

# Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (DEED)

Senate Education Committee

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# Mission, Vision, and Purpose

Mission	Vision	Purpose
An excellent education for every student every day.	All students will succeed in their education and work, shape worthwhile and satisfying lives for themselves, exemplify the best values of society, and be effective in improving the character and quality of the world about them. - Alaska Statute 14.03.015	DEED exists to provide <b>information, resources, and leadership</b> to support an excellent education for every student every day.

# Agenda

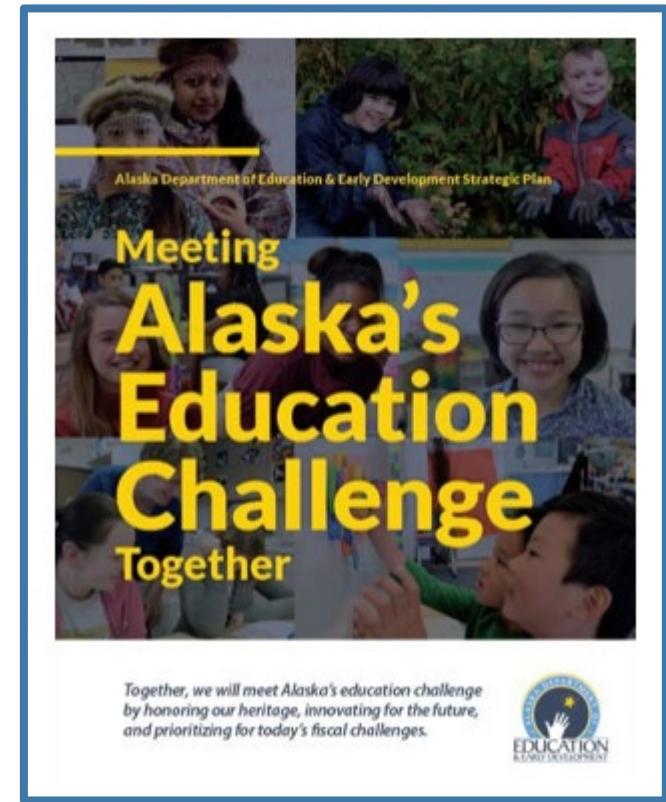
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# Alaska's Education Challenge

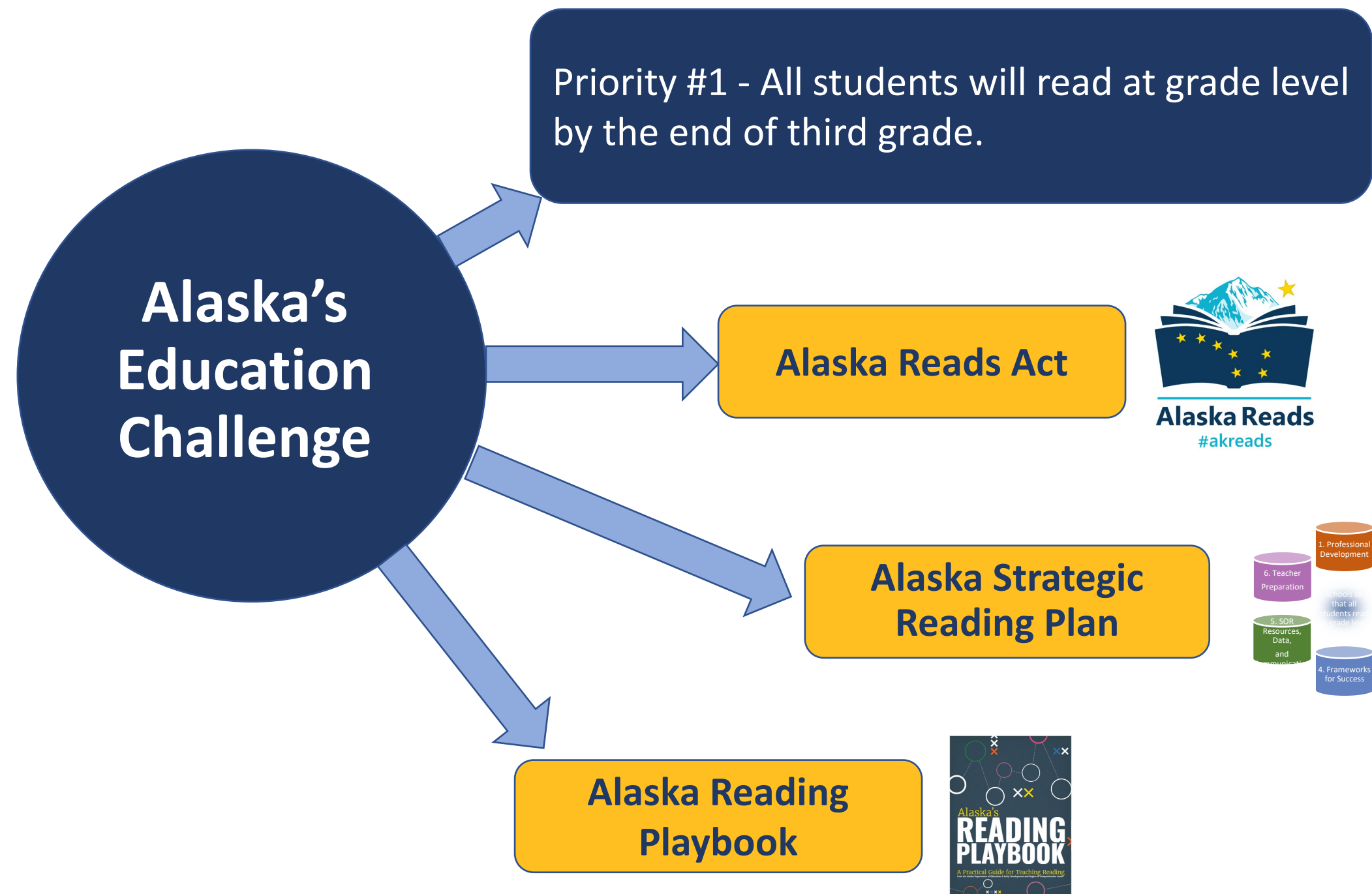
# Strategic Priorities: Alaska's Education Challenge

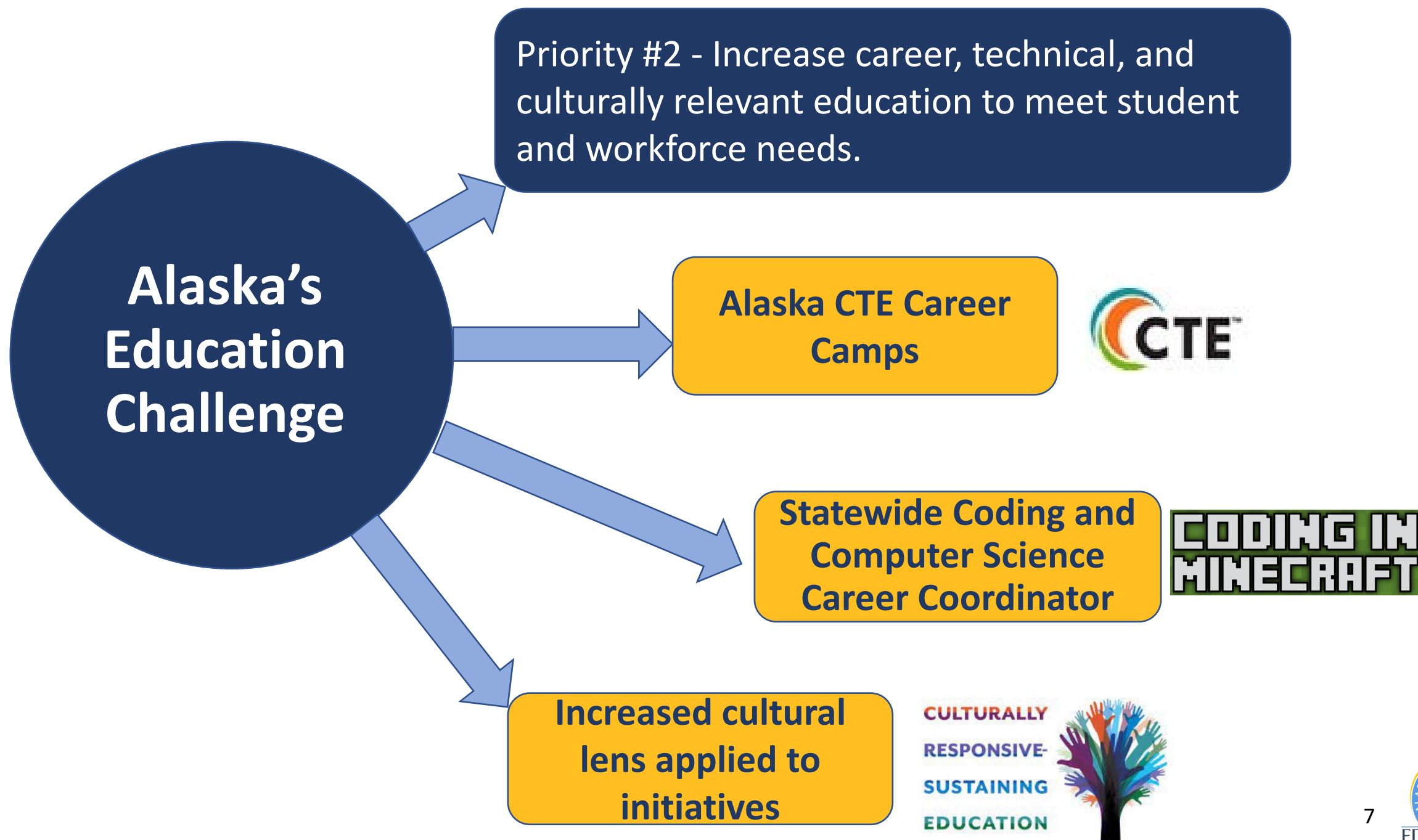
## Five Shared Priorities:

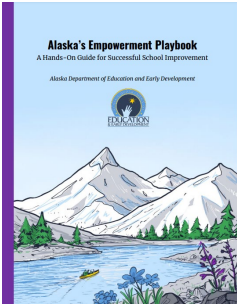
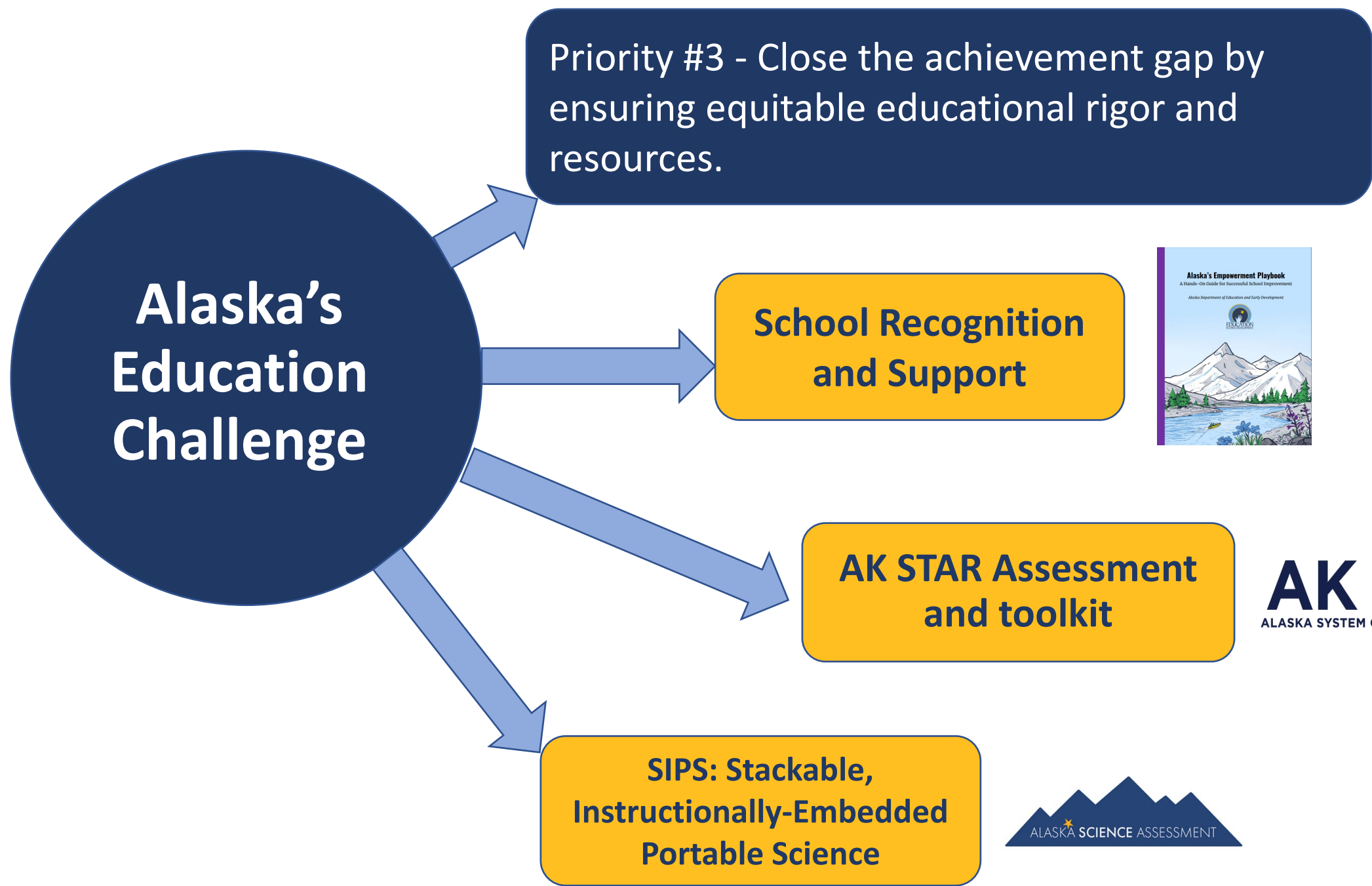
1. Support all students to read at grade level by the end of third grade.
2. Increase career, technical, and culturally relevant education to meet student and workforce needs.
3. Close the achievement gap by ensuring equitable educational rigor and resources.
4. Prepare, attract, and retain effective education professionals.
5. Improve the safety and well-being of students through school partnerships with families, communities, and tribes.

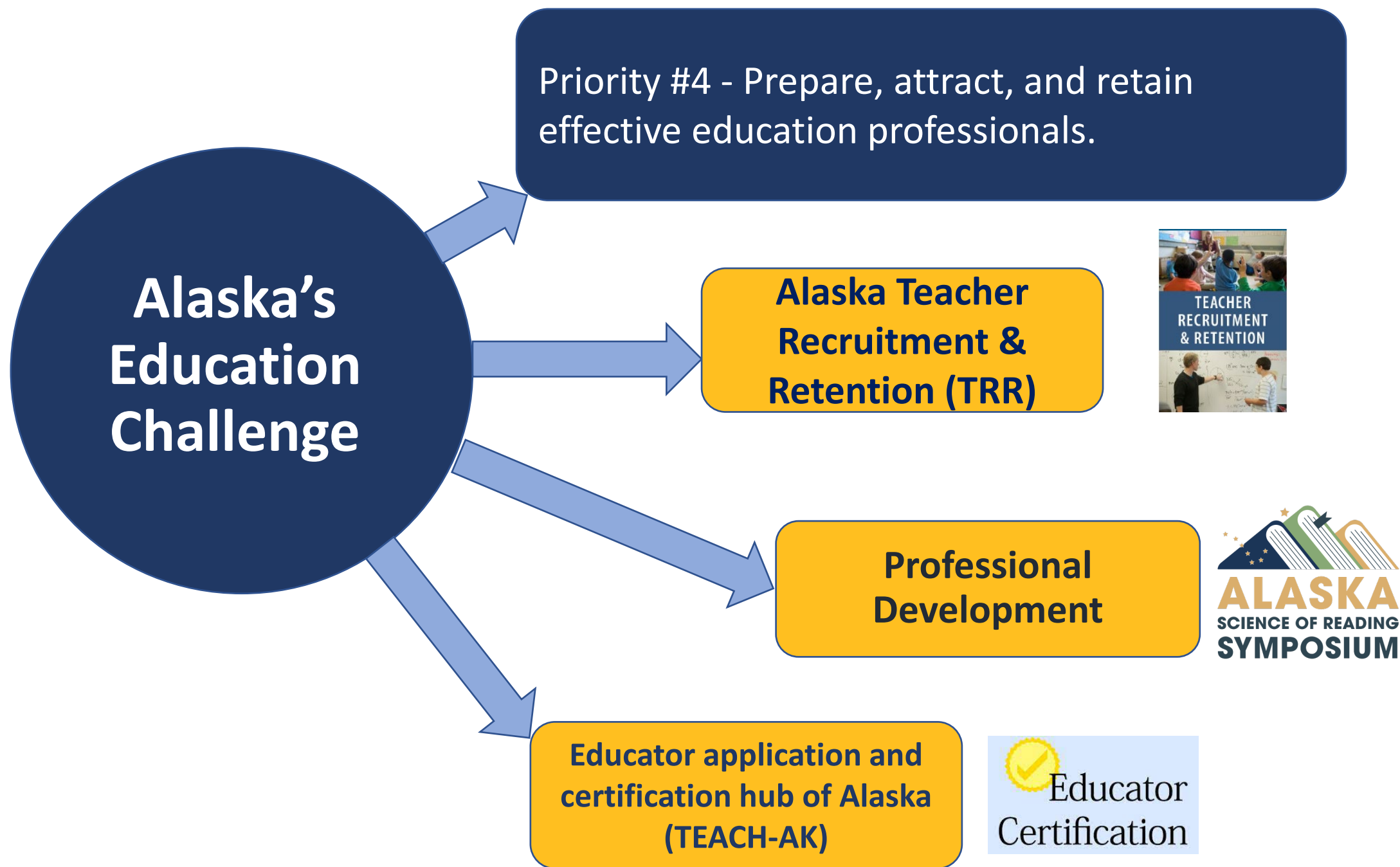


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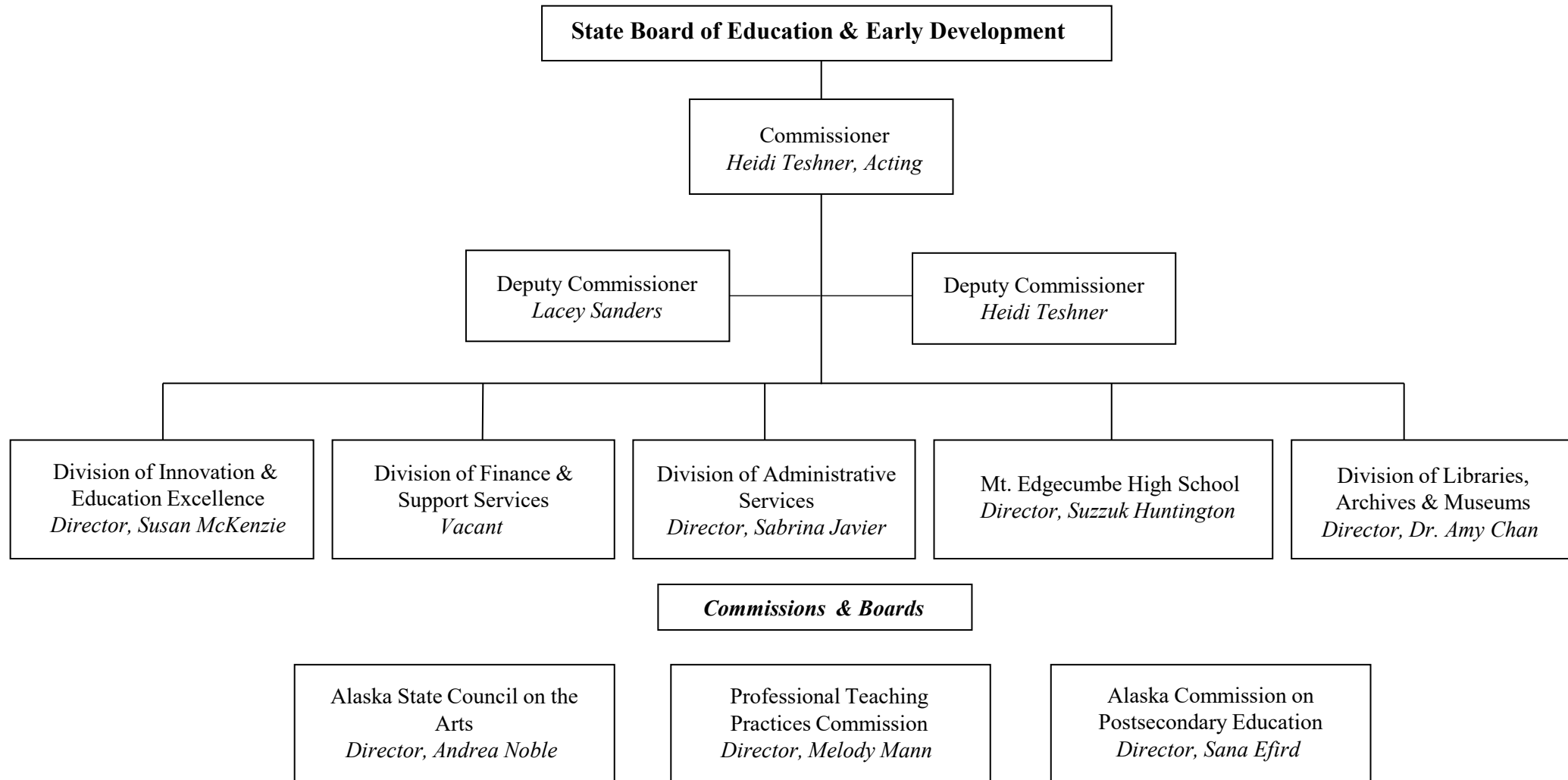






# Overview of the Department of Education & Early Development

# DEED Organizational Chart



# About DEED

- FY2023 – 290 total positions (267 Full-time; 10 Part-time; 13 Non-Perm)
- Nine divisions –
  1. Executive Administration
    - Provides policy direction and support to Alaska's school districts, schools, students, parents, teachers, and department programs that increase student achievement.
  2. Administrative Services
    - Provides centralized administrative management and financial, budget, procurement, human resources, and information technology support services to the department divisions; and state facilities rent.
  3. Finance and Support Services
    - Allocates and accounts for resources distributed to Alaska school districts and Mt. Edgecumbe Boarding School and provides services that promote safe facilities which support quality education programs.
  4. Innovation and Education Excellence
    - Provides support through federal program funding and compliance; academic standards, academic assessment and accountability; state system of support to increase school effectiveness; and active partnerships.

# About DEED (con't)

- Nine divisions (con't) –

- 5. Libraries, Archives and Museums (LAM)

- Provides the public with access to government information; collects, organizes, preserves, and makes available materials that document the history of the state; and promotes the development of libraries, archives and museums statewide.
    - Andrew P. Kashevaroff Building in Juneau; Sheldon Jackson Museum & Stratton Library in Sitka

- 6. Mt. Edgecumbe High School (MEHS)

- State run boarding school located in Sitka, provides educational opportunities to just over 400 students from 111 villages and communities

- 7. Professional Teaching Practices Commission (PTPC)

- Serves as a preventative and positive force in working to enhance the professional performance of all educators, and ensures that members of the teaching profession in Alaska are qualified and ethical educators.

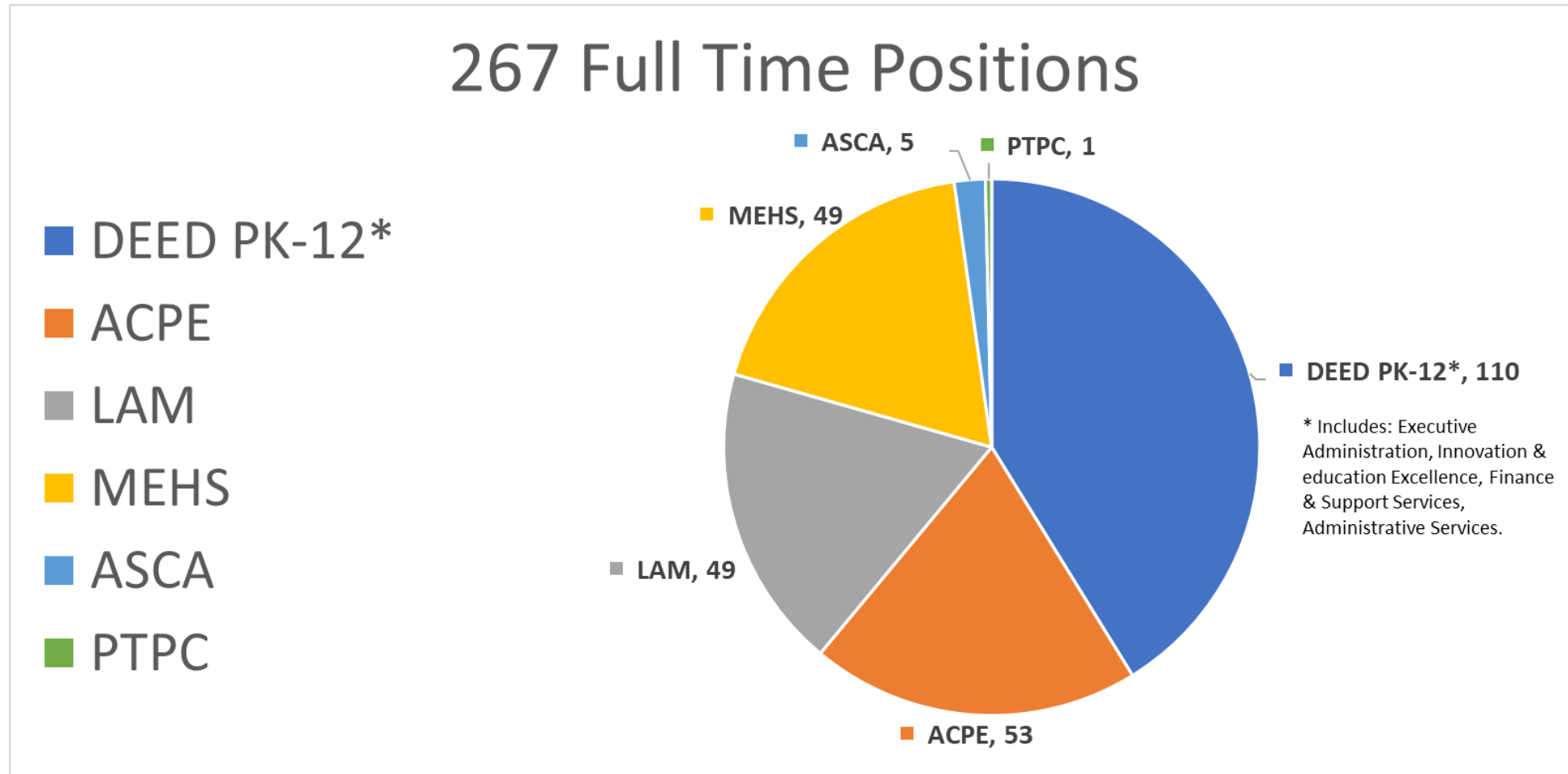
- 8. Alaska State Council on the Arts (ASCA)

- A public corporation that promotes and develops the arts for all Alaskans through education, partnerships, grants, and services.

- 9. Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE)

- Promotes access to and success in education and career training after high school; increases Alaska's physician workforce by providing public medical education to Alaskans and by providing residency training for medical school graduates (WWAMI Medical Education); Alaska Performance Scholarship Awards; and the Alaska Student Loan Corporation.

# About DEED (con't)



# Public School Funding Formula

# Public School Funding

- Public school funding is established under AS 14.17
- Funding consists of State Aid, Required Local Contribution, and Federal Impact Aid
- The amount of State Aid a school district is eligible to receive during the Fiscal Year is calculated annually through the school funding formula (AS 14.17.410)
- To begin the funding calculation, an average daily membership (ADM) for each school must be determined

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[Public School Funding Program Overview](#)

# Annual Count Period

**Each Fall, every district is required to conduct a 20-day student count to determine their Average Daily Membership (ADM).**

**Districts must submit their student count data (ADM) to the department two weeks after the count period ends (AS 14.17.600).**

- The department uses ADM data to determine a district's State Aid eligibility and funding
  - 2022-2023 school year count period: October 3 – October 28, 2022
  - 2022-2023 school year count period submittal date: November 11, 2022

# Hold Harmless Provision

- Districts that experience a five percent or more enrollment loss trigger the hold harmless provision (AS 14.17.410(b)(1)(E)).
- Eligibility is determined after the district's adjusted for school size ADM are calculated and totaled up for all schools.
- The provision is available to school districts over a three-year step-down:
  - 75% in the first year,
  - 50% in the second year, and
  - 25% in the final year, provided the adjusted for school size ADM total stays below the established "base year".

# Public School Funding Formula

Total Average Daily Membership (ADM)	School Size Table	District Cost Factor  x 1.0 to 2.116	Special Needs Factor  x 1.20	Vocation Education Factor  x 1.015	Special Education Intensives  x 13	Corres- pondence ADM  x 90%
AS 14.17.600	AS 14.17.450	AS 14.17.460	AS 14.17.420 (a)(1)	AS 14.17.420 (a)(3)	AS 14.17.420 (a)(2)	AS 14.17.430

= District Adjusted ADM

# Public School Funding Formula

District Adjusted ADM	Base Student Allocation (BSA)  x \$5,930	Basic Need  =	Required Local Contribution  Less	Deductible Impact Aid  Less	State Aid  =	Quality Schools  Plus
	AS 14.17.470		AS 14.17.410 (b)(G)(2)		AS 14.17.410 (b)(1)	AS 14.17.480

= State Aid

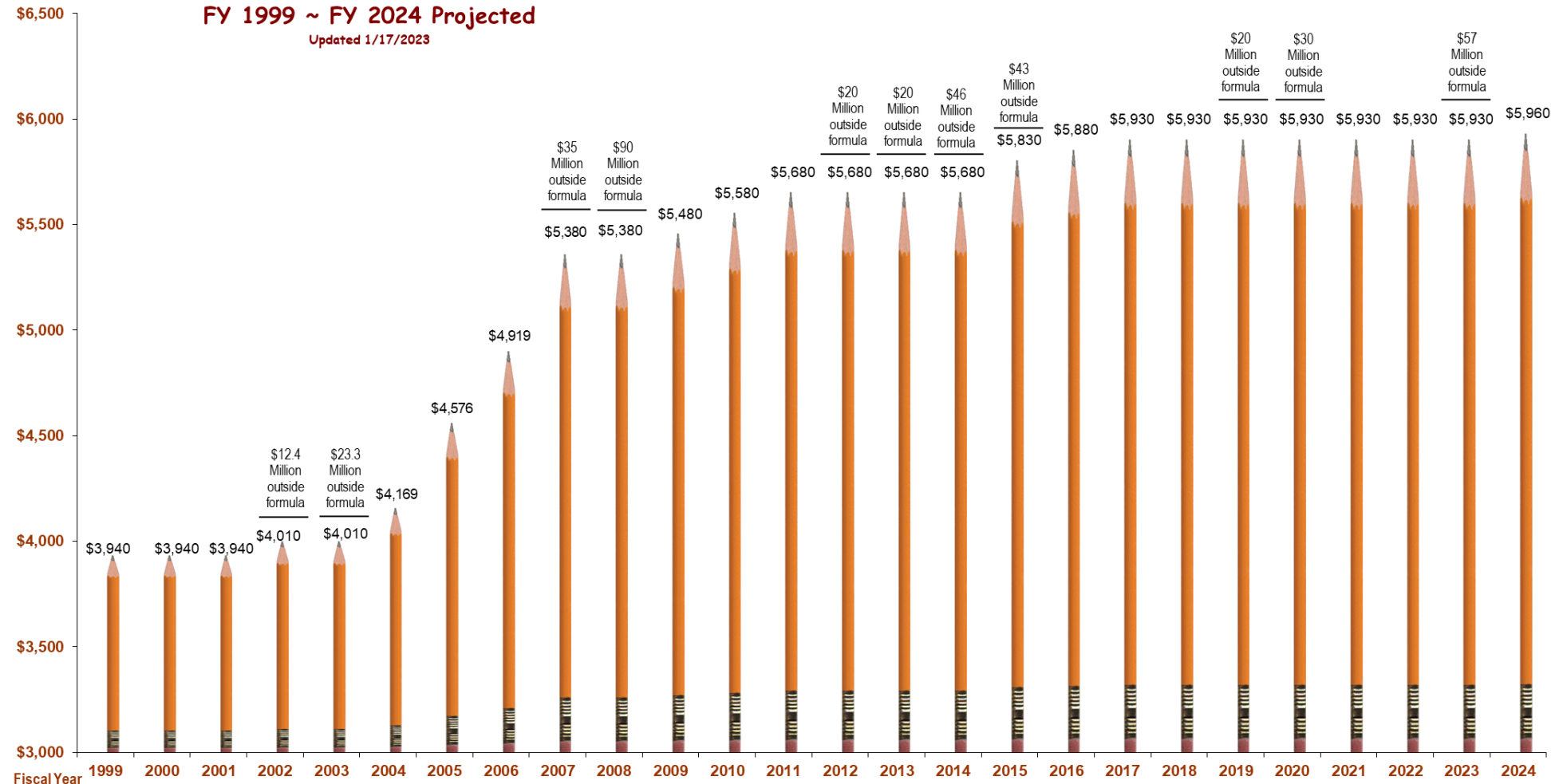
AS 14.17.410

# Base Student Allocation (BSA) Funding

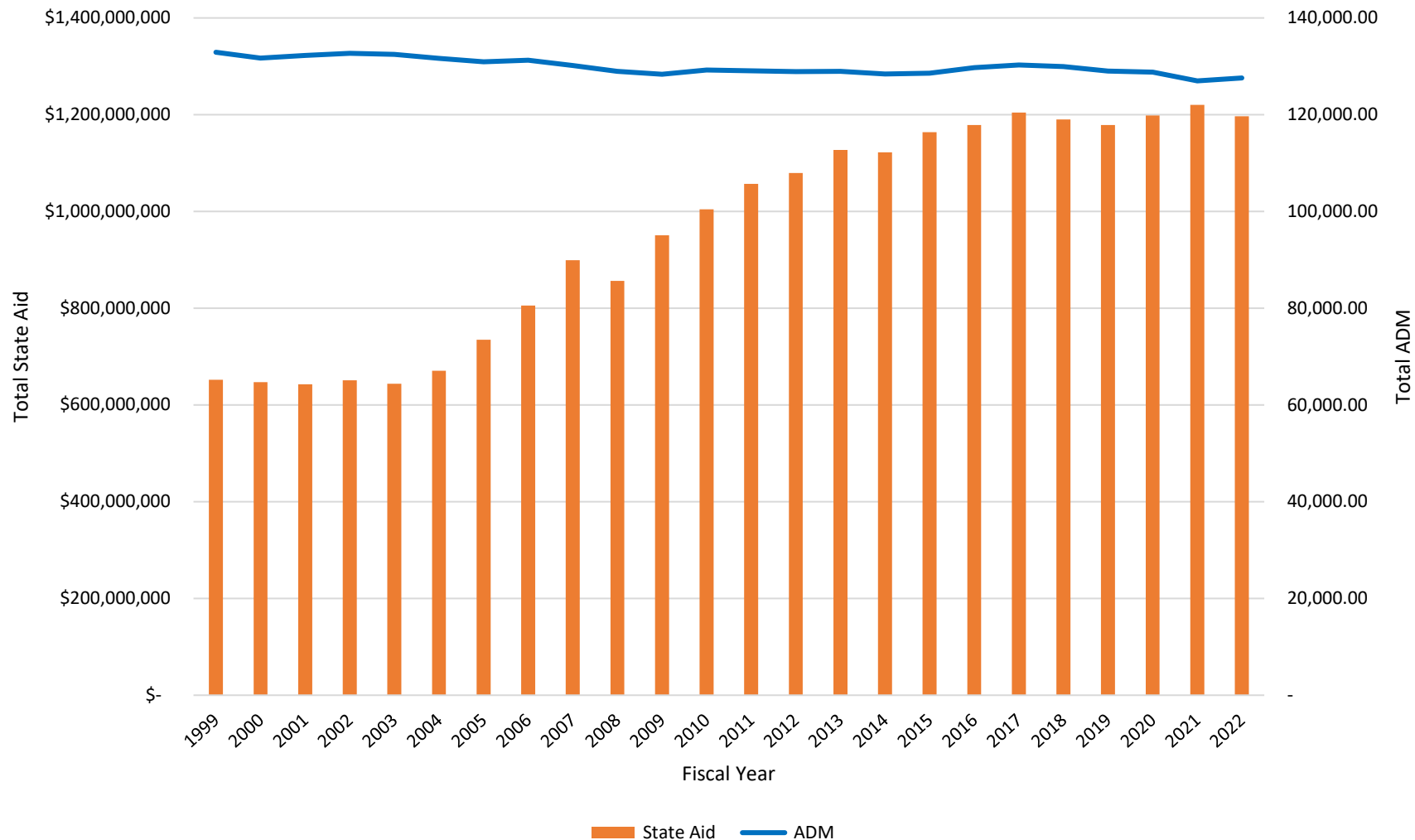
## Alaska K-12 Funding

Base Student Allocation  
FY 1999 ~ FY 2024 Projected

Updated 1/17/2023



# Total State Aid vs Total Average Daily Membership (ADM)



Fiscal Year	State Aid	ADM
1999	\$ 652,107,209	132,904.81
2000	\$ 647,031,346	131,696.48
2001	\$ 642,886,367	132,256.25
2002	\$ 651,085,795	132,669.66
2003	\$ 643,826,982	132,484.79
2004	\$ 670,534,607	131,622.55
2005	\$ 734,921,618	130,927.70
2006	\$ 805,207,674	131,263.47
2007	\$ 899,133,207	130,164.21
2008	\$ 856,541,071	128,975.24
2009	\$ 950,458,113	128,380.75
2010	\$ 1,004,145,110	129,228.67
2011	\$ 1,057,022,030	129,046.71
2012	\$ 1,079,619,305	128,885.84
2013	\$ 1,127,079,888	128,965.51
2014	\$ 1,122,281,362	128,435.21
2015	\$ 1,163,971,736	128,580.18
2016	\$ 1,178,637,851	129,704.71
2017	\$ 1,204,554,398	130,295.33
2018	\$ 1,190,395,224	129,954.16
2019	\$ 1,178,474,856	129,004.93
2020	\$ 1,198,461,584	128,796.81
2021	\$ 1,220,086,163	127,015.30
2022	\$ 1,196,962,867	127,584.88

# School District Budget and Actual Reporting

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- School District Operating Budgets – due by July 15 of each fiscal year per 4 AAC 09.110. The department reviews all budgets to ensure compliance with Alaska statutes and regulations.
- Audited Financial Statements – due by November 15 each year
  - AS 14.14.050 requires the school board in each school district to obtain an audit of all school accounts for the school year.
- Operating Fund Reports – by district and function
  - *Uniform Chart of Accounts and Account Code Descriptions for Public School Districts*
- Annual Revenue Report – required per AS 14.03.120(b)

<https://education.alaska.gov/schoolfinance/budgetsactual>

# COVID Funding Dashboard

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## COVID Relief Funding Resources



Resources for School Districts




Resources for Families and the Public



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[Novel Coronavirus Disease 2019 \(COVID-19\) - Education and Early Development \(alaska.gov\)](https://alaska.gov/education/covid-19)


## Alaska K-12 Education COVID-19 Federal Relief Funding MAIN DASHBOARD



Feedback

**Want more information?**

- COVID Relief \$\$ FAQs & Fact Sheets
- COVID Relief Funding Guidelines: A Resource...
- The Compass: A Guide to Alaska's Public Sc...
- Alaska School District Contact Information



### Overview

Funding to support K-12 education in response to the COVID-19 pandemic was provided to Alaska through three relief Acts: the (1) Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act; the (2) Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act; and (3) the American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act.

Each Act contained specific set-asides, or funding allocations, to school districts (also referred to as local education agencies or LEAs), state education agencies (also referred to as the SEA or the state education department), and the Office of the Governor.

The purpose of this dashboard is to provide the public with information on how much federal funding was granted to each entity and how each entity has chosen to spend the funds to date.

Questions? Please check out the 'Want more information?' section above or feel free to email DEED.CARES@alaska.gov.

#### 1. CARES Act Overview

The Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security (CARES) Act was signed into law on March 27, 2020.

In addition to providing a variety of waivers for assessments, accountability, reporting and funding carryover, the CARES Act provides funding and flexibility for states to respond to the COVID-19 pandemic in K-12 schools.

#### 2. CRRSA Act Overview

The Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations (CRRSA) Act was signed into law on December 27, 2020.

The CRRSA Act provides funding to support fully reopening K-12 schools, facilitate continuity of learning, and measure and address the learning loss caused by a lack of in-person learning opportunities.


#### 3. ARP Act Overview

The American Rescue Plan (ARP) Act was signed into law on March 11, 2021.


The ARP Act provides funding to help meet a wide range of needs arising from the COVID-19 pandemic, including reopening schools safely, sustaining their safe operation, and addressing students' social, emotional, mental health, and academic needs resulting from the pandemic.

### Funding by Entity - Dashboard Links


School Districts




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Office of the Governor



Non-Public Schools



[Terminology Quick Reference Guide \(scroll\)](#)

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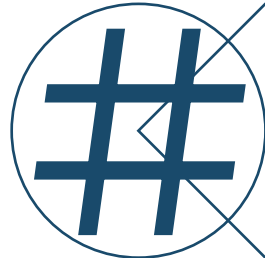
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