



# Seawolf Soundbites

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## The Den Administration Pack Leaders' Announcements

### UAA Finals Week December 11-16, 2023

<https://www.uaa.alaska.edu/students/registration/index.cshtml>



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### Textbook Returns

Middle College Textbook Returns will be taking place on Fri. Dec. 15 and Mon. Dec. 18 from 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM in Gordon Hartlieb Hall (GHH) Room 101 on the UAA Campus. To access GHH, enter the door facing the Rasmuson Hall parking lot or the door across from the Auto/Diesel Technology Building.

If you cannot return your textbooks during Textbook Return Days, you can schedule an individual textbook return appointment during limited times using the Middle College Bookings page, or by emailing [uaa\\_middlecollege@alaska.edu](mailto:uaa_middlecollege@alaska.edu). As a reminder, students must return all physical textbooks from this semester in order to be eligible for free Middle College textbooks next semester.

Course materials you DO need to return:

- Physical textbooks, including loose-leaf textbooks
- Lab manuals
- CDs, DVDs, booklets, and any other supplementary materials that came with your physical textbook

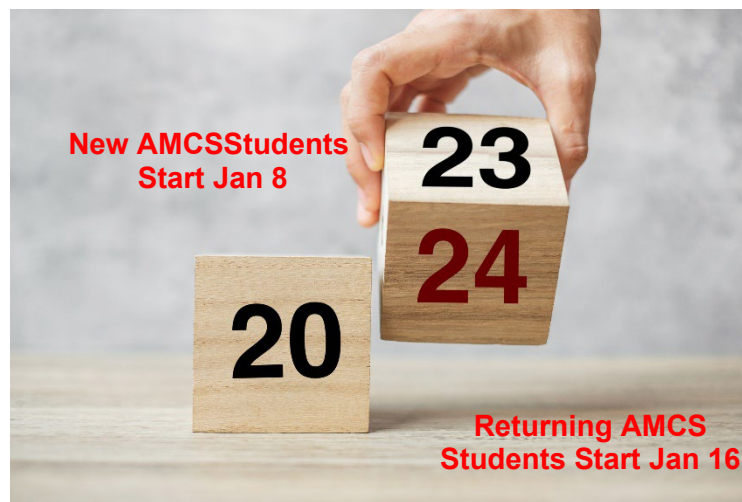
Course materials you DO NOT need to return:

- Workbooks or Student Activity Manuals
- Codes or other digital course materials

Please reach out to [uaa\\_middlecollege@alaska.edu](mailto:uaa_middlecollege@alaska.edu) if you have any questions!

**AMCS Academic & Advisory class Spring 2024**

- New to AMCS students start on **January 8th** (details will be emailed out to those students)
- Returning AMCS students will begin their AMCS Academic & Advisory Classes on **January 16, 2024.**
- All schedule changes must be approved by UAA advisors and the AMCS counselor.



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## Registrar's Range

**Register Now:** The Anchorage School District **requires** all students to be registered every year through [ASD Parent Connection](#): Once you have logged in, look for QuickLinks on the left and click on your student's picture. Information on how to reset your PIN and password is found here also.

In Parent Connection you can **update your contact information**, view your student's unofficial transcripts, demographic data, class schedule, attendance, pay for lunches and activities, and muchmore!

ASD must verify address changes, please send proof of residency to Elizabeth Goetz, AMCS Registrar, [goetz\\_elizabeth@asdk12.org](mailto:goetz_elizabeth@asdk12.org).

- This document must show the service address: Utility bill, Lease/Rental Agreement, Mortgage Document, Military Housing, etc.
- Phone bills, credit cards, or bank statements are **not** accepted.

Transcript Requests: The Anchorage School District uses [ScribOrder](#) for all educational records requests. If you are under the age of 18, a parent/guardian must be the one to submit the request. Be sure to have them legibly signed. We can send e-documents to most post-secondary institutions, so please enter this information in your request. Sending e-documents gets your transcripts to the schools much sooner than mailing them, and it saves everybody time!

## Pack News Program Pack Leaders' Announcements

### Counselor's Cave

If a student does not plan to attend AMCS in Spring 2024, please contact [Mrs. Sherwood](#) as soon as possible so we can start the exit process.

If a student would like to graduate in December 2023, please contact [Mrs. Sherwood](#) for the appropriate forms.

Spring Scheduling Updates: Please use the [AMCS Spring 2024](#) form to select your advisory class times and your high school academic classes. On the form there is information about taking classes at other high schools and classes through AK Choice. It is important that all students check out the form in case they need something.

Process for taking classes at affiliate high schools.

- If you are scheduled for a yearlong class, you will be scheduled for the same class in the Spring.
- If you would like to drop a class at your affiliate high school, please let me know as soon as possible.
- The [Part Time Course Enrollment](#) form needs to be completed for any new classes.
- The form must be completed by the student and parent and then emailed or dropped off to Ms. Sherwood. AMCS will then communicate with the other school about scheduling your classes.
- Enrollment in a course will depend on the availability of seats in the course; there is always a chance that you won't be able to take the class.

## Athletic Eligibility Requirements

- Athletes must be enrolled in at least 5 ASD classes to participate in sports. (This means 2.5 high school credits)
- 1st Semester grades will be verified for: 2.0 GPA minimum & 5 classes passed. Seniors who are on track to graduate (have at least 17.5 credits) may enroll in 4 classes and still be eligible.

## Teacher's Terrain



For updates on graduation dates and times, please check [ASD website](#). Information about guest ticket numbers has not been release by ASD at this time.

The deadline for cap and gown orders has passed, if you still need regalia please head to [Jostens](#) to get your orders in.

Yearbook: **BUY:** Yearbooks are available for purchase! [Click here](#) to purchase your 23-24 AMCS Yearbook today; they are \$65.

**Senior Celebration Pages:** Yearbook Recognition Ads are the perfect way to commemorate achievements and celebrate milestones. To purchase your ad online, [click here](#). Jostens is responsible for our school's yearbook ad sales. Please do not contact or send materials to the school. All orders must be placed by 02/02/2024.

*Yearbook*  
**Photo Contest**

Win a Wildscoops Gift Card!!

Every Photo Submitted will be 1 entry. Unlimited entries available.  
Ends 12/15  
Use QR Code to Submit



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## UHowls UAA Pack Leaders' Announcements

### Progress Report

Progress reports are due in a digital format that requires students to upload a picture of each of their in-progress BlackBoard and/or UAOnline grades, a TITLE IX certificate of completion, their remaining high school graduation requirements, and UAA course proposals for the spring. [SUBMIT PROGRESS REPORT HERE](#)

### Middle College Spring Advising

Progress reports & Title IX must be complete to schedule an advising appointment. Schedule your advising appointment with either Middle College advisor @ <https://uaa.campus.eab.com/>. Advising should be done before the winter break.

### TITLE IX

Students who still need to complete their [TITLE IX Training](#), can access it at [BlackBoard Online Training](#). There will be a Certificate of Completion that can be submitted with grades.

### New Student Spring Advising

Middle College advisors will be meeting with new AMCS students until the winter break.

## Upcoming Important Dates Fall Semester

### December

- 11-16 UAA final exams
- 21 Fall semester ends
- 22 No classes – Grading Day
- 25-29 ASD Winter Break

### January

- 1-5 ASD Winter Break continued
- 8 AMCS spring semester classes start
- 15 ASD and UAA closed
- 16 UAA classes begin

## Pack Leaders Contact Information

### **Administration**

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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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