

University of Alaska K-12 Outreach

Future Educators of Alaska (FEA) is a statewide effort to inspire Alaska Native and non-native K-12 students to become future educators and to enroll in UA Schools and Colleges of Education.

Attracting Students to UA

Future Educators of Alaska Offers:

- Dual credit UA-high school courses: "Exploring Education Careers" and upcoming "Alaska Native Studies"
- Student career planning, including technical education by membership in Career and Technical Student Organizations (CTSO)
- After school career-exploration clubs
- Student gatherings on UA campuses and throughout state

Research

Developing Best Practices

Place-based Curricula Offers:

- Research on student achievement
- Training in Alaska-specific, culturally responsive pedagogy
- Continuing UA education for teacher advancement
 - Research-based, culturally responsive K-12 resources
 - An online database (AKSCI.org) of educator-constructed standards-based science lessons

K-12 Outreach Place-based Curricula projects such as **REACH**, **ICE**, **AKSCI**, and **HITEC** create culturally-responsive education resources and conduct research on frameworks for training teachers and developing curricula that improve pedagogy and increase student academic achievement.

Alaska Teacher Placement (ATP) is a collaborative partnership with the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development and with Alaska districts to place qualified educators in careers in Alaska schools.

Recruiting AK Teachers

Alaska Teacher Placement Offers:

- Leadership in attracting and placing qualified educators in Alaska
- Job fairs—live and online—that connect qualified educators with Alaska districts
- 24-hour iCommunity support
- School site information and resources

Career

Alaska Statewide Mentor Project Offers:

- Extensive training for teacher mentors
- Weekly mentoring for Early Career Teachers
- Formative assessment tools to guide delivery of standards-based instruction
- Training in Alaska-specific, culturally responsive pedagogy
- Continuing UA education for teacher advancement

Retaining Quality AK Teachers

The **Alaska Statewide Mentor Project (ASMP)** is a collaborative partnership with the Alaska Department of Education and Early Development and University of Alaska to provide quality mentoring and support to teachers new to the profession in order to increase teacher retention and improve student achievement.

