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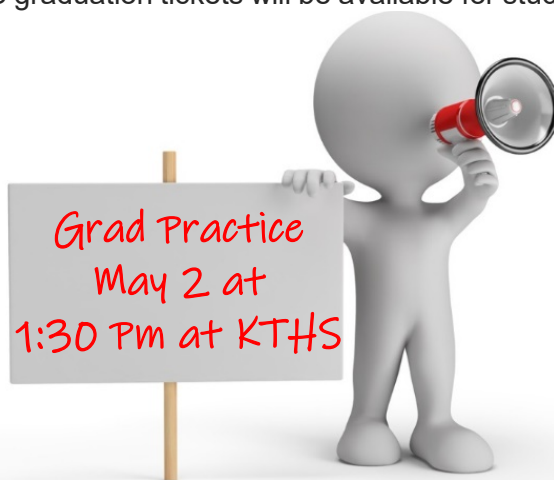
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Graduation

Graduation 2022 is Friday, May 13 at 7 pm at the Alaska Airline Center. **Graduation Practice:** Graduation practice will be held in person on **Monday, May 2nd, Time: 1:30-2:30 pm, Location: King Tech High School, Meeting Room 1.** If you are walking with AMCS, it is expected that you attend practice.

Honors Ceremony: During graduation practice, we will be honoring seniors who have earned their Seal of Biliteracy, Academic Letter Awards, and distributing honor cords. All seniors are invited to participate in this ceremony, not just those walking with AMCS. We will have pizza and cupcakes to celebrate after our formal practice. If you are not walking with AMCS and choose to not attend practice, you may collect your cords from Ms. Sherwood after May 2.

Graduation Tickets: AMCS graduation tickets will be available for students to pick up at graduation practice on May 2.



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End of Spring Semester

Juniors: All juniors will participate in a week-long Junior Seminar, May 2-6. Students will attend either a morning (8:00 AM-9:50 AM) or afternoon (11:30 AM-1:20 PM) session, which coincides with our ASD busing schedule. The seminar introduces students to career exploration, college exploration, financial aid, ACT/SAT testing, AK Performance Scholarship, and career opportunities. Over the summer, students should register to take the ACT/SAT, research their top colleges, identify funding, investigate scholarships, visit colleges, explore workforce opportunities, etc. Come fall, students will enroll in a Senior Seminar and begin applying to their top colleges, submitting applications for scholarships, and/or applying for jobs.

ASD AMCS Classes: As a reminder, you are **required to attend** all ASD AMCS classes until May 19 this includes advisories.

Final Exams: **UAA** final exams are on **April 26-30**

ASDVirtual (seniors) final exams are **due by 3 pm May 6.**

ASDVirtual (juniors) final exams are **due by May 18.**

CBPP Tom Case Leadership Academy

Congratulations to all the College of Business and Public Policy (CBPP) - Tom Case Leadership Academy graduates. These students were selected from amongst their peers to participate in a year-long leadership training where they networked with influential community leaders, explored business careers, learned the art of presenting, and so much more. Special thank you to the Associate Dean of the College of Business and Public Policy, Dr. Terry Nelson, for her work and dedication to helping the AMCS academy students reach their highest potential.



Bottom Row: Maicha Olaes, Dr. Terry Nelson, Dr. Helena Wisniewski, Kyla Jarrell **Row 2:** Alyssa Flodin, Sondrea Manor, Lucas Engel **Row 3:** Zoralenda Mendel, Akela Byrne, Stanley Wu **Row 4:** Kashia Goolsby, Pieter Goebel, Gavin Taylor

CNA: Opportunity to Pay for College

If you are interested in a health career, KTHS is accepting applications for the Fall 2022 Certified Nurse Aide. This is a six-credit UAA course that may lead to certification and employment. For more information, visit the [KTHS CNA website](#).

Applications are due April 15.

Registrar's Range

Grade changes: If a course grade changed after grades appeared in your student account in Q, or you repeated a class to replace a prior grade, you must notify Mrs. Sherwood. If the grade is for a college course, contact your UAA advisor once the grade has been posted on your UAA transcript. Your advisor will share the updated grade information with AMCS. Please note that grade changes/replacements are manual, and we will not know when your grade changes.

Transcript Requests: The Anchorage School District uses [ScribOrder](#) to request educational records.

- If you are under the age of 18, a parent/guardian must be the one to submit the request. Be sure to have requests legibly signed.
- All ScribOrders will be sent by e-delivery unless a specific request for a mailed copy is entered in the "Special Instructions" box.
- Most post-secondary institutions can receive transcripts electronically so please enter their information. Sending e-documents gets your transcripts to the schools much sooner than mailing, and it saves everybody time.
- Transcripts cannot be emailed to a 3rd party through ScribOrder. They must be mailed. Mailing information can be entered in the "Delivery Address" section.
- Remember, your school is Alaska Middle College!

Spirit Wear

Get AMCS spirit wear now, order directly from the company and have it delivered to your doorstep; [place your order](#).

Troubleshooting Information

For technical support for UAA software and Blackboard, contact UAA IT Help Desk at 907-786-4646. To reset your UAA password or look up your username, visit UA Elmo.

For issues with a Chromebook or Canvas, contact your AMCS, high school teacher.

**Spring Hiring Event**

Over 70 businesses!
Part-time/Full-time
Seasonal/Careers

Wednesday, April 6

8 am – 1 pm at King Tech High School

Dress professionally, prepare a 30-second sales pitch, and bring an error-free resume.

AMCS families, we need your help!

Most of our students learn about the AMCS program through other students who have been in the program.

Please take a moment and share your AMCS experiences with a relative or friend that you think may benefit from joining the AMCS program.

AMCS is currently accepting applications for Fall 2022 and is hosting Information Night webinars on April 5 and May 4. For more information, please visit the [AMCS website](#).



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Counselor's Cave

The end of the school year can be stressful. Make sure to take some time to take care of yourself. Get out and enjoy some sunshine.

If you need any support, don't hesitate to contact the AMCS staff.

Hey, Juniors: Want to do a credit check before scheduling classes for next semester? Schedule an appointment with your friendly high school counselor, Ms. Sherwood. [Credit Check Meeting](#)

Hey, Seniors: If you haven't filled out this survey, [AMCS Senior Plans](#), please do so today.

Request your final transcript to be sent to the college or university that you choose to attend. <https://anchorageak.scribder.com/> You can order it now and it can be sent once grades are posted.

Information about registration for ASD summer school classes will be sent out next week. Students who wish to take summer classes at UAA have to **self-pay** for those classes.

Teacher's Terrain

Yearbooks: The AMCS yearbook has been submitted for printing! We do have a few extra copies to sell, if you missed your chance, please contact Mrs. Harbison or Ms. Sherwood. We can check if we have any surplus copies left. We hope to distribute yearbooks in the first week of May.

UAA Makes Buildings More Accessible

Chancellor Parnell shared UAA's efforts to provide more accessibility to UAA buildings. In an email to students, starting April 4, students will no longer need their WolfCard during the day to access most buildings on the Anchorage Campus. Please see specific details below.

- Students and staff attending evening classes will continue to use WolfCards to access campus buildings.
- Buildings on the Anchorage campus that are not connected to the east-west Spine will be open and unlocked (accessible without a WolfCard) from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Buildings and parking garages on campus that are connected to the east-west Spine will be open and unlocked from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- UAA facilities that will remain locked and restricted to WolfCard access, unless opened to accommodate an event or lecture, include Residence Life facilities, ANSEP buildings, the Ecosystem-Biomedical Health Laboratory, the Wendy Williamson Auditorium, the Native Arts studio, and various non-academic facilities support buildings.

In addition, students can continue to use their WolfCards to enter general access buildings seven days a week, 7 a.m. to 11 p.m. With their WolfCards, employees can enter general access facilities 24/7, including the building in which they work. Find out what buildings qualify as general access and more information [here](#).

UAA Advising

Current Juniors will have until April 15th to complete their advising for fall 2022 classes. After April 15th, priority advising is reserved for new AMCS students. If you are a junior and have not submitted your midterm progress report form and/or schedule your advising appointment, please do so immediately. Registration opens on April 18, and you will not be able to register for classes unless you have completed both of those steps.

UAA Financial Aid Award

Seniors attending UAA in the fall and completed their Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) can receive an estimate of their award amount by contacting the UAA Financial Aid office (907-786-1480). The exact award amount will not be available on UAOnline until seniors complete their UAA admissions application by sending in their final transcript to UAA. However, seniors can receive an estimate by calling the Financial Aid office to begin planning their classes for fall 2022 now.

Upcoming Important Dates Spring Semester

April

26-30 UAA final exams

May

2 AMCS Graduation Practice
 2-6 Junior Seminar
 13 AMCS Graduation
 19 Last Day of the School Year
 30 Memorial Day – ASD and UAA closed



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AMCS Community Standards

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Students to Students

- Be kind, use nice words and tone.
- Ask before using things.
- Respect your peers' preferred atmosphere and learning style.
- When in a group, complete assignments in a fair manner.
- Value each other's time.
- Listen and speak.




Students to Teacher

- Use kind words and appropriate voice levels.
- Follow rules and directions.
- Always give your best effort.
- Forgive me if I have a bad day.
- Complete work on time, be prepared and participate.
- Be open to new ideas; approaches.
- Behave with integrity- no lying or cheating.



Teacher to Students

- Be patient.
- Give fair consequences.
- Don't give up on me when I'm having a bad day.
- Respect student boundaries.
- Be accessible.
- Allow for brain breaks when necessary.



Students & Teacher to Classroom

- Keep your space organized.
- Be safe and respectable with our supplies and classroom.
- Leave the room nicer than you found it.
- Manage food and drink in a responsible manner.
- Respect seating charts and other Covid-driven rules.

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