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First Alaska FAFSA Summit on October 26-27, 2023

JUNEAU- With support from the University of Alaska, the Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education (ACPE) is thrilled to announce its first-ever **Alaska FAFSA Summit**.

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. Not only does it reduce access to education funding sources, but also reduces the number of Alaskans with postsecondary credentials prepared to support Alaska’s workforce needs.

Currently over 100 Alaskans are registered to attend the first Alaska FAFSA Summit, representing secondary education administrators, teachers, and counselors; postsecondary administrators (admissions, financial aid, etc.), Alaska Native Education Foundations, Alaska Native Corporations, and State of Alaska employees who work for specific state agencies connected to FAFSA/postsecondary education.

The FAFSA Summit will host highly regarded speakers and panelists from Alaska and the Lower 48, representing organizations including: State of Alaska Legislature, Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, the National College Attainment Network, and the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Aid.

The Alaska FAFSA Summit will be located at the Anchorage Downtown Marriott, October 26-27, 2023.

For more information about FAFSA Completion initiatives in Alaska, visit: acpe.alaska.gov/alaskafafsacompletion.

To read ACPE Commissioner Statement of Support visit: [FAFSA Completion Statement of Support](#)

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

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