26% | \$61,180 per year |

170[%]

Increase in wages for the average worker with a 4-year degree

\$1,000,000

Additional lifetime earnings for a worker with a 4-year degree

10

Years to recoup the cost of a 4-year degree, on average

47[%]

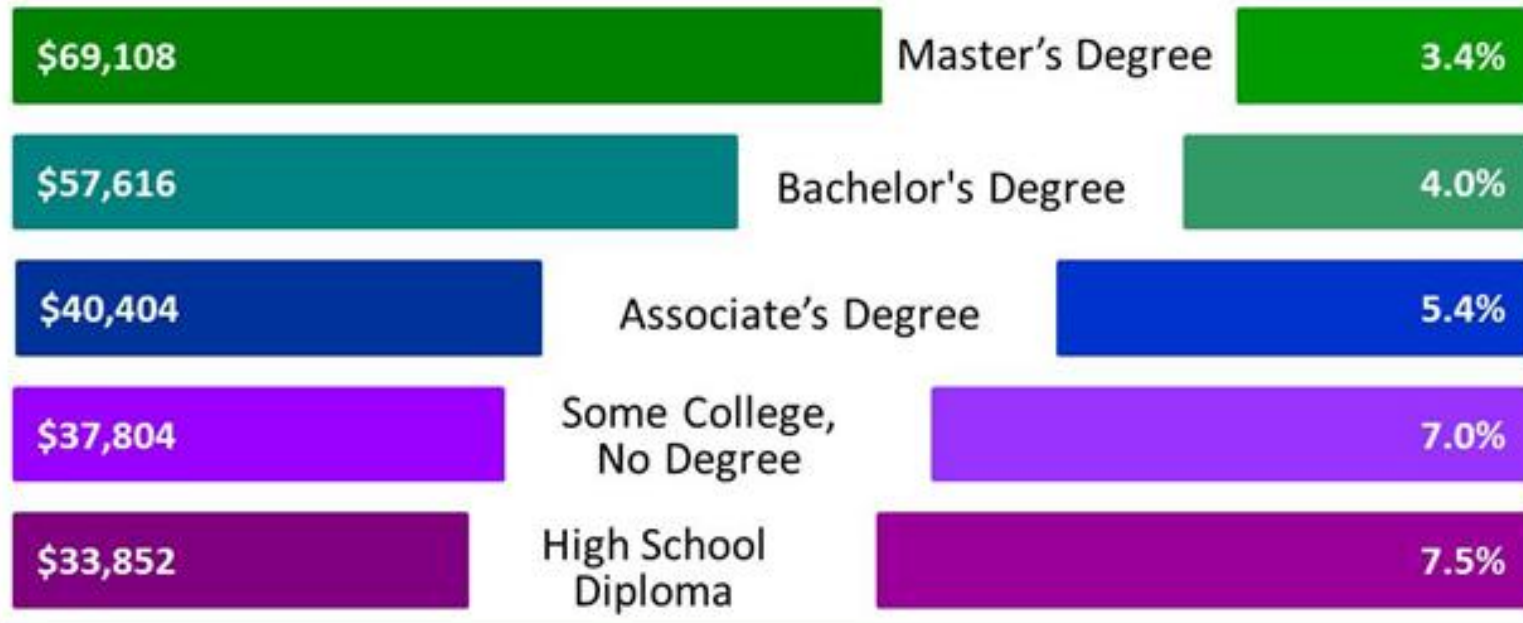
Less likely to be unemployed with a 4-year degree than just a high school diploma

More likely to have higher pay, more money and less unemployment. It is an investment in your future.

2013

Median Annual Income

Unemployment Rate



Cost of college In UA system

cost of tuition and fees:
\$9,800

Cost of room and
board:
\$10,000-12,500

Cost of 4 year degree:
\$79,200

Cost of Tech School

| | TUITION (2) | TECHNOLOGY FEE (1) | STUDENT SERVICE FEE (1) | ROOM AND BOARD (4) | BOOKS (PROVIDED BY AVTEC) (1&2) | SUPPLIES (PROVIDED BY AVTEC)(2) | ITEMS NOT PROVIDED BY AVTEC (3) | TOTAL COST |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| Business and Office Technology | \$4,286 | \$325 | \$125 | \$10,804 | \$1,489 | \$320 | \$0 | \$17,349 |
| Construction Technology | \$2,858 | \$325 | \$125 | \$5,402 | \$328 | \$1,700 | \$1,100 | \$11,838 |
| Culinary Arts | \$4,286 | \$325 | \$125 | \$10,804 | \$1,517 | \$5,000 | \$1,000 | \$23,057 |
| Diesel/Heavy Equipment Technologies | \$4,286 | \$325 | \$125 | \$10,804 | \$586 | \$6,930 | \$6,500 | \$29,556 |
| Industrial Electricity | \$4,286 | \$325 | \$125 | \$10,804 | \$1,090 | \$2,760 | \$1,800 | \$21,190 |



They both drive down the road but the experience is different.

1. Scholarships - [Scholarships - Kenai Peninsula Borough School District](#)
2. In state tuition or live at home - online is an option
3. Work - during school and in the summers
4. Live more inexpensively - move out of dorms
5. Work with advisory to make sure you are getting out of school what you can and are on target to graduate - have a plan
6. Talk a jumpstart course
7. If going out of state - check with WUE schools first
<https://www.wiche.edu/tuition-savings/wue/>
8. UA Study abroad program - <https://uaf.edu/academics/study-abroad.php>
9. Establish residency

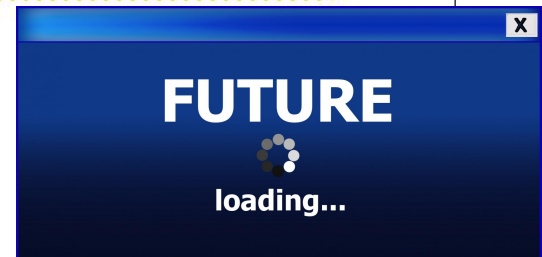
Local scholarships

What scholarships are awarded based on the Bulldog Packet?

Scholarships are looking for:
1. Potential success
2. Strong academics
3. Community service
4. Leadership skills

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| • North Kenai Community Club | \$1000 | \$8,000 |
| • Nikiski Fire Station | 2 x \$1000 | |
| • Kenai Chamber of Commerce | 2 x \$400/ \$650/ \$800 | |
| • Nikiski Senior Center - Thelma McConnell | 2 x \$2000 | 2 x \$3000 |
| • Shayna Marie Prichard Scholarship *trades | 3 x \$1500 | |
| • Les Rappe Scholarship *trades | 2 x \$2500 | |
| • (Could be others as well) | | |

Resume + letter of recommendation + transcript



Your next move





Remain
calm

**It's just
one step
at a time.**