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The Alaska Performance Scholarship encourages Alaska high school students to take rigorous classes to prepare for college and the workforce.

## Investment in Alaska's Future

The Alaska Legislature and Gov. Sean Parnell established the Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) to incentivize Alaska high school graduates to successfully complete a rigorous high school curriculum. Recipients represent all regions of the state, as well as diverse racial and ethnic groups, and educational backgrounds.

In 2012, the Legislature established the Alaska Higher Education Investment Fund (HEIF), capitalized with \$400 million, to fund the scholarship. In recent years the fund has been tapped for other projects, putting the future of the scholarship program at risk. Alaska students work hard to earn merit scholarships. It's vital to uphold this commitment to Alaska's future.

## Access to Advanced Curriculum

UA has expanded educational opportunities for young Alaskans through access to the Alaska Learning Network (AKLN). This is especially helpful for rural school districts who may not have the resources to provide the advanced coursework necessary to qualify for APS scholarships.

## Increased Opportunity

The APS program expands opportunity and access to higher education for Alaskans. Post-secondary education helps solve pressing social and economic issues, and is a path to prosperity and better lives for children, families and the state.