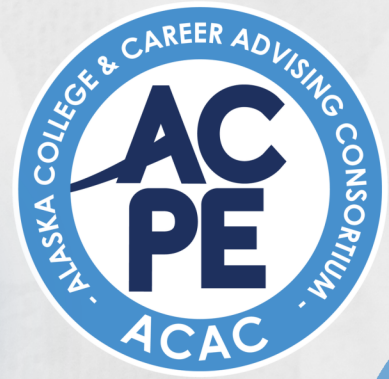


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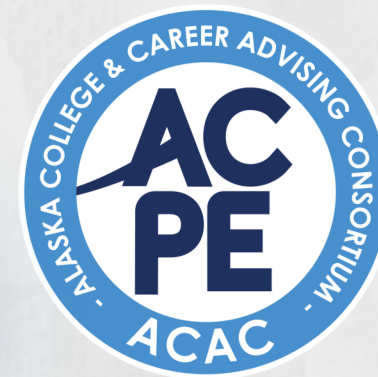
- 9:00 **Welcome**
Dominika Szpotanska
ACAC Coordinator, ACPE
- 9:10 **ACPE-Providing Education & Career Funding Solutions**
Kate Hillenbrand
Director of Communications & Outreach, ACPE
- 9:35 **Alaska Education Grant (AEG)**
Christina Campbell
College & Career Specialist II, ACPE
- 9:55 **10-min Break**
- 10:05 **AKCIS 360**
Julia Renfro
AKCIS Partnership Coordinator, ACPE
- 10:50 **10-min Break**
- 11:00 **Funding Your Future**
Christina Campbell
College & Career Specialist II, ACPE

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- 9:00 **Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS)**
Kate Hillenbrand
Director of Communications & Outreach, ACPE
- 10:00 **10-min Break**
- 10:10 **Alaska FAFSA Completion Initiative (AFCI)**
Dominika Szpotanska
ACAC Coordinator, ACPE
- 10:30 **ACPE's Specialty Loan Programs**
Nancy Womack
Program Support Analyst, ACPE
- 11:00 **10-min Break**
- 11:10 **ACPE's Research & Reports: 2026 Almanac**
Kate Hillenbrand
Director of Communications & Outreach, ACPE
- 11:30 **AKCIS 360 Education & Financial Aid Resources**
Kate Hillenbrand
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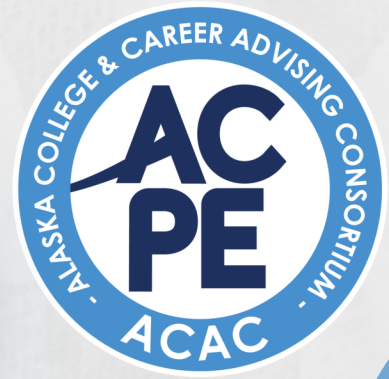
- 9:00 **Alaska DOLWD (AWIB): Registered Apprenticeships**
Elena Marcil
Program Coordinator, Alaska DOLWD AWIB
- 9:40 **Maritime Workforce Development & Alaska Maritime Education Consortium (AMEC)**
Jamie Trapp | Taylor Cronin-Segura
Program Coordinator | Program Coordinator, Alaska Safety Alliance
- 10:10 **10-min Break**
- 10:20 **Alaska Works Partnership**
Tiffany Caudle
Training Coordinator, Alaska Works Partnership
- 10:50 **ABC Alaska**
Amber Cartier-Howell
Director of Apprenticeship, ABC Alaska
- 11:20 **10-min Break**
- 11:30 **Alaska DOT&PF Civil Rights Office: OJT Program**
Zhenia Peterson
Civil Rights Program & Compliance Manager, Alaska DOT&PF

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- 9:00 **APCA's Workforce Development Programs**
Cynthia Spies | Lindsey Ark
Program Manager | Registered Apprenticeship Program Lead, APCA
- 9:30 **Alaska DOLWD Div. of Vocational Rehabilitation (DVR)**
James Swanson
Acting Deputy Chief / Southeast Regional Manager, Alaska DOLWD
- 10:10 **10-min Break**
- 10:20 **Tribal Educator Apprenticeship**
Kristy Ford | Debbie Mekiana
Project Director | Project Specialist, Arctic Slope Community Foundation
- 10:50 **AGC of Alaska & WeBuildAlaska Campaign**
Norma Lucero | Kris Jensen
Deputy Director, AGC of Alaska | General Manager, Exclusive Paving / University Redi-Mix
- 11:20 **10-min Break**
- 11:30 **Mining and Petroleum Training Service (MAPTS)**
William Bieber
Executive Director, MAPTS

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9:00 **AVTEC's Apprenticeship Programming**
Colin Stewart
Applied Technologies & Apprenticeship Services Department Head, AVTEC

9:30 **Alaska Resource Education (ARE)**
Beki Toussaint
Executive Director, ARE

10:00 **10-min Break**

10:10 **Alaska DOLWD Div. of Employment & Training Services (DETS)**
Demetria Veasy
Assistant Director - Workforce Services/Workforce Development, AK DOLWD

10:50 **Junior Achievement of Alaska**
Mackenzie Platschorre
Vice President of Postsecondary Programs, JA of Alaska

11:20 **10-min Break**

11:30 **Alaska Laborers Training School**
Gabriel Hardy
Executive Director, AKLTS

9:00 **Alaska Safety Alliance (ASA) & Alaska Workforce Alliance (AWA)**
Mariko Selle
Executive Director, AWA

9:40 **Find Your Fit in Healthcare Campaign**
Jann Mylet
Director of External Affairs, Alaska Hospital & Healthcare Association (AHHA)

10:10 **10-min Break**

10:20 **Alaska Healthcare Workforce Coalition (AHWC)**
Jacqueline Summers
Program Director, Alaska Workforce Alliance

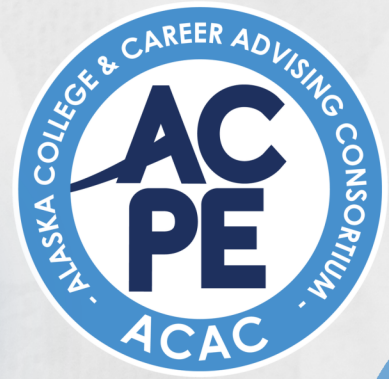
10:50 **REAP & Alaska Network for Energy Education & Employment (ANEED)**
Jenny Starrs
Program Manager, Renewable Energy Alaska Project

11:20 **10-min Break**

11:30 **Career Technical Education Student Organizations (CTSOs)**
Dr. Bjørn Wolter
CTE Program Specialist, Alaska DEED CTE

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9:00 **Health, Safety & Environmental (HSE) Careers**

Carrie Parashar
Project Manager, Alaska Safety Alliance

9:30 **Alaska Vocational Technical Center (AVTEC)**

Dusti Cummins
Enrollment & Admission Services Department Head, AVTEC

10:00 **10-min Break**

10:10 **UAA Youth Early Teaching Initiative (YETI)**

Dr. Nicole Endsley | Dr. Tonia Dousay
Apprenticeship & Accreditation Coordinator | Dean of School of Education, UAA

10:35 **10-min Break**

10:45 **Covenant House Alaska-Covey Academy**

Daniel Clements
Senior Director of Programs, Covenant House Alaska

9:00 **UAF Rural Students Services (RSS)**

Donald Crocker
Interim Manager, Degree Completion Advisor, UAF

9:30 **UAF Rural Alaska Honors Institute (RAHI)**

Brianna Pauling
RAHI Program Manager, UAF

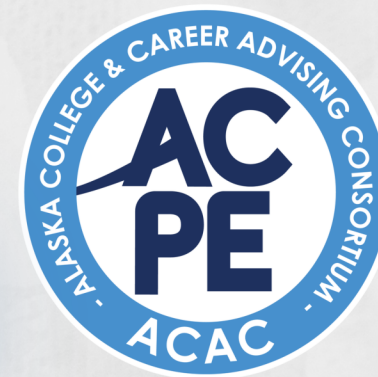
10:00 **10-min Break**

10:10 **Alaska 529 | UA Scholars Program**

Jessica Bennett
UA Scholars Program Coordinator, UA System Office

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- 9:00 **Alaska DOLWD Office of Citizenship Assistance**
Nicole Pennie
Project Assistant, Alaska Dept. of Labor & Workforce Development
- 9:25 **Alaska Career College**
Jennifer Deitz
President, Alaska Career College
- 9:50 **10-min Break**
- 10:00 **Northern Industrial Training (NIT)**
Patrick Rose
Vice President of Business Services and Solutions, NIT
- 10:25 **UAA Dual Enrollment Opportunities**
Emily Davidson
CTE Dual Enrollment Coordinator, UAA
- 10:50 **10-min Break**
- 11:00 **Alaska Pacific University (APU)**
Dr. Andrew Gades
Provost, APU
- 11:30 **UAA Center for Alaska Education Policy Research (CAEPR)**
Staci Corey | Dr. Dayna DeFeo
Research Professional | Associate Professor of Education Policy, UAA

- 9:00 **Alaska Bureau of Judicial Services - Court Services Officers**
Christina Stowell
Court Services Officer, Alaska Dept. of Public Safety
- 9:25 **Outer Coast**
Bryden Sweeney-Taylor
Executive Director, Outer Coast
- 9:50 **10-min Break**
- 10:00 **Alaska Behavioral Health**
Marissa Hanson
Clinical Director, Alaska Behavioral Health
- 10:25 **The Alaska Community Foundation (ACF)**
Joe Sonnier
Director of Programs & Grant Operations, ACF
- 10:50 **10-min Break**
- 11:00 **Alaska Sea Grant**
Melissa Good | James Crimp | Tav Ammu | John Williams
Mariculture Spec. | Shellfish Mariculture Spec. | Marine Advisory Program Agent | Fisheries Workforce Spec., UAF
- 11:30 **UAF Office of Dual Enrollment**
Amy Bristor
Director of Dual Enrollment, UAF
- 12:00 **The Paneok Project - Aviation Education**
Jamie Klaes
Founder & Chair, The Paneok Project

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