

Achievement Report (High School)



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What is Achievement?

- Something accomplished, especially by superior ability, special effort, great courage, etc.
 - Receiving at least a 'C' for a class is an *achievement*.
 - Graduating from high school is an *achievement*.
 - Qualifying for the Alaska Performance Scholarship is an *achievement*.



Grades

- Grades of A, B, C, D, and F are based on course performance and yield 0 to 4 points (up to 5 points for Advanced Placement)
- The high school cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) ranges from 0 to 5 and weights each grade by the class credits
- Student transcripts contain the courses, grades for each course, cumulative GPA, and rank
- Test scores are not on transcripts



Grades

- All high school students have a cumulative GPA
- In 2023-24, over 80% of high school students achieved at least a 'C' GPA (2.0 or higher)
- In 2023-24, 76% of grade 9 students not proficient on Alaska STAR ELA* had GPAs of at least a 'C'
- GPA more predictive of graduation than proficiency on tests:
 - 4-year Graduation Rates for at least 'C' GPA student is 88.3% vs 19.8% for less than 'C' GPA (87% accuracy)

*Alaska System of Academic Readiness English Language Arts



High School Graduation (4-year)

- Students graduate with a high school diploma with 22.5 credits typically within 4 years
- In 2023-2024, 80.7% 4-year high school graduation rate vs 77.7% in 2022-23
- 92.8% 4-year graduation rate for at least 'C' average or higher students with regular attendance

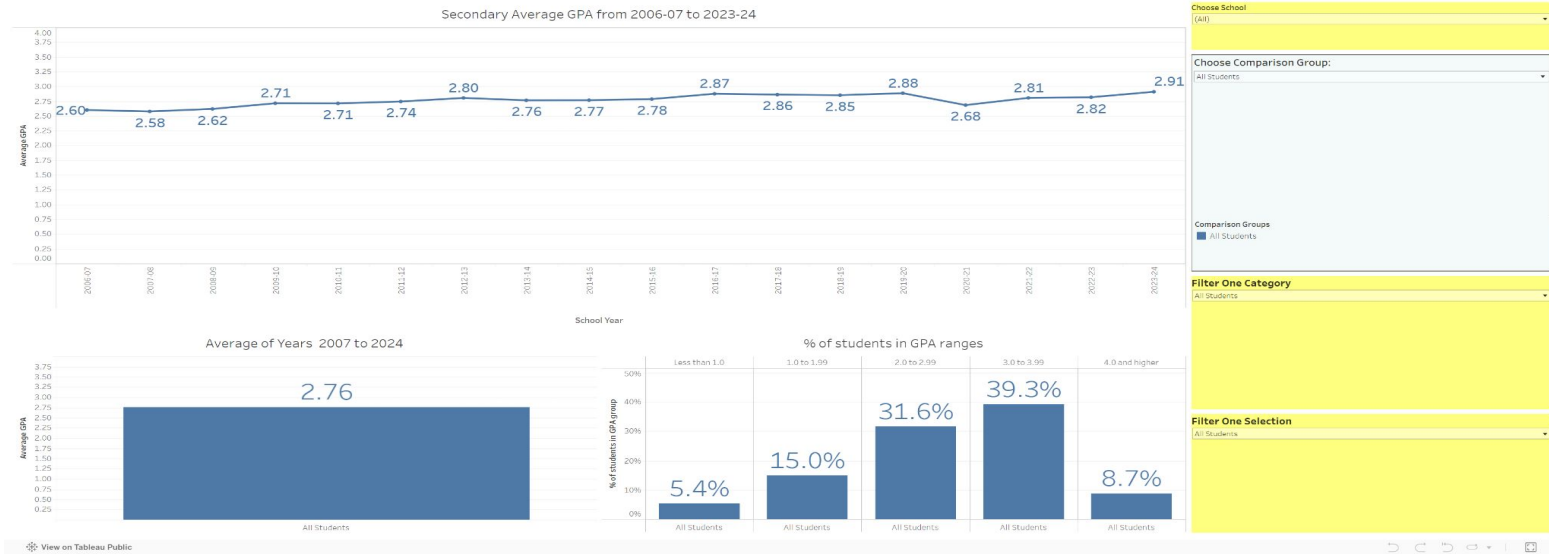


High School Graduation (5-year)

- 5-year graduation rate based on 4-year student cohort with 1 additional year to graduate
- In 2023-2024, 82.1% 5-year high school graduation rate vs 83.5% in 2022-23
- 95.5% 5-year graduation rate for at least 'C' average or higher students with regular attendance



Data Dashboards



Link to Dashboards
<https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/k12northstar>



Alaska Performance Scholarship

- June 2024, governor Mike Dunleavy signs legislation to update the Alaska Performance Scholarship(APS):
 - Requirement to meet minimum GPA **OR** test score (not both)
 - Increased award amounts
 - Expanded qualifying curriculum options
 - Extended term from 6 to 8 years
 - Step-up provisions, and
 - Merge of collegiate/CTE award
- These changes also impacted the graduating class of 2024



Alaska Performance Scholarship

- Alaska Performance Scholarship goals:
 - Improve students' high school performance
 - Encourage students to take more challenging courses
 - Prepare students for postsecondary education and career success



Alaska Performance Scholarship

Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
\$7,000/yr	\$5,250/yr	\$3,500/yr
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GPA 3.50 OR ACT 25 OR SAT 1210 OR WorkKeys 18 (no score below 6)	GPA 3.00 OR ACT 23 OR SAT 1130 OR WorkKeys 15 (no score below 5)	GPA 2.50 OR ACT 21 OR SAT 1060 OR WorkKeys 12 (no score below 4)



Alaska Performance Scholarship

For the graduating class of 2024:

- 372 students qualified for new APS
- Over twice as many as previous year!
 - 56.1% vs 21.4%
- Over \$1.6 million possible funds annually



Summary

- Majority of students achieve at least a 'C' GPA
- 'C' GPA more predictive of high school graduation than proficient test scores
- Over 95% of students with at least a 'C' GPA in regular attendance graduate high school within 5 years
- Over half of 2024 graduates acquired Alaska Performance Scholarship



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