

**ERHS –
Senior Year
Class of
2026**



ERHS Seniors % 2026

In this presentation, you can learn more about the

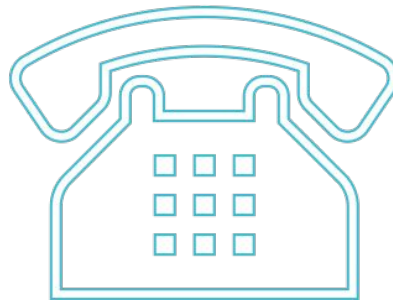
- Counseling department and their role
- SAT and ACT registration information
- Letters of recommendation
- Scholarships and financial aid
- Reminders about upcoming senior events.

We commend all of you for your perseverance and dedication to working toward graduation and beyond. Let us know how we can support your efforts.

ERHS Counseling Department

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-Credit Tracker-

[Click here for
ERHS Credit Tracker Form
\(look under Student Tools\)
on the ERHS website](#)

Each box is worth
.5 (semester)credit

22.5 total credits
required for graduation

Write the grade earned for each class in its corresponding box. Each box is worth .5 (semester) credit.

English – 4 credits required

Eng I	Eng II	Eng III (or AP)	Eng IV (or AP/Eng elective)

Math – 3 credits required

Algebra	Math Elective	Math Elective

Science – 3 credits required

Physical Sci	Life Sci	Sci Elective

Social Studies – 4 credits required

AK/Soc Elective	World Hist	US Hist.	US Gov/Econ

PE – 1.5 credits required

*Each season of a school sport gives a .25 PE Waiver. Two PE waivers are needed to check off one .5 credit box. If PE waivers are used, the same number of boxes will need to be added in the elective rows. PE waivers do not grant credit, but rather waive the PE requirement.

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Elective – 7 credits required

If you take more than the required credits for Eng, math, sci, soc, or PE, add those credits to the elective boxes.

22.5 total credits are required for graduation



-Transcript -

- You can view your unofficial transcript through Q/parent/student connect.
- To request an official transcript you will need to input your request at the link below.

This link is for official transcripts for:
personal use or to be sent to colleges, scholarships, or other institutions.

<https://anchorageak.scriborder.com/>

Transcripts must be requested online!





- SAT/ACT – If you have not already taken one, sign up as soon as possible – more details on following slide.
- Be sure to enter ERHS's code **(020368)** when you sign up for the SAT/ACT. This allows your scores to be sent to the school district. (Required for APS)
- SAT/ACT fee waivers are available to students who qualify for free/reduced lunch. Please contact your counselor or apply directly online.

2025-2026

SAT DATES www.collegeboard.org

Test Date	Registration Due	Late Fee Deadline	Location
October 4	September 19	September 23	UAA
November 8	October 24	October 28	UAA
December 6	November 21	November 25	UAA
March 14	February 27	March 3	UAA
May 2	April 17	April 21	UAA
June 6	May 22	May 26	UAA

SAT Cost: \$68
Late registration fee: \$44

ACT DATES www.act.org

Test Date	Registration Due	Late Fee Deadline	Location
October 18	September 12	September 30	UAA
December 13	November 7	November 24	UAA
February 14	January 9	January 23	UAA
April 11	March 6	March 24	UAA
June 13	May 8	May 29	UAA
July 11	June 5	June 24	UAA

ACT Cost \$68
w/Essay \$93
Late registration fee: \$40

Remember to enter ERHS's code **020368** when you register for the SAT or ACT!

ASVAB & Practice SAT/ACT



- ASVAB at ERHS will be Friday, 10/17 and Friday, 2/27
 - Starts at 9:00am with interpretation immediately after.
 - Students should plan to be here for about 3 hours.
 - To sign up for the ASVAB, please see Ms. Witte in the Curriculum Office.
- Frontier Tutoring will offer practice SAT and ACT tests virtually
 - Practice ACT - 9/13, 10/24, 11/15, 12/20
 - Practice SAT - 9/27, 10/17, 10/25, 11/1, 11/11, 11/29, 12/19
 - To sign up for a practice SAT and/or ACT, go to the Frontier Tutoring Website.
 - Spring 2026 dates TBD

-Letters of Recommendation-

- If you would like to request a letter of recommendation, please complete the “Request for Letter of Recommendation” form and submit it to the requested author.
 - [Printable Link HERE](#)
 - Check with the person you are requesting a letter from, because they may have their own process or form they prefer.
- Make sure to allow enough time (usually 2 weeks) for recommenders to write your letter. Plan ahead now!





-College Applications

- Narrow down the schools you want to apply to
 - If you are not able to visit prospective schools in person, check out the many virtual tours available online!
- Look at application deadlines and requirements
 - Plan ahead – deadlines are often late November, early December.
- If asked by the college/university, it is a good idea to waive your right to see counselor/teacher recommendations (FERPA waiver).
- If you apply through Common App/Send EDU/or other similar site, please let your counselor know...so we can make sure your recommendations are complete.



College and Career Fair

-Alaska College & Career Fair-

Wednesday, 10/15/2025

Alaska Airlines Center

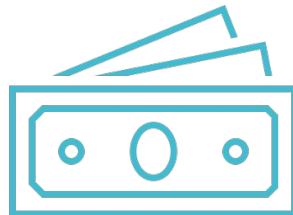
Connect with colleges, universities, training and apprenticeship programs, U.S. military, and employers.

For more info visit the [UAA website](#)

[ERHS Permission
Form](#)

-Free Application for Federal Student Aid-

- [FAFSA – Application](#) for 2026/2027 opens October 1, 2025
 - ANY student requesting aid OR receiving a scholarship should complete the FAFSA.
 - Needs based aid is first come, first serve – fill out the application ASAP.
- [How Financial Aid Works](#)
- [Types of Financial Aid](#)
- [FAFSA: Step-by-Step](#)



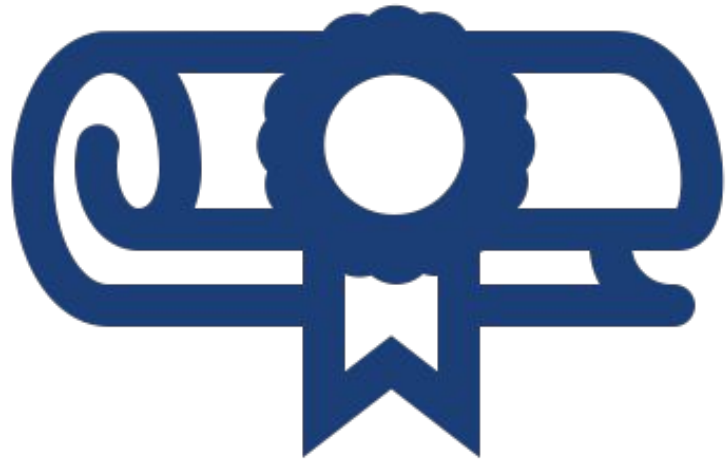
-Scholarships-

Don't rule yourself out. Every year there are scholarships nobody applies for. It is worth your time!

Approximately every other month, the ERHS Curriculum Department will email seniors a list of current scholarship opportunities. Please watch for these emails and pay close attention to scholarship deadlines.

ASD Scholarship Listing - check regularly, scholarship list is updated often and is organized by date due.
ERHS Scholarship bulletin board located in Senior Hall

AKCIS - Great place to check out options for college, careers, and scholarships. Students can set up their own profile after the initial login
ERHS Student Username: **eagleriver** / Password : **4Student**



Scholarships

– and Other Helpful Information –

www.collegeboard.org

www.fastweb.com

www.scholarships.com

www.collegenet.com

www.frontiertutoring.com

Free 1hr Math, Science, and English
tutoring sessions

Practice SAT/ACT testing

Much More!

Class of 2024 & Beyond

ALASKA PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP CHECKLIST



To receive the APS and other forms of financial aid, students must complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) by **June 30th** of each year. Visit studentaid.gov

REQUIRED CURRICULUM

Contact your counselor for information about APS courses. Approved courses may also be available through resources such as the University of Alaska or others. Eligibility is determined based upon courses with a letter grade reflected on your official high school transcript.

Choose from option A, B, or C (curriculum options apply for all APS award levels)

Curriculum Option A	Curriculum Option B	Curriculum Option C
<div>Science 4 credits</div> <div>1 2 3 substitution 4 substitution</div>	<div>Science 3 credits</div> <div>1 2 3 substitution</div>	<div>Science 3 credits</div> <div>1 2 3 substitution</div>
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NOTE: Highlighted sections above reflect additional course substitutions within each Curriculum Option. For example, in Curriculum Option A, two (2) Science credits may be substituted with 2 credits/years of rigorous additional non-standard Science course(s).

REQUIRED GPA -OR- TEST SCORE

	LEVEL 1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3
Maximum Award	UP TO \$7,000 PER YR	UP TO \$5,250 PER YR	UP TO \$3,500 PER YR
GPA	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.5 OR GREATER	<input type="checkbox"/> 3.0 OR GREATER	<input type="checkbox"/> 2.5 OR GREATER
-OR-			
Test Score	<input type="checkbox"/> ACT..... 25 <input type="checkbox"/> SAT..... 1210 <input type="checkbox"/> WorkKeys.. 18 PLATINUM (no score below 6)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACT..... 23 <input type="checkbox"/> SAT..... 1130 <input type="checkbox"/> WorkKeys.. 15 GOLD (no score below 5)	<input type="checkbox"/> ACT..... 21 <input type="checkbox"/> SAT..... 1060 <input type="checkbox"/> WorkKeys.. 12 SILVER (no score below 4)

NOTE: Receive a qualifying score from **one** of the following tests: ACT, SAT, or WorkKeys

ALASKA PERFORMANCE SCHOLARSHIP

- Up to \$28,000!
- Great Plan A or B
- Available for 8 years after graduation
- No competition - you only need to complete eligibility requirements and the FAFSA to earn the scholarship
- Qualify by completing required classes and earning a high enough GPA or test score
- Can be used at universities and many technical and training programs in Alaska ([see list here!](#))
- More information can be found [here](#)



Questions? Visit aps.alaska.gov

ACPE APS Checklist | 800-441-2962 | rev. 8/2024

-Western Undergrad Exchange (WUE)-

- The Western Undergrad Exchange is a wonderful opportunity for students to attend out of state school for reduced tuition costs.
- Check the [WUE website](#) for a complete list of participating colleges/universities.
- Check individual colleges/universities for WUE guidelines, deadlines, and requirements (schools have the freedom to alter their awarding policies and procedures)



- If you are planning to play a division I or II college sport, please make sure you have completed the requirements of the [NCAA Clearing House](#).
- Contact your counselor, if you have any questions and/or concerns.

Division I
Academic
Requirements

Division II
Academic
Requirements

Initial
Eligibility
Brochure

Registration
Checklist

Guide for the
College-Boun
d Athlete

DI & DII
Course
Planning
Worksheets

-Graduation-

- ERHS's graduation ceremony will be **tentatively** May 12, 2026 at 6:30pm at the Alaska Airlines Center.
- Stay up to date by checking the [Senior Events Calendar!](#)
- First SENIOR meeting **Thursday September 5th** @ 11am (during P3)!



-Reminders-



[ERHS Yearbook](#)

Senior Pictures must be submitted by
November 21, 2025!



Check the ERHS weekly
announcements

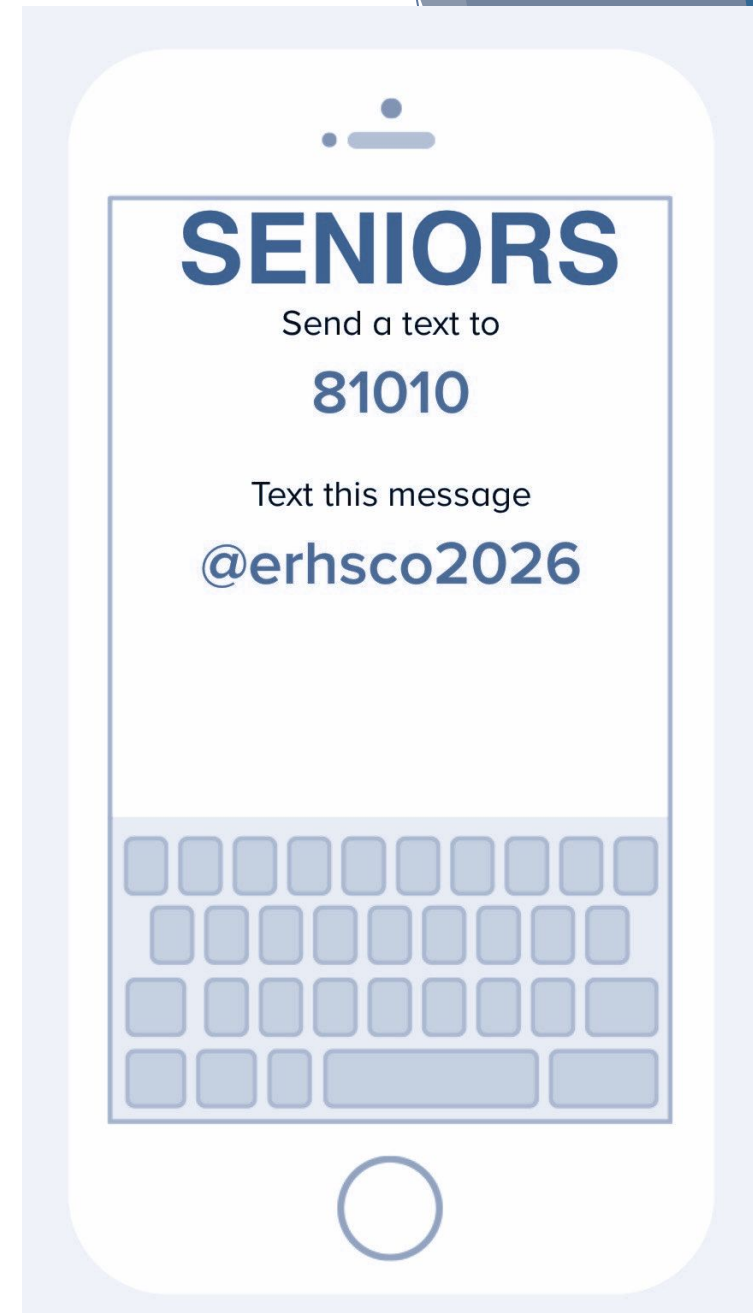
[ERHS Announcements](#)



Contact your counselor and/or curriculum department if you have
any additional questions and/or concerns - we are here to help!

-Remind App-

**Join the senior Remind
group to stay up to date
with important ERHS
news for seniors!**



Local Contacts

University of Alaska
Anchorage

University of Alaska
Southeast

University of Alaska
Fairbanks

Northern Industrial
Training

Alaska Pacific
University

Alaska Vocational
Technical Center
(AVTEC)

Alaska Commission on
Post-Secondary Ed

Alaska Career College

Charter College

Alaska Laborers
Training School

Recruiters:

Air National Guard -Kristina Elliot. kristina.elliott@us.af.mil

Navy - Rico Velacruz, CE2, rico.h.velacruz1@navy.mil

Army - Matthew R. Kuhl, SFC, matthew.r.kuhl.mil@mail.mil

Other Useful Resources

[Admissions
Timeline for
11th/12th grade](#)

[Quick Guide to
Financial Aid](#)

[Evaluating
Financial Aid
Award Letters](#)

[Financial Aid
Tips](#)

[Scholarship
Application Tips](#)

[More
Scholarship
Application Tips](#)

[Comparing
Colleges](#)

[College Essay
Tips](#)

[More Web
Resources](#)