

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 fafsa.ed.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 resources 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.

Math & Science Curriculum:

Science (4 credits)	
Math (4 credits)	
Social Studies (4 credits)	
Language Arts (4 credits)	Option: 1 credit CTE

Social Studies & Language Curriculum:

Science (3 credits)	
Math (3 credits)	
Social Studies (4 credits)	
Language Arts (4 credits)	
World Language (2 credits)	or 2 credits CTE* same language for both credits

*1 year sequentially more rigorous content within a career cluster

Level 1

UP TO **\$4,755** per year

Level 2

UP TO **\$3,566** per year

Level 3

UP TO **\$2,378** per year

Required GPA

3.5
or greater

3.0
or greater

2.5
or greater

Required Testing

"Certificate" means a career & technical education certificate and does not include associate's degrees.

ACT/SAT: Use APS for degree or certificate

ACT 25
SAT 1210*

*for SAT taken March 2016 or later

ACT 23
SAT 1130*

*for SAT taken March 2016 or later

ACT 21
SAT 1060*

*for SAT taken March 2016 or later

WorkKeys: Use APS for certificate only A combination score of 13 or higher with no score below 4, is required in Applied Math, Graphic Literacy, and Workplace Documents

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On track to qualify? Get ready to put your APS award to work!
Download Initial Award and Continuing Eligibility Checklists
at APS.alaska.gov

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APS QUALIFYING COURSES

Only approved courses can be used to complete the required APS curriculum. Eligibility is determined based upon courses with a letter grade contained in your school's permanent student record. Each requirement is for a complete unit of credit (half-credit courses count as half of a required APS course).

The State Board of Education & Early Development has published the following approved standard courses. Any course consisting of a complete unit of credit and matching the titles of the approved standard courses can be used to meet the APS curriculum requirements.

Public School Districts may also approve standard courses. Each school district is responsible for providing students with a complete list of APS-qualifying courses.

For private/homeschool students applying for the APS to the Department of Education & Early Development (EED) using the APS Eligibility Determination Application, the use of any additional courses to meet the APS curriculum requirements must first be approved by EED.

STUDENTS MAY ALSO USE APPROVED ADDITIONAL COURSES AS FOLLOWS:

Social Studies & Language Curriculum option:

Up to one additional course may be substituted for a standard course in each subject area (math, science, language arts, and social studies).

Math & Science Curriculum option:

Up to one additional course may be substituted for a standard course in math and language arts, and up to two additional courses may be substituted for standard courses in science and social studies. Additionally, for the Math & Science Curriculum option only, a foreign language, Alaska Native Language, American Sign Language, cultural heritage, or fine arts course may be substituted for one standard course of social studies.

Please note: Students in public school districts can select additional courses only from a list of approved additional courses provided by their district.

or CTE course

MATH

standard courses

- ☐ algebra 1
- ☐ algebra 2
- ☐ geometry
- ☐ trigonometry
- ☐ pre-calculus
- ☐ calculus
- ☐ calculus 2
- ☐ statistics

SCIENCE

standard courses

- ☐ physical science
- ☐ earth science
- ☐ biology
- ☐ chemistry
- ☐ physics
- ☐ marine biology
- ☐ anatomy & physiology

LANGUAGE ARTS

standard courses

- ☐ composition
- ☐ American literature
- ☐ world literature
- ☐ speech & debate
- ☐ advanced composition
- ☐ creative writing
- ☐ British literature

SOCIAL STUDIES

standard courses

- ☐ world history
- ☐ American history
- ☐ geography
- ☐ American government
- ☐ civics
- ☐ economics
- ☐ Alaska history
- ☐ western civilization
- ☐ eastern civilization
- ☐ psychology
- ☐ sociology

WAYS TO ACCESS APPROVED COURSES:

Several alternative sources to access approved APS courses are available (such as the University of Alaska or others). In most cases, a fee will be required to enroll in these courses. If you are considering using courses from outside of your school to qualify for the APS, ensure these courses are approved by your district.



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