



# Back to School



# Anchorage School District

## Announcements

- **Registration for all students will be held the week of August 3, 2009. See details below.**
- **Students in grades 2-12 start school Wednesday, August 19.**
- **Students in grades K-1 start school Tuesday, August 25.**

## Registration

[www.asdk12.org/BacktoSchool](http://www.asdk12.org/BacktoSchool)

For assistance determining the school your child will attend, please call Demographics, 348-5190. School boundaries also can be found online through our School Finder search program. All students attending an alternative or charter school for the first time should register at that school. Proof of residency, such as a utility or phone bill, contract of purchase or lease agreement will be verified for:

- New-to-school or new-to-district students (including kindergarten) registering at any school.
- All students, new or returning, at those schools which were involved in boundary changes for this school year.
- Students attending a school on a zone exemption.

This year, all parents must fill out an updated student contact information form. The form will help the district make sure its schools have current, up-to-date contact information for each student. Parents can save time at registration by filling out the contact form in advance. Look for the "Zangle form" link on the upper left corner of the district's Web site at [www.asdk12.org](http://www.asdk12.org) for a downloadable form.

## Elementary School

[www.asdk12.org/BacktoSchool/elementary.asp](http://www.asdk12.org/BacktoSchool/elementary.asp)

All new and returning elementary school students must register on August 4, 5 or 6. Registration is held at each school. Kindergarten students must be 5 years old on or before September 1, 2009.

### Register on these dates:

**August 4 . . . . . 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. (last names A-L)**

**August 5 . . . . . 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. (last names M-Z)**

**August 5 . . . . . 7–9 p.m. (last names A-Z)**

**August 6 . . . . . 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. (make-up, A-Z)**

Students who are not registered will not be placed on a class list prior to the first day of school.

Due to construction, Chester Valley students will register at Begich Middle School and Sand Lake students will register at Dimond High School.

## Middle School

[www.asdk12.org/BacktoSchool/middle.asp](http://www.asdk12.org/BacktoSchool/middle.asp)

Parents of new-to-district middle school students and in-district transfers should contact their school to schedule an appointment with the registrar. Schedules not picked up on the assigned day will be dropped from the computer at the end of the day and students will have to reschedule.

### Register on these dates.

**All locations will be closed from 11 a.m. – noon for lunch.**

**August 4 . . . . . 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. 8th grade**

**August 5 . . . . . 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. 7th grade**

**August 5 . . . . . 4–7 p.m. grades 6–8**

**August 6 . . . . . 8 a.m. – 3 p.m. 6th-grade (Begich, Clark & Mirror Lake); 7th & 8th grades make-up**

## High School

[www.asdk12.org/BacktoSchool/high.asp](http://www.asdk12.org/BacktoSchool/high.asp)

New-to-district high school students and in-district transfers should call the school to schedule an appointment. Students may pick up their schedules on their registration date listed below. Students must clear all fines/charges from the 2008-09 school year before they can activate their class schedule. Schedules not picked up on the assigned day will be dropped from the computer at the end of the day and students will have to reschedule.

### Alphabetical rotation for each day:

**Last name A-L . . . 8–11 a.m. Last name M-Z . . . 12–3 p.m.**

**August 3 . . . . . Seniors August 5 . . . . . Sophomores**

**August 4 . . . . . Juniors August 6 . . . . . Freshmen**

## Back-to-school supplies

[www.asdk12.org/BacktoSchool/supplies.asp](http://www.asdk12.org/BacktoSchool/supplies.asp)

A backpack, pencils, pens and a clean pair of athletic shoes (no black or blue soles) for physical education class are recommended for students of all ages. A general elementary school supply list is available online or at school registration. Free school supplies and coats are available to ASD students in need through the HUGSS and Coats for Kids community partnership. Information on HUGSS distribution dates will be available at registration, by calling 644-8477 or on the district's Web site in the back to school section.

## H1N1 virus information

[www.asdk12.org/EPrep/flu.asp](http://www.asdk12.org/EPrep/flu.asp)

ASD will follow CDC and Municipality of Anchorage Dept. of Health and Human Services guidelines regarding the H1N1 virus. This means that students and staff will be asked to stay home for seven days from the start of symptoms, even if they are feeling better. They also must be symptom free for at least 24-hours before returning to school.

## A Word from Carol Comeau, Superintendent

I recently came across comments from young people posting notes on their Facebook and social media pages about the best classes they've taken. These students will likely reminisce about their schooling for many years to come. All of the hard work put forward by teachers is not easily forgotten over the years. I still run into my former students on the streets of Anchorage. I remember many of them and they too recognize me. A lot of those former students of mine now have children who have also earned their diplomas from ASD.

It's good to know that a small role played in a person's youth is a piece to a puzzle of a successful life. This coming school year, teachers will have many opportunities to help shape and encourage completion of each child's puzzle. This school year, there are a lot of new opportunities, or pieces if you will, to fit into each child's unique puzzle.

The district is working diligently to keep students from slipping through the cracks and dropping out of school. When the district's new graduation rate is released in a few days, I think the community will be very pleased to learn that our strategic and dedicated efforts are paying off. Throughout the upcoming year, we will be implementing a number of additional programs and efforts to make sure students stay on the right track and earn a diploma.

Our efforts will begin as early as elementary school with data analysis that can alert educators if a student is in danger of falling behind and eventually dropping out of school. We will work to increase participation in college and career readiness assessments to students in middle and high school. In addition, middle school students will develop individual college/career plans that will be updated annually. These efforts complement the accomplishments already made by the graduation support coordinators brought on board to the comprehensive high schools last year to assist high school students at risk of not graduating. Also, the district will continue the design and creation of a high school master plan that will meet the needs of 21st century students.

For our youngest students, we will be expanding our preschool program in Title I schools. Children in our current preschool programs are thriving and we believe that additional program offerings will ensure that students are entering kindergarten with the skills they need to be successful learners.

Behind the scenes, the district is also focusing heavily on an effort to systematize Response to Instruction, a different way of thinking that will help teachers identify struggling students and bring them up to speed without negatively affecting the students making sufficient progress. RTI implementation will include curriculum renewal, professional development, and funding for extended learning time for students as well as parent outreach activities and trainings. It also will include transition programs for students moving from elementary to middle and then on to high school that addresses students' academic, behavioral, social and emotional needs.

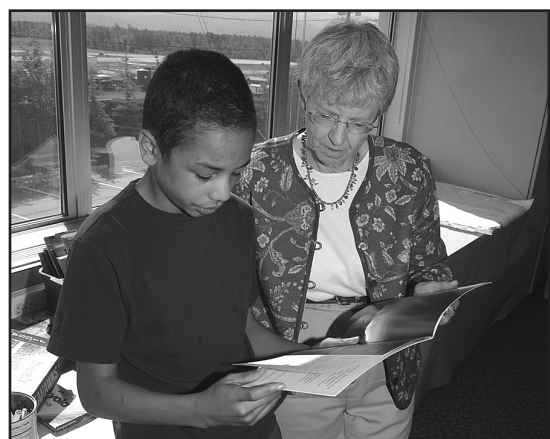
A technology restructure and refurbishment will give technologically advanced teachers more time in the classroom by putting tech support staff in the schools. It will also put wireless Internet systems in four high, two middle and 14 elementary schools to support the growing use of online curriculum. Districtwide, the computer system will undergo a network upgrade and several servers will be replaced to help keep the district functioning.

Most of these projects listed above are made possible through the use of federal stimulus dollars. We are fortunate and excited to have the opportunity to use the funds for these projects. We believe they will enhance efforts to educate all of our students for success in life, including our students who are English language learners, have disabilities, are economically disadvantaged and our military student population that face many challenges outside of the regular school day and need a little bit of extra support at school.

On behalf of my entire staff, I can honestly say that we are committed and dedicated to providing a quality education for every student in this community. We appreciate your continued support and together we will do our very best to make sure all of the pieces of each child's puzzle come together to create a successful life.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any comments or questions. I can be reached at 742-4312 or [comeau\\_carol@asdk12.org](mailto:comeau_carol@asdk12.org).

Most Sincerely,  
*Carol Comeau*



## Registration for limited-English-proficient students, grades 7–12

The English Language Learner Program will conduct assessments for placement of 7-12 grade students who are new to the district and have limited English proficiency.

Assessments will be held August 3–6, 8:30 a.m. – 3 p.m. at the bilingual Newcomers' Center, King Career Center, 2650 E. Northern Lights Blvd. For more information call the English Language Learner Office, 742-4452.

Matrícula de estudiantes con limitaciones en el idioma inglés, 7-12 grado.

El Programa de Aprendizaje de Ingles evaluará a los estudiantes nuevos al Distrito Escolar que tengan limitaciones con el inglés, en agosto 3-6, con el propósito de ubicarlos apropiadamente. Las evaluaciones se llevaran a cabo de 8:30 a.m.- 3 p.m. en el Bilingual Newcomers' Center, King Career Center, 2650 E. Northern Lights Blvd.

Para mayor información llamar a la El Programa de Aprendizaje de Ingles, 742-4452.

Pagpapatala ng mga mag-aaral na hindi gaanong bihasa sa wikang English, ika 7-12 baitang.

Ang para sa mga Nag-aaral ng Ingles ay magsasagawa ng pagsusuri sa mga mag-aaral na baguhan sa Pampaaralang Distrito ng Anchorage na hindi pa gaanong bihasa sa wikang English. Ito ay upang mailagay ang bawat mag-aaral sa klase ayon sa kanilang kakayahan sa nasabing wika. Ang pagsusuri ay gagawin sa Sentrong Pambaguhang Bilingual (Newcomers Center) na nasa King Career Center, 2650 E. Northern Lights Blvd., 8:30 n.g.- 3 n.h., Agosto 3–6.

Para sa dagdag na katanungan, tumawag sa para sa mga Nag-aaral ng Ingles 742-4452.

Mo Alo ma Fanau e Faalelava le Gagana Faa-peretania Resitalaina mo tamaiti a'oga e fa'alelava le gagana Faa-Peretania, vasega 7 e o'o i le 12

O le a fa'ataunu'uina e tagata faigaluega mai le Polokalame o le A'oa'oina o le Gagana Fa'a-Peretania, (English Language Learner program), ni su'esu'ega mo alo ma fanau e fou mai i leni itumalo ia Aukuso 3-6.

O le a amataina nei su'esu'ega mai le 8:30 taeo - 3:00 aoauli i le potu ua ta'ua o le Bilingual's Newcomers' Center, i le tuatusi o le King Career Center, 2650 E. Northern Lights Blvd.

A i ai ni fesili i lea fuafuaga, ia fa'afeso'ota'i le ofisa o Polokalame o le A'oa'oina o le Gagana Fa'a-Peretania (English Language Learner Program), i le 742-4452.

이중언어교육 프로그램과는 7 - 12 학년 학생으로 새로이 교육청에 입학 하는 학생으로 영어가 비능숙한 학생들에게 영어 배치를 위해 영어 수준 시험을 실시 합니다.

이 시험 기간은 8월 3일 - 6일 시간은 오전 8:30분에서 오후 3시이며 장소는 King Career Center 내에 있는 Newcomers' Center, 주소는 2650 E. Northern Lights Blvd. 입니다.

추가 문의는 이중언어 사무실 전화 742-4452 로 하시면 됩니다.

## For more information

**Anchorage School Board and Superintendent**  
John Steiner, President, 696-2629, [steiner\\_john@asdk12.org](mailto:steiner_john@asdk12.org)  
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**MECAC:** The mission of the Multicultural Education Concerns Advisory Committee (MECAC) is to serve as the voice for families in the Anchorage School District and to promote educational success for minority students. The MECAC meets on the third Thursday of every month at 4:30 p.m. at 5530 E. Northern Lights Blvd., Conference Room 150.

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## Student Nutrition

The Anchorage School District provides free and reduced-price meals for elementary, middle, and this school year, high school students. Under the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program, the household size and income criteria listed below are used to determine eligibility for the 2009-10 school year. This income chart is adjusted each year by the federal government.

### FEDERAL INCOME CHART—REDUCED-PRICE MEALS

Family Size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$25,031	\$2,086	\$482
2	\$33,689	\$2,808	\$648
3	\$42,347	\$3,529	\$815
4	\$51,005	\$4,251	\$981
5	\$59,663	\$4,972	\$1,148
6	\$68,321	\$5,694	\$1,314
7	\$76,979	\$6,415	\$1,481
8	\$85,637	\$7,137	\$1,647

for each additional family member, add:  
\$ 8,658 ..... \$722 ..... \$167

### FEDERAL INCOME CHART—FREE MEALS

Family Size	Yearly	Monthly	Weekly
1	\$ 17,589	\$1,466	\$339
2	\$ 23,673	\$1,973	\$456
3	\$ 29,757	\$2,480	\$573
4	\$ 35,841	\$2,987	\$690
5	\$ 41,925	\$3,494	\$807
6	\$ 48,009	\$4,001	\$924
7	\$ 54,093	\$4,508	\$1,041
8	\$ 60,177	\$5,015	\$1,158

for each additional family member:  
\$6,084 ..... \$507 ..... \$117

You may discuss your application status informally or formally by calling or writing to: Director of Student Nutrition, 1307 Labar Street, Anchorage, AK 99519-3516. Phone: 907-348-5142.

## Breakfast program

Breakfast is available for \$1.80 at the following elementary and middle schools: Abbott Loop, Airport Hts., Alaska Native Cultural Charter, Baxter, Begich MS, Campbell, Central MS, Chester Valley, Chinook, Chugiak Elementary, Clark MS, College Gate, Creekside Park, Denali, Eagle River Elementary, Fairview, Gladys Wood, Government Hill, Hanshew MS, Kasuun, Klatt, Lake Hood, Lake Otis, Mirror Lake MS, Mountain View, Mt. Iliamna, Muldoon, North Star, Northern Lights, Northwood, Nunaka Valley, Ptarmigan, Rogers Park, Romig MS, Russian Jack, Scenic Park, Susitna, Taku, Tudor, Tyson, Ursa Major, Ursa Minor, Wendler MS, Whaley, Williwaw, Willow Crest, Wonder Park.

Breakfast is available for \$2.25 at all eight comprehensive high schools.

## Free and reduced-price meals for students

### Who is eligible

Children from households whose size and income is at or below the criteria are eligible to receive free or reduced-price meals for the school year effective July 1, 2009 – June 30, 2010. Income plus Permanent Fund Dividend information will be totaled. A household or family is defined as a group of related or unrelated individuals who are living as one economic unit. Children who are members of households that are approved for Food Stamps or Alaska Temporary Assistance Program (ATAP), or Temporary Assistance to Native Families (TANF) are automatically eligible for free meals. Foster children, as the legal responsibility of a welfare agency or court, may also be eligible for benefits regardless of the household income where they reside.

### How to apply

#### Applications must be submitted annually

If your children participated in the free and reduced-price meal program last year, you have a 30-day (30 school days) carryover period this school year. Your children's eligibility will end on the 31st school day if you have not submitted a new application for the current school year. To avoid confusion and disruption of your students' benefits, please apply early.

Applications will be distributed to all elementary, middle and high schools at registration, and will be available at the schools, ASD Education Center, and Student Nutrition Dept. Applications also are available online at [www.asdk12.org](http://www.asdk12.org). Click on "menus" under the Parents/Students section. Online applications also are available in Spanish, Samoan, Hmong, Tagalog, Korean and Yupik.

Instructions for applying are on the back of the application. More details are available on a separate question/answer sheet. Please submit one application per family. Processing time is 10 working days. Parents **are responsible** for their child(ren)'s meals until notified by letter, which is **sent to the address of registration**.

**Applications must be complete to be eligible for processing.** Incomplete applications **must** be returned. Information on the application will be used for the purpose of determining eligibility and use in Title I grants. Applications may be verified at any time during the school year.

### Lunch prices

Elementary: \$3.15; middle school: \$3.55; high school: \$4.00. **Reduced-price breakfast:** 30¢; **Reduced-price lunch:** 40¢; **milk:** 50¢.

## Special message for Food Stamp (ATAP), (TANF), migrant applicants

Student Nutrition now receives automatic electronic data import for the households who normally receive the Food Stamp/Alaska Temporary Assistance Program (ATAP), (TANF) School Meal Direct Certification notices from Division of Public Assistance. Student Nutrition then sends letters advising households of their child(ren)'s status. Any eligible household, not advised through the electronic import process, and who have written certification from Public Assistance, may submit same as a meal application or use a regular application listing their case number. Electronic imports are also received from Migrant Education and families are advised of their status.

## Transferring schools

Some district schools may be designated as Provision Schools, which allows the schools to feed all students free without applications. However, if students from such schools should transfer within this district to regular schools that participate in the Free and Reduced-price Meal Program with applications, then *the transfer student must have* an application at that time if they want to be considered for the program from that point forward. Otherwise, it is not necessary to complete a new application when transferring between regular district schools. Schools where students are automatically fed free are: Alaska Native Cultural Charter, Fairview, Mt. Iliamna, Mountain View, Muldoon, North Star, Tyson, Whaley, Willow Crest and Williwaw elementaries and Clark MS.

## Reapplication

You may apply for benefits anytime during the school year. If you are not eligible now, but have a change, such as decrease in household income, (send written verification of same), an increase in household size, become unemployed or start to receive Food Stamps or Alaska Temporary Assistance for your children, complete a new application.

## Other benefits

**Anchorage School District Child In Transition/Homeless Project** – contact 742-3833.

**Denali KidCare** – You may be eligible for free health insurance for your children. Call 269-6529 or 1-888-318-8890.

**WIC (Women, Infants & Children)** – You may be eligible for nutritious foods. Contact 257-4633.

## Special Education Services

### Contact information

The Special Education Department employs specialists, administrators and teachers with specialized expertise, certification and/or license to design, implement and supervise special education services of the district. The STEP Center provides a variety of services, information and training for parents of special education students. For more information regarding special education services, please contact one of the following:

**STEP Center** ..... **742-3872**

#### Preschool and Elementary Special Education

**Doug Gray, Director** ..... **742-3895**

#### Middle and High School Special Education and Special School Programs

**Cindy Anderson, Director** ..... **742-3888**

#### Related Services (Psychology, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy, Audiology, Speech Therapy, Adaptive P.E., Blind/Visually Impaired Services, Hard of Hearing Services, Assistive Technology)

**Diane Poage, Director**

**Cindy Higgins, Supervisor** ..... **742-6050**

#### Special Education Administration Office

**Jerry Sjolander, Executive Director** ..... **742-4236**

## Educational needs of children with disabilities

Special education means the specifically designed instruction, at no cost to the parents, to meet the unique needs of a child with a disability. Specially designed instruction means adapting content, methodology, or delivery of instruction to address the unique needs of the child and to ensure access of the child to the general curriculum. Special education is a service, not a place.

## Eligibility for Special Education services

Two federal laws protect children with disabilities, the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act and Section 504 of the Vocational Rehabilitation Act (IDEA) of 1973. Children experiencing disabilities are guaranteed a free appropriate public education (FAPE) under IDEA and Alaska State Regulations. Under IDEA, a child with a disability is one who has a physical or mental disability as defined in one of 14 eligibility categories, the disability adversely affects the educational performance of the child, and because of the disability the child is in need of special education and related services. The areas of eligibility are autism, deafness, deaf blindness, early childhood developmental delay, emotional disturbance, hearing impairment, specific learning disability, mental retardation, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairment, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, and visual impairment. Section 504 defines disabled as "any person who has a physical or mental disability which substantially limits a major life activity or has a record of such a disability or is regarded as having such a disability." For information about whether your child may qualify for services under IDEA or Section 504, contact an administrator at your child's school.

## Rights of children with disabilities

IDEA provides for a Free Appropriate Public Education to all children experiencing disabilities in the least restrictive environment. This means services without charge to the parent, in conformity with an appropriately developed Individualized Education Program (IEP), provided at public expense under public supervision, and which meet the education standards and administrative policies and procedures of the state education agency. IDEA requires school districts to provide parents with opportunities to become involved in their child's educational program and to document that involvement. These rights place responsibility on the parent to become actively involved. Rights to which parents are entitled under IDEA are referred to as procedural safeguards. A copy of the procedural safeguards

is available at any school or through the ASD Web site at [www.asdk12.org/forms/uploads/procedural\\_safeguards.pdf](http://www.asdk12.org/forms/uploads/procedural_safeguards.pdf).

## Services available to children with disabilities

The Anchorage School District provides comprehensive educational services through the Special Education Department to all children who experience disabilities and have additional needs beyond those which can generally be met by the regular classroom program. Special education services are provided in all ASD schools, including alternative schools, optional schools, charter schools and special school programs. Services are designed by an IEP team in the least restrictive environment, including the parent as a contributing member. IDEA requires that a continuum of special education placements is available which includes support in the regular classroom supervised by special education personnel, direct service by special education personnel in the regular classroom, pull-out time from the regular classroom with service from special education personnel, self-contained special education classrooms, a special school, home or hospital instruction, or instruction in an institution. Since all components of the continuum cannot be provided in every neighborhood school, the IEP teams make every effort to provide the appropriate services for a student in a setting as close to his/her normal classroom as possible. In addition to providing the necessary special education services, the IEP team may determine a need for related services. Related services may include speech therapy, occupational therapy, physical therapy, counseling, specialized nursing services, audiology services and transportation.

## Confidentiality protections

The district maintains the confidentiality of information relating to students with disabilities. The district must obtain written consent before disclosing personally identifiable information to any person other than a school employee who has a legitimate educational interest, employees of the school in which the child is enrolled, or a representative of the United States Department of Education or the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development.

## ASD Online — [www.asdk12.org](http://www.asdk12.org)

### Web site highlights:

- Calendars
- Menus
- School board meeting agendas, policies, podcasts and more
- Construction updates
- Handbooks, forms and publications
- Employment information
- Activity and sports schedules
- Curriculum and standards

Staying up-to-date with district news, events and stories has never been easier. In addition to the Web site, which has a wealth of information, there are several other ways parents and the community can keep in touch with the district. Instead of seeking out information, the news can now come to you:

**Twitter** – Follow ASD\_Info or ASD\_Closures

**Facebook** – Become a fan of ASD at [Facebook.com/AnchorageSchoolDistrict](http://Facebook.com/AnchorageSchoolDistrict)

**ASD Connect** – Sign up to receive the new monthly e-newsletter at [www.asdk12.org/newsletters/](http://www.asdk12.org/newsletters/)

**E-mail lists** – Our "traditional" e-mail subscription lists are also still available for closures, news and board announcements.

## Zangle and Parent Connect

Starting this school year there will be a new way to

keep tabs on your child's progress. Zangle, the district's new student information system, will enable parents and students to get information online from the school any time it's convenient for them.

Zangle will give parents real-time access to their student's attendance, grades, transcripts and homework assignments through a secure internet connection. The Parent Connect portal also will allow parents to directly contact their child's teacher to discuss academics, attendance or other concerns. If families have more than one student in ASD, the Zangle system is set up so parents will only have to log in once to access all of their students' information. A letter explaining Zangle was recently mailed to all ASD students' homes. Included with that letter was a contact form that parents/guardians must fill out. Save time at registration by downloading and filling out the form ahead of time from [www.asdk12.org](http://www.asdk12.org), look for "Zangle form" in the Take Note section.



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## New-to-District Students

To complete registration, new-to-district students will need:

- Current official record of immunization for diphtheria, pertussis and tetanus – also known as D-P-T – and polio, measles, mumps, rubella, hepatitis A, hepatitis B and varicella on or before August 19.

- All children attending a preschool are required to register and be immunized against Haemophilus influenzae type b (Hib) and varicella or have a history of varicella disease (chicken pox). Students will be allowed to select courses but will not be allowed to attend classes until the immunization record is on file in the school. Tetanus-diphtheria (Td) boosters must be current (within the last 10 years).
- Birth certificate for kindergarten and first-grade students.
- Kindergarten students need to present a physical examination statement completed by a licensed physician, physician's assistant, or state authorized advanced nurse practitioner within 12 months prior to entry into kindergarten or within 90 days after entry into kindergarten.
- All students transferring into the district will receive a health screening by a school nurse within 90 days, to meet the physical examination requirement.

### Estudiantes Recién Llegados al Distrito Escolar

Para completar el registro, los estudiantes nuevos en el distrito necesitarán:

- El registro oficial actual de inmunización por difteria, tos ferina, tétanos – también conocidos como D-P-T – y polio, sarampión, paperas, rubéola, hepatitis A, hepatitis B y varicela e o antes del primer día de escuela. Todos los niños que asistan a preescolar requieren registrarse y estar inmunes contra la Haemophilus influenza tipo b (Hib) y varicela o tener un historial de varicela. Se le permitirá a los estudiantes seleccionar cursos pero no podrán asistir a clases hasta que el registro de inmunización esté en el archivo en la escuela. Los impulsores de tétanos- difteria (Td) deben estar al corriente (en los últimos 10 años).

- Acta de Nacimiento para jardín de niños y estudiantes de primer grado.

- Los estudiantes de jardín de niños necesitan presentar una declaración de examinación física llenada por médico con licencia, asistente de medico, o practicante de enfermería avanzada autorizado por el estado antes de 12 meses de la entrada a jardín de niños o durante los 90 días posteriores a la entrada al jardín de niños.

- Todos los estudiantes que sean transferidos al distrito recibirán un monitoreo de salud por la enfermera de la escuela en los siguientes 90 días, para cumplir con los requerimientos de examinación física.

### Mga Bagong Mag-aaral sa Purok ng Paaralang Anchorage (Anchorage School District)

Upang makompleto ang rehistrasyon, ang mga estudyanteng bago sa distrito ay manganailangan ng:

- Bagong opisyal na rekord ng bakuna laban sa dipteryang, pertusis at tetano – na kilala rin sa tawag na D-P-T – at polyo, tigidas, biki, rubella (German measles), hepatitis A, hepatitis B at bulutong-tubig sa o bago ang unang araw sa paaralan. Ang lahat ng batang papasok sa preschool ay kinakailangang magparchistro at mabakunahan laban sa Haemophilus influenza type b (Hib) at bulutong-tubig o may kasaysayan ng sakit na bulutong-tubig (chicken pox). Ang mga estudyante ay papahintulatang pumili ng mga kurso ngunit hindi papahintulatang dumalo sa mga klase hanggang ang rekord ng bakuna ay nakasalansan sa paaralan. Ang mga bakunang pampantalan ng lakas ng katawan laban sa Tetano-dipteryang (Td) ay kailangang bago (sa loob ng huling 10 taon).

- Sertipiko ng Kapanganakan para sa kindergarten at mga estudyante sa unang baitang.

- Ang mga estudyante sa kindergarten ay kailangang magpakita ng deklarasyon ng pisikal na iksaminasyon na kinumpleto ng isang lisensyadong doktor, assistant ng doktor, o propesyonal na nars na awtorisado ng estado sa loob ng 12 buwan bago ang pagpasok sa kindergarten o sa loob ng 90 araw pagkatapos pumasok sa kindergarten.
- Lahat ng estudyanteng lilipat papunta sa distrito ay tatanggap ng pagsusuri sa kalusugan na isasagawa ng nars ng paaralan sa loob ng 90 araw, upang matugunan ang rekisito sa pisikal na iksaminasyon.

### Mo Alo ma Fanau e Fou Mai i Lenei Itumalo

Ina ia mafai ona fa'amae'a le Lesitalaina, o tamaiti fou ile itumalo e mana'omia mea nei:

- Aumai le pepa tui lata mai nei ole diphtheria, pertussis ma le tetanus – poo le isi igoa ole D-P-T – ma le polio, misela, mumps, rubella, hepatitis A, hepatitis B ma le varicella, ile asa ole a'oga, pe e le'i o atu fo'i i lena'aso. O tamaiti a'oga fa'ata'ita'i (preschool) uma e mana'omia ona lestitala ma faia tui puipuia mai ile Haemophilus influenza type b (Hib) ma le varicella poo iai se talaga ole ma'i varicella (tane susu). E mafai e tamaiti a'oga ona filifili a latou matapu'a o'oga, e ce le faatagaina i vasega se'i vaganā ua iai pepa tui ile faila ale a'oga. O tui Tetanus-diphtheria (Td) e tatau ona faia ise taimi lata mai nei (poo totonu ole 10 tausaga faato'a mavae atu nei).

- Pepa fanau a tamaiti kindergarten ma le vasega muamua.
- E tatau fo'i i tamaiti a'oga ale Kindergarten ona iai se pepa e faailoa ai na faia a latou su'ega ole tino (physical examination) e se foma'i ua fa'alaiseneina, poo se foma'i fesoasoani, poo se teine/tama foma'i (nurse) faamaonia ale malo, i totonu ole 90 masina ae e le'i ulu atu ile kindergarten, poo i totonu ole 12 aso talu ona a'oga ile kindergarten.
- O tamaiti a'oga ua si'titia mai ile itumalo, ole a faia se latou su'ega ole sofua maloloina (health screening) e se foma'i ale

a'oga, i totonu ole 90 aso, pe ua latou ausia mana'oga ole u'ega ole tino (physical examination).

Coypu e 새로운 학생들을 등록을 위해 다음 사항이 필요합니다:

- 학교 첫 등교일이나 그 이전에 디프테리아, 백일해, 파상풍 (디프티 (DPT) 라고도 불림), 폴리오 (소아마비), 홍역, 이하진염, 풍진, A 형과 B 형 간염, 그리고 수두의 현재 면역수치를 맞은 기록증서, 프리스틀에 제학하는 모든 학생들은 해모필루스 인플루엔자 타입 b (Hib)와 수두에 대해 증명하고 이에 면역수치를 받아야 하고 또는 수두병 (지진카스, 황연)에 대해 증명하고 이에 면역이 합니다. 학생들은 학교에 면역 기록을 제출하기 전에는 학교를 선택할 수 있으나 교실에서 감수를 받을 수는 없습니다. 파상풍-디프테리아 (Td) 표본 축진제 (부스터)는 반드시 현재 능력이 있는 것이어야 합니다 (지난 10년 사이).

- 유치원 (킨더가든)과 일학년 학생들은 출생 증명서 필요.

- 유치원 학생들은 승인받은 의사, 의사 보조원, 또는 주정부가 승인한 고등 간호사로부터 유치원 입학전 12개월 사이나 유치원 입학후 90일 이내에 실시한 신체검사 증명서를 제출해야 합니다.

- 본 Coypu로 전학오는 모든 학생들은 신체검사를 필수사항을 충족하기 위해 90일내에 학교 간호실로부터 건강 검진을 받게 될 것입니다.

Parents must take official shot records to school registration for new-to-district students and to update school health records if new shots were given during the summer. Immunization exemptions may be granted for medical or religious reasons.

The number of vaccine doses for each required immunization varies depending upon a child's age, grade and prior vaccination history. **Please take your child's shot records with you to determine if vaccination is needed.** Childhood vaccines are available at physician offices, clinics, and public health centers throughout the community. **Immunizations are available at the following locations at no cost.**

**Department of Health and Human Services**  
**Municipality of Anchorage, General Clinic. . . . . 343-4799**

**Alaska Regional Hospital, Building B, #290 . . . . . 264-1350**  
*Third Saturday of each month*

**Anchorage Neighborhood Health Center**  
**Fairview. . . . . 257-4600**

**Mt. View . . . . . 257-4686**

**Alaska Native Medical Center, Pediatric Clinic . . . . . 729-1000**

**Providence Alaska Medical Center**  
**Children's Hospital at Providence. . . . . 261-4824**  
*C Tower, Suite 338, Glacier Desk, First Saturday of each month*

**Allergy/Immunization Center, Elmendorf AFB. . . . . 580-2000**

## Busing

District students who live more than 1.5 miles from their school, or who live along routes designated as hazardous for walking, are eligible to ride a school bus. Students who live less than 1.5 miles from school walk or arrange alternate transportation.

Bus schedules for the 2009–10 school year will be available at all schools during registration and will be posted on the Anchorage School District Web site: www.asdk12.org. For more information, contact the Transportation office, 742-1200.

## Graduation Requirements

Subject	Credits required
Language Arts . . . . .	4 credits (8 semesters)
Social Studies . . . . .	4 credits (8 semesters)
Mathematics . . . . .	2½ credits (5 semesters)
Sciences . . . . .	3 credits (6 semesters)
PE/Health . . . . .	1½ credits (3 semesters)
Electives. . . . .	7½ credits (15 semesters)
<b>Total . . . . .</b>	<b>22½ credits</b>

All students must pass the Alaska High School Graduation Qualifying Exams (reading, writing and math) prior to receiving a diploma, as well as fulfill ASD graduation requirements.

## Student Fees

### Non-resident Tuition

By state law, all non-resident students attending schools of this district shall pay, *in advance*, the regular school tuition rate (AS 9.030). This law pertains to students whose parents are not residents of the Municipality of Anchorage and who are not in the custody of a district resident (ASD Policy Section 431.21).

For more information about non-resident tuition, please contact the school principal.

### Student Parking

Students driving to school and parking on school grounds must register with the school office to obtain a parking permit. Vehicles parked on school grounds without parking permits are subject to fines and may be towed at the expense of the owner of the vehicle. The cost of the permit is \$50 per semester. Permits will be available at registration.

## Neighborhood Schools

The neighborhood schools in Anchorage offer a top quality and well-rounded standard school education program. More than 90 percent of Anchorage School District students enjoy the comprehensive curriculum in the neighborhood schools. The district's curriculum emphasizes the basic communication skills of reading, writing, speaking and listening. Students are schooled in mathematics, how to use a library and how to use and understand technology as a tool for learning and working. The standard program also includes social studies, health, science,

physical education, art and music. Remedial and advanced classes are available in a variety of subjects.

For more information about an individual school, call the school principal.

## Open Enrollment Policy

The Anchorage School District will continue with the limited open enrollment policy for students who wish to attend a school or program outside their regular attendance area for the 2009–10 school year. Gender and grade balances will be considered. No zone exemptions will be given for schools that have changed boundaries during the first year new boundaries are in effect.

### Application Procedures

- Complete an Attendance Zone Exception Application available from any school principal.

- If applicants outnumber openings, a lottery determines a waiting list from which students enter the program when space becomes available. Two lotteries are held annually, if needed. The next lottery will take place in March. For more information, please call 742-4321.

### Part-time Students

Students enrolled in correspondence, private or home school who wish to enroll part time (three classes or less) should contact district schools for an application form and register at the same time as district students.

## Alternatives and Specialized Programs

In addition to the standard school program, the district offers many alternative schools and programs. Other programs such as ELL, Gifted and Special Education, for which students are referred by teachers and other staff based on student assessment, are also available.

### AVAIL

Alternative Vocational Academic Institute of Learning (AVAIL) is an alternative program for students who have dropped out of high school. This program emphasizes development of self-esteem, pre-employment skills and remedial academic education. Call 742-4930 for more information.

### Benny Benson/SEARCH

Benny Benson Secondary School is for middle and high school students who have not experienced success in the standard school setting. Benson has a strict discipline policy and firm requirements for regular attendance, good behavior and consistent academic performance. Individual learning concerns are taken into account. Students in grades 10-12 attend school half of the day and are required to have a part-time job or attend a vocational class at the King Career Center for the other half of the day. For more information, call 742-2050.

### Central Middle School of Science

This school houses an alternative program with a math/science emphasis. Call 742-5100 for more information.

### Charter Schools

Charter schools are non-sectarian, public schools that operate within the district under contract with the school board. Any person, group or organization may apply to the school board to operate a charter school. Charter schools offer alternative teaching methods or curriculum and more independence than regular public schools, and set their own calendars.

Alaska Native Cultural (K-6) . . . . .	742-1370
Aquarian (K-6) . . . . .	742-4900
Eagle Academy (K-6) . . . . .	742-3025
Family Partnership (K-12 home school program) . 742-3700	
Frontier (K-12 home school program) . . . . .	742-1180
Highland Tech (7-12) . . . . .	742-1700
Rilke Schule (K-8) . . . . .	742-7455
Winterberry (K-8) . . . . .	742-4980

### Continuation School

The Continuation School is an individualized, computer-based instructional program for middle and high school students expelled from the Anchorage School District for violations of school policy. The program provides students with core academic instruction designed to meet the requirements for promotion to the next grade level and progress towards graduation. The program allows a student to continue to receive academic instruction while he or she is completing requirements for reinstatement into the school district. For more information call Continuation School, 742-1170.

### Creating Optimal High School Opportunities (COHO)

COHO primarily suits the needs of students who are behind in credit, who are not successful in their current educational setting or who need a different approach to learning. Students earn credits through online learning programs. Teachers are available to assist students who need direct one-on-one instruction, supplemental materials and course review. The program is self-paced and works best for students who are self motivated. Elective credit may also be earned through work experience. Students attend one half-day session and are expected to continue their work at home for additional time during the day. For more information, call COHO at 742-3028.

### Elementary Basic Schools (ABC)

A basic curriculum school's characteristics include self-contained classrooms, structured curriculum, character development, firm and consistent discipline, and regular homework.

Schools with this option include:

Birchwood ABC Elementary School (K-6) . . . . .	742-3450
Northern Lights ABC Elementary School (K-8) . . . . .	742-7500
Northwood ABC Elementary (K-6) . . . . .	742-6800

### Gifted

Options are available for identified gifted elementary and secondary students. For more information contact the Gifted Program, 742-3794.

### Japanese Partial Immersion Program

Sand Lake Elementary School . . . . . 243-2161  
 Students in grades K-6 are immersed in Japanese for half of their school day; they learn Japanese culture and are taught math, science, social studies and health in Japanese. Students who are native speakers or who are continuing from Sand Lake to Mears Middle School and Dimond High School continue in the immersion program through the 12th grade. Sand Lake also houses a K-6 neighborhood program.

Mears Middle School. . . . .	742-6400
Dimond High School . . . . .	742-7000

### Martin Luther King, Jr. Career Center (KCC)

KCC offers high school students in grades 10-12 vocational/technical training in 26 occupations. Further information is available by calling KCC, 742-8900.

### Montessori Program

Denali Elementary School houses the Montessori Program. Students in grades K-6 learn in an open classroom stressing individualized self-directed learning in a specially prepared environment. For more information call 742-4500.

### Multi-Sensory Instruction

Multi-Sensory Instruction (MSI) is designed for students who struggle in reading, writing and/or spelling. Students learn the process and rules needed to spell, and to read and write words. Baxter Elementary School houses a lottery program. For more information, call the MSI office 742-4879 or Baxter Elementary, 742-1750.

### Open Optional Schools

Open optional school characteristics include open, flexible space classrooms, continuous progress grading, interdisciplinary curriculum with emphasis on student need and interest, individualized learning, flexible schedules, and self-discipline.

Schools which house optional programs are:	
Bowman Elementary (K-6) . . . . .	742-5600
Chinook Elementary (1-6) . . . . .	742-6700
Chugach Optional Elementary (K-6) . . . . .	742-3730
Eagle River Elementary (K-6) . . . . .	742-3000
Polaris K-12 . . . . .	742-8700
Sustina Elementary (K-6) . . . . .	742-1400
Steller Secondary (7-12) . . . . .	742-4950

### Polaris K-12 School

Polaris is a self-paced education program featuring an interdisciplinary curriculum for students in grades K-12.

### Russian Partial Immersion Program

Students in grades K-6 are immersed in Russian for half of their school day; they learn Russian culture and are taught math, science, social studies and language arts in Russian. Students become functionally proficient in speaking, reading and writing both English and Russian. Russian-speaking students are also encouraged to enroll in the program. Call Turnagain Elementary School, 742-7200.

### SAVE High School

Specialized Academic Vocational Education High School is designed for students who have fallen behind in credits by one or more semesters. Students who are in grades 10-12, and are at least 16 years old, are eligible for SAVE. This is a work/study program that combines work experience and regular high school academic requirements for completion of a high school diploma. Students go to three classes each day; the other half of their educational day is spent gaining on-the-job work experience or in a King Career Center vocational class. For more information call SAVE, 742-1250.

### Schools-Within-A-School

Bartlett High School, Humanities Interdisciplinary Program . . . . .	742-1820
Chugiak High School, World Discovery Seminar. 742-3050	
East High School, Elitnaurvik-Within-East . . . . .	742-2172
East High School, School-Within-a-School . . . . .	742-2172
Service High School, The Seminar School . . . . .	742-8100
West High School, International Baccalaureate . . . . .	742-2500
West High School, Through the Arts. . . . .	742-2500

### Spanish Partial Immersion Program

Chugiak Elementary School. . . . .	742-3400
Students in grades K-5 are immersed in Spanish half of the school day. Math, social studies, science and health are taught in Spanish. Students who are native speakers or who are continuing from Chugiak Elementary to Mirror Lake Middle School and Chugiak High receive some content area instruction in Spanish. Chugiak Elementary also houses a neighborhood K-5 program.	
Mirror Lake Middle School . . . . .	742-3500
Chugiak High School . . . . .	742-3050
Government Hill Elementary School . . . . .	742-5000
Students in grades K-6 may enroll in a two-way bilingual/ Spanish immersion program. In the two-way model, 50 percent of the students in each classroom are native Spanish speakers and the other 50 percent are English speakers desiring to learn Spanish. Students who are native speakers or who are continuing on from Government Hill to Romig Middle School and West High can continue in the Spanish immersion program. Government Hill also houses a neighborhood K-6 program.	
Romig Middle School . . . . .	742-5200

West High School . . . . .	742-2500
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### Steller Secondary School

Steller is an individualized, self-paced education program for students in grades 7–12. Call 742-4950 for more information.

## Release of Personal Info and Process for Opting Out

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act allows the district to publicly release “directory information” about students that would not generally be considered harmful or an invasion of privacy if disclosed. Directory information includes: student name, address, date and place of birth, dates of attendance, grade level, degrees and awards received, date of graduation, name of secondary school most recently attended, participation in officially recognized activities and sports, and height and weight of members of interscholastic athletic teams.

School officials may release directory information about a student without first obtaining parental consent, unless parents object by completing a directory information “Opt Out” form, which is available on the ASD Web site and at each school.

In two instances, the district is required by law to release certain contact information regarding 11th-grade and 12th-grade students, unless parents object. First, the district is required to provide to the **University of Alaska** the names and addresses of those students eligible for UA scholarship programs. Second, upon receiving a request from **military recruiters** and/or institutions of higher learning, the district must provide students’ names, addresses, and telephone numbers.

**Parents who object to the release of their students’ telephone numbers and directory information to military recruiters and colleges should complete a directory information “Opt Out” form.**

Parents who have no objections to the release of directory information do not need to take any action.

## Activities

### Fees

**The middle school activity fee is \$80 per sport. The high school fee is \$160 per sport. A family cap will be implemented once the students in a family have paid \$330 to participate in any combination of middle and high school activities.**

### Middle School

Middle school students may participate in interscholastic and intramural athletics and a variety of academic and recreational activities. Students who would like to participate in interscholastic and intramural sports must:

- be enrolled as a full-time student in the Anchorage School District (4 or more classes).
- have an Activity Participation form signed by a parent/guardian for each sport.
- have a current sports physical on file with the school; this exam is good for one year from date of issue.

In addition students who participate in interscholastic sports must pay the \$80 participation fee per sport, be eligible for a sports fee waiver, or meet the family cap for middle school and high school sports fees.

In order to practice or play in a game, a student must be in attendance at school a minimum of one-half day, except for extenuating circumstances (such as a school field trip) approved by an administrator.

### 2009–10 Middle School Interscholastic Fall Sports Schedule

Cross-Country Running . . . . .	TBD
Volleyball (girls) . . . . .	October 21 – December 8
For more information call Middle School Education at 742-4249 or your middle school.	

### High School

To be eligible to participate in Alaska School Activities Association sanctioned activities, a student must:

- Pay the \$160 activity fee per sport, or apply for a fee waiver based on hardship through the school activity office, or meet the family cap for middle or high school activity fees.
- Be enrolled in the ASD for five or more courses during the grading period the activities are offered.
- Have passed five or more courses during the grading period immediately prior to the activities.
- Earn a 2.0 GPA during the previous grading period.
- Meet the ASAA semester credit rules and transfer of eligibility rules.

Students who want to participate in athletics, cheerleading or other strenuous activities must have a physical examination form on file at the school. This exam is good for one year but must not expire during the season of the sport in which the student is participating. Specific activities may have additional requirements.

For additional information, please call your school or high school education, 742-4250, or visit the ASD Web site: www.asdk12.org.

### 2009–10 High School Fall Sports Schedule

Football . . . . .	July 27 – September 25
Football Cheerleading . . . . .	July 27 – October 17
Cross-Country Running . . . . .	August 3 – September 26
Tennis . . . . .	August 3 – October 3

Girls Flag Football . . . . .	August 3 – October 10
Girls Gymnastics . . . . .	August 10 – November 7
Swim/Div. . . . .	August 10 – October 31
Girls Volleyball . . . . .	August 10 – November 7
Rifle. . . . .	September 14 – December 12
Wrestling . . . . .	September 28 – December 5

For more information