



Charter Schools

Anchorage School District charter schools are non-sectarian, public schools that operate within the district. Charter schools offer alternative teaching methods or curriculum and more independence than regular public schools.





Overview

Charter schools in Alaska are public schools that are approved, monitored and supported by their local school district. There are currently nine (9) public charter schools operating in the Anchorage School District serving approximately 3,000 students. Our charter schools differ from other ASD schools in three significant ways:

1. They are governed by an elected board called an Academic Policy Committee (APC).
2. The principal is hired and contracted by the APC.
3. They are exempt from the school district's textbook, program, curriculum, and scheduling requirements, as outlined in the approved charter contract.

Charter schools are expected to follow all ASD school board policy and procedures unless expressly waived in their approved charter. Charter schools operate under a contract with the ASD and must renew their contract every 10 years.

The Board is committed to an environment of nondiscrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, economic status, union affiliation, disability, and other human differences. No person shall be excluded from participation in, or denied the benefits of, any academic or extracurricular program or educational opportunity or service offered by the District. The District will comply with the applicable statutes, regulations, and executive orders adopted by Federal, State and Municipal agencies. The District notes the concurrent applicability of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act, Title II of the Americans with Disabilities Act, and the relevant disability provisions of Alaska law.

Any student or employee who violates this policy will be subject to appropriate disciplinary action.

Inquiries or complaints may be addressed to ASD's Equity/Compliance Director, who also serves as the Title IX and ADA Coordinator, ASD Education Center, 5530 E. Northern Lights Blvd, Anchorage, AK 99504-3135 (907) 742-4132, EEO@asdk12.org, or to any of the following external agencies: **Alaska State Commission for Human Rights, Anchorage Equal Rights Commission, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, or the Office for Civil Rights-U.S. Department of Education.** REVISED: 8/2007, 8/2012, 5/2013, 7/2014, 3/2017, 9/2017, 7/2019



Alaska Native Cultural Charter School K-8

www.asdk12.org/anccs

Alaska Native Cultural Charter School (ANCCS) is a public charter school within the Anchorage School District, open to all students from preschool through eighth grade. Alaska Native Cultural Charter School provides a strong sense of Alaska Native pride and values, and moves students forward to academic excellence and success in life. At ANCCS we integrate Alaska Native cultures and rigorous academic programs to meet all academic standards through a holistic approach that supports learning using effective methods and techniques.

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Anchorage STrEaM Academy

www.asdk12.org/stream

Anchorage STrEaM (Science Technology research Engineering arts Mathematics) Academy is a middle school in East Anchorage serving grades 6, 7 and 8. ASA incorporates and integrates three primary educational philosophies: Project-Based Learning, Place-Based Experiential Education, and STEM-based instruction.

Curriculum and instruction at Anchorage STrEaM centers around integrating STEM through Project-Based and Experiential Learning. This means students learn through an active, hands-on approach. Instead of traditional “sit and get” instruction, teachers design projects encompassing multiple standards across different subject areas. Class sizes are small and student engagement is high. #ExplorersWanted

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Aquarian Charter School K-6

www.asdk12.org/aquarian

Aquarian’s philosophy is that because all students have great potential, all students will have great achievement. Aquarian delivers an integrated, interdisciplinary approach to teaching, including performance-based thematic curriculum that uses multiple intelligences and accelerated brain-based learning. Technology, Spanish, music, art, and physical education meet the basics of reading, writing, and phonics in partnership with math and other subjects.

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Eagle Academy Charter School K-6

www.asdk12.org/eagleacademycharter

Eagle Academy Charter School offers an academically challenging program requiring mastery of performance standards before students progress. Students are grouped by achievement level rather than by grade level for math and language arts instruction. The Spalding Method, a multi-sensory instructional method of language arts using direct instruction, is the basis across the curriculum at all levels. The Saxon curriculum is used for math. The school has a uniform dress code. Parents have a volunteer requirement and are treated as active participants in the education of their student(s).

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Family Partnership K-12

www.asdk12.org/familypartnership

Family Partnership is an ASD charter school designed to provide parents flexibility as they customize individual learning plans (ILP's) for home-schooled students along with support of a sponsor teacher. Our families use a variety of home study, online courses, distance/ correspondence curriculum, small group classes, private lessons and college/university classes to achieve the well-rounded education they desire. ASD area schools can also be utilized on a limited basis to facilitate the individualized education all children deserve.

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Frontier Charter School K-12

www.asdk12.org/frontier

Frontier Charter School is a K-12 correspondence study program that supports the homeschool philosophy that one of the primary reasons parents choose to homeschool their children is their belief that they can help each of their children achieve academic excellence. This belief stems from the fact that they are willing and able to give education top priority and that they can build an individualized learning plan that meets the needs of each child.

Frontier provides **increased academic opportunities and resources** for your student to include personalized tutoring, small group classes, online classes, ASD classes, sports and activities. Students have learning opportunities such as a 12-month school year, comprehensive individual learning style evaluations, and college courses that earn both high school and college credits simultaneously.

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Highland Academy Charter School 6-12

asdk12.org/highlandacademy

Highland Academy is a 6th-12th grade competency-based learning environment, that promotes mastery learning across the curriculum. The school has a vibrant culture of respect for everyone, that can be felt the moment you walk in the door. Students become strong advocates for themselves and for others as they work through our Social-Emotional Learning standards. Attention is placed on individual student learning needs through project-based learning that integrates technology as a key learning tool. Student voice and ownership is encouraged and expected as they are presented with a variety of ways to learn. Students are given multiple avenues for developing their leadership through formal and informal opportunities. We emphasize social-emotional learning, community-based and competency-based learning, and growth mindset with the primary objective of: Educating for Leadership, Educating for Life.

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Rilke Schule German School of Arts and Sciences K-8

www.asdk12.org/rilkeschule

Rilke Schule is a German language immersion program where students spend one half of the school day learning in English and the other half learning in German. Many of the German language teachers are native speakers and native German interns are utilized in the classroom to achieve proficiency within the German language. In cooperation with the local German community, German sister schools, and the German government, German culture and world citizenship is emphasized.

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Winterberry Charter School K-8

www.asdk12.org/winterberry

Winterberry Charter School is a K-8 Charter School that uses Waldorf methods to inspire learning through children's heads, hearts, and hands. We aim to provide a holistic learning environment and we believe that all children are natural and inspired learners who can achieve. Our curriculum is tailored to meet children at their developmental stage and our teachers receive special training that allows them to provide meaningful and inspired educational experiences. Artistic work, explorations in nature, hands-on projects, movement, and music are integrated into lessons each day. Winterberry nurtures and promotes the development of healthy, responsible and creative human beings.

We receive the children in reverence,
Educate them in love,
And let them go forth in freedom. ~ Rudolf Steiner

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Contact any of the charter schools directly for specific information about the school.

Visit the Anchorage School District website at www.asdk12.org/aboutcharterschools for more information about Charter Schools.

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