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## ACPE DELIVERS NEW FAFSA COMPLETION RESOURCES

JUNEAU- The Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE) continues efforts to increase Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) completion rates in Alaska.

With historically low rates of FAFSA completion, Alaska's students lose access to critical funding sources to support postsecondary education and workforce needs. The impact of not completing the FAFSA is broad as it reduces access to critical funding sources and the number of Alaskans with postsecondary credentials prepared to support Alaska's workforce needs.

In recent years, Alaska high school graduating classes have left over **\$12 Million** in Pell Grant funding unused by not completing the FAFSA. Additionally, Alaska students will not receive the Alaska Performance Scholarship, Alaska Education Grant, and many other institution-based financial aid awards without completing the FAFSA.

ACPE, in partnership with organizations across Alaska, leads the Alaska FAFSA Completion Initiative (AFCI). Through this initiative, the following FAFSA completion resources are now available to all Alaskans:

- [Master the FAFSA Training](#)
- FAFSA Video Series
  - [Create Your FAFSA Account](#)
  - [FAFSA Line-by-Line](#)
- [FAFSA At-A-Glance Resource Guide](#)
- ACPE Success Center [Youcanbook.me](#) FAFSA completion scheduler
- [Alaska FAFSA Summit Resources](#)
- [Alaska FAFSA Completion One-Stop Website](#)

An outcome of the Alaska FAFSA Summit is the creation and implementation of the I-Did-A-FAFSA campaign in partnership with the Iditarod. "In conjunction with the inspirational spirit of the Iditarod, our I-Did-A-FAFSA campaign seeks to increase awareness, access, and completion of the FAFSA in communities across Alaska. Ultimately resulting in more Alaskans gaining access to much-needed education funding to pursue their education and career training goals after high school," said ACPE Executive Director Sana Efird. Updates about the I-Did-A-FAFSA campaign will soon be available through the Alaska FAFSA Completion website and on social media.

For more information, visit: [acpe.alaska.gov/alaskafafsacompletion](https://acpe.alaska.gov/alaskafafsacompletion).

**ABOUT THE ALASKA COMMISSION ON POSTSECONDARY EDUCATION:**

Funded by the Alaska Student Loan Corporation, ACPE promotes access to and success in education and career training beyond high school.

**THE COMMISSION PROVIDES:**

- Education planning tools and resources
- Advocacy and support for postsecondary participation in Alaska
- Financial aid for college and career training
- Education consumer protection through institutional authorization and complaint investigation