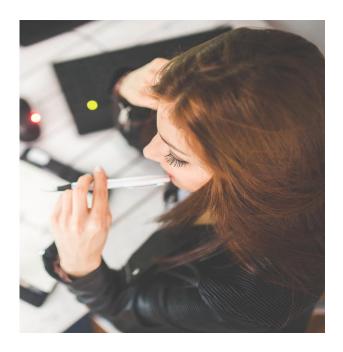
Anchorage School District Family Partnership Charter School Early College Program Handbook



# How Students Find Their Way to College



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## **About our Early College Program**

Family Partnership Charter School (FPCS) Early College Program is open to all ASD high school students enrolled in FPCS who meet high school eligibility requirements and UAA prerequisites.

Qualified students in our Early College Program may access the complete spectrum of courses taught by professors as they work towards their individualized academic goals. They may earn Certificates, Associate or Bachelor's degrees. They attend classes with college students – right on campus. This gives them a place-based learning experience that leaves students comfortable to continue their paths on campus once they graduate high school. Students may also take college online courses.

One of the major advantages of our school is the funding and flexibility in selecting courses. Students qualified to take 100 level or above courses may be dual enrolled in college courses and simultaneously build both transcripts. Sponsor teachers partner with parents and students to ensure the best possible educational experience - individually tailored to fit students' educational goals.

Taking college classes while in high school enables students to receive a quality education and reduce the amount of time it takes to earn a college degree or certificate. Dual enrolled students may enroll in college credit courses and use these courses for high school graduation credit as well as college credit. For example, a 3-4 credit class equals a full year of ASD high school credit, and 2 credit equals one semester credit. Students graduate with both ASD transcripts and their college transcripts.

#### **TUITION ASSISTANCE**

Individual high school students enrolled in Family Partnership Charter School are provided with a state funded allotment (\$4,000 for 2019-20). Students may use their allotments to pay for tuition, books, and some fees at postsecondary institutions.

#### **CERTIFIED SPONSOR TEACHER SUPPORT**

- Special Early College Program Events are facilitated in partnership with UAA 1<sup>st</sup> year Advisors and ACPE (Alaska Commission on Post-Secondary Education)
- Academic planning and track development

### HOW TO CHECKLIST

- ▶ Make an appointment with your sponsor teacher indicating your interest.
- ➤ Ask questions your sponsor knows how to guide you.
- Complete a graduation credit check worksheet with your sponsor teacher to determine which courses are still required to graduate from ASD.
- Make an appointment with UAA 1<sup>st</sup> Year or Undeclared Major Advisor. (At that appointment, advise UAA that your student is from FPCS.)
- Bring your students' current transcript to your meeting with UAA 1st Year Advisor.
- After meeting with UAA 1<sup>st</sup> year Advisor, work with your sponsor to complete "Credit by Choice Form" attaching course description and submit to your sponsor – this is how funding is set up and credits get applied to ASD transcripts.
- Submit printed UAA invoice to front desk or sponsor teacher for funding allocation or attach to the "Credit by Choice" completed form
- Set up the budget for courses in OLS Database your sponsor will help.
- Pay UAA directly for costs not covered by ASD
- After completing course, submit transcript to your sponsor teacher so the grade may be posted.