

# Achievement Report (After High School)



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# What is Achievement?

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- Something accomplished, especially by superior ability, special effort, great courage, etc.
  - Receiving at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA ('B' average) in high school is an *achievement*.
  - Qualifying for the Alaska Performance Scholarship is an *achievement*.
  - Graduating from college is an *achievement*.
  - Enlisting in military service is an *achievement*.
  - Employment is an *achievement*.



# Grade Point Average

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- All high school students have a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA)
- About half of high school graduates achieve at least a 'B' average (3.0+ GPA)
- At least 'B' High School GPA is predictive of college graduation within 6 years:
  - At least 'B' GPA student is 3 times as likely to graduate from college (58.3% vs 18.2%) than students with lower High School GPA
  - 67.8% accuracy
  - 89% of college graduates had at least 'B' high school GPA



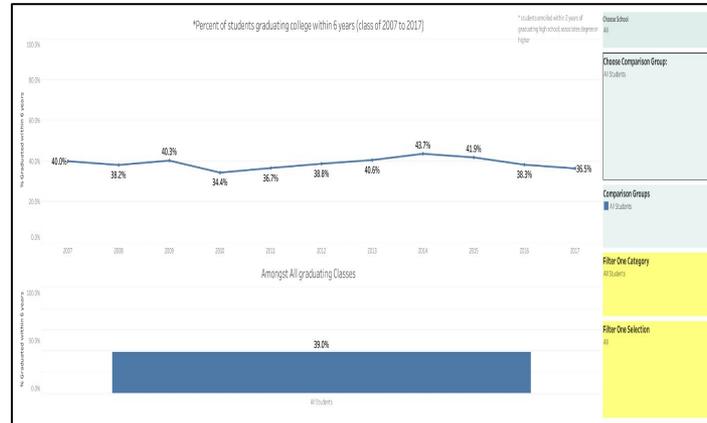
# Alaska Performance Scholarship

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- High School Graduates meet the Alaska Performance Scholarship(APS) by meeting curriculum requirements and minimum GPA or test score
- Close to 60% of graduates met new APS in 2023-24 and 2024-25
- Whether students meet APS is predictive of college graduation:
  - Met APS student is over 2 times as likely to graduate from college (61.2% vs 26.1%) than students that did not meet APS
  - 67.9% accuracy
  - 73% of college graduates met APS



# College



- Brand new Post-Secondary Dashboard at <https://public.tableau.com/app/profile/k12northstar!>
- Over a decade of graduating classes
- College graduation rates, enrollment and Alaska Performance Scholarship



# College

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- Fairbanks partners with the National Student Clearinghouse (NSC), a non-profit organization
- NSC provides student enrollment and graduation information from post-secondary institutions such as the University of Alaska Fairbanks
- NSC acts as a ‘school official’ on behalf of the school district
- Includes private or public institutions with 2-year or 4-year programs issuing certificates and associate’s or higher degrees
- Nearly 100% of colleges participate



# College Enrollment

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- College enrollment rate within 2 years of high school graduation is 61.6%
  - 94.1% for students with 4.0+ GPA
  - Enrollment decrease between 2007 and 2021 (68.3% vs 53.9%)
    - More consistent enrollment for APS recipients or students with higher GPA
- Over 60% of enrollment is in colleges in Alaska



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# College Graduation

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- Fairbanks college graduation rate within 6 years of high school graduation 42.1%
  - 88.1% for students with 4.0+ GPA
  - 79%, 54.7%, and 43.6% for APS levels 1, 2, and 3, respectively
- Fairbanks college graduation rate higher than University of Alaska system: 42.1% vs 35.3%
- Fairbanks college graduation rate also exceeds national average for four-year, open admissions institutions: 42.1% vs 31.3%



[https://www.alaska.edu/ir/uainreview/Graduation\\_Rates\\_10\\_07\\_2024.pdf](https://www.alaska.edu/ir/uainreview/Graduation_Rates_10_07_2024.pdf)  
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# Summary

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- Majority of students enroll in college within 2 years of graduating high school
- Meeting the prior APS or at least a 3.0 High School GPA is predictive of college graduation at about 68% accuracy
- College graduation rate of Fairbanks students higher than UA system and nationwide\*
- Close to 60% of recent graduates qualified for the new APS: college enrollment/graduation to review in the future
- Future research: Military service and employment

\* 4-year, open admissions institutions



# What is success for our students?

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