



AMICS
ALASKA MIDDLE COLLEGE SCHOOL

Information Night

January 22, 2019





University of Alaska Anchorage Campus



What is **Alaska Middle College School?** (AMCS)

- Dual enrollment with UAA and ASD
- Goals - Transition support for students completing college credit while still in high school & meeting graduation requirements
- Outcomes
 - Completion of high school diploma requirements
 - Completion of college course credits
 - **Potential** to earn a UAA Associate of Arts Degree

Who Covers the Cost?

Anchorage School District pays for

- UAA Tuition & Fees
- Books
- Bus Transportation
- High School Staff

*Summer courses and certain elective courses are not covered by ASD.

Who should consider applying?

ASD Sophomores and Juniors who are:

- Ready to step into a college environment
- Ready to accept college-level independence
- Qualify to take college-level math *and/or* English

What does *ready* mean?

- Shows academic preparedness
- Maintains strong attendance record
- Demonstrates maturity, responsibility & independence

High School Primary v. Affiliate Enrollment

- AMCS is primary enrollment for student:
 - Diploma issued from AMCS
 - Honor Grad status through AMCS
 - Assigned counselor through AMCS
- Students can maintain involvement with affiliate school:
 - Social activities
 - Athletics
 - Prom
 - Yearbook
 - Graduation ceremony

Can students still play sports?



- Students can participate in athletics at their affiliate high school
- All ASAA athletic eligibility rules apply
- Athletic eligibility is only determined on a semester basis through AMCS
 - Student cannot regain athletic eligibility at the quarter because UAA does not issue quarter grades

Student Life Opportunities at AMCS

- Yearbook
- Improv Club
- Graduation
- Participation at affiliate high schools



Dual Enrollment ASD *and* UAA

AMCS students are both ASD & UAA students. They follow:

- ASD Calendar
- UAA Calendar
- UAA Middle College Handbook
- ASD Student Handbook
- UAA Student Code of Conduct
- Examples: In-Service Days & Closure Days

Anchorage School District
2019-20 School Year Calendar*

S	M	T	W	T	F	S	JULY	S	M	T	W	T	F	S						
							1	2	3	4	5	6								
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25	26	PK/K	28	29	30	31	25	26	PK/K	28	29	30	31	25	26	PK/K	28	29	30	31
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15	16	17	18	19	20	21	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28

July
4 Independence Day holiday
15 Teachers' first day
16 State released professional development days**
21 Classes begin
27 Classes begin for Preschool/Kindergarten*

August
18 State released professional development day: End of first quarter**
23/24 Parent/Teacher conference days
25 State released professional development day**

September
11 State released professional development day**
26/28 Thanksgiving holiday**

October
11 State released professional development day**
26/28 Thanksgiving holiday**

November
11 State released professional development day**
26/28 Thanksgiving holiday**

December
16 State released grade reporting day: End of second quarter**

January
5 (A) 7 8 9 10 11
12 13 14 15 16 17 18
19 20 21 22 23 24 25
26 27 28 29 30 31

February
2 3 4 5 6 7 8
9 10 11 12 13 14 15
16 17 18 19 20 21 22
23 24 25 26 27 28 29

March
1 2 3 4 5 (C) 7
8 9 10 11 12 13 14
15 16 17 18 19 20 21
22 23 24 25 26 27 28
30 31

April
1 2 3 4
6 7 8 9 10 11
13 14 15 16 17 18
20 21 22 23 24 25
27 28 29 30

May
4 5 6 7 8 9
11 12 13 14 15 16
18 19 20 (A) 22 23
25 26 27 28 29 30

June
1 2 3 4 5 6
8 9 10 11 12 13
15 16 17 18 19 20
22 23 24 25 26 27
29 30

UAA UNIVERSITY of ALASKA ANCHORAGE
Fall 2019 - Priority Registration

March 22, 2019	Fall 2019 Schedule view date
March 29	Admitted graduate students
April 1	Admitted seniors (90+ credits)
April 2	Admitted juniors (60-89 credits)
April 3	Admitted sophomores (30-59 credits)
April 4	Admitted freshman (0-29 credits)
April 8	Students with pending fall admission applications
April 15	Open registration

Academic Dates and Deadlines

August 26	Instruction begins Add/drop period begins Credit-to-audit period begins
September 2	No class day - Labor Day - UAA closed
September 5	Faculty approval required to add classes
September 6, 5 p.m.	Add/drop deadline Credit/no-credit deadline Credit-to-audit deadline
September 7	Withdrawal period begins online
September 16, 5 p.m.	Payment deadline, \$125 assessed
October 25	Spring 2020 schedule goes live
October 28	Deadline to register for independent and directed studies; practicum, internship, research, and thesis

2019-2020 Alaska Middle College School Calendar

Month	Key Dates
JANUARY 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 New Year's Day UAA Holiday Closure 6 FA20 Middle College Application Open 6 First day of ADD classes, except Advisory 9 Induction New Middle College Students 9 Middle College Orientation 10 UAA Textbook Pickup & Spring Kick-off 13 UAA SP20 Classes Begin 20 M.L. King Day ASD & UAA Holiday Closure 22 Middle College Applicant Information Night 24 UAA Add/Drop Deadline & 8PM
FEBRUARY 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3 SU20 UAA Classes Viewable in UAOnline 4 Middle College Applicant Information Night 10 Middle College Student Four-Week Check-in 12-13 ASD and UAA Classes in Session 14 ASD Teacher In-service, No ADD Classes 17 President's Day, No ADD Classes - UAA Classes in Session 24 Middle College Progress Reports Out 24 Middle College SU20 Registration Begins 27 Middle College Parent Check-in
MARCH 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 FA20 Middle College Application Deadline 4 Middle College Academic Awards 4 ASD Teacher In-service, No ADD Classes 6 Middle College Progress Reports Due 13 UAA Holiday Closure 9-13 Spring Break, No ASD or UAA Classes 19 Induction New Middle College Students 22 FA20 UAA Classes Viewable in UAOnline 23-31 Junior Priority Advising 26 Middle College Applicant Information Night 27 Withdrawal Deadline
APRIL 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-3 Junior Priority Advising 6-30 New Middle College Student Advising 13 Fall Pending Admissions Registration open 20 Middle College FA20 Registration Begins 22 Induction New Middle College Students 24 Middle College Parent Check-in 28-May 2 UAA Final Exam Week
MAY 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-29 New Middle College Student Advising 8 Last Day of School for ASD Seniors 15 Middle College Graduation - Sullivan Arena @ 7PM 18 UAA SU20 Classes Begin - Start of Add/Drop 21 End of Add/Drop 21 FA20 Middle College Application Deadline 25 Memorial Day - UAA Closed
JUNE 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1-30 Middle College Advising Appointments 25 UAA SU20 Classes Begin - Start of Add/Drop

How does **Transportation** work?

Bus routes

Affiliate School → King Tech HS →
UAA Main Campus

Parking is by permit on Main Campus

Application Process



The FALL 2020 Application Window will be open from January 15, 2020 - May 21, 2020.

Please call the office at 786-7611 with any questions!

AMCS will not inform applicants of incomplete applications. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure that the application is complete.

Please reference the checklist as you advance through the application process.



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Application Checklist

- I have my UAA Student ID#
- I have my UAA user name & password
- Completed the AMCS Application
- Requested recommendations from both my Counselor & a Teacher
- Scheduled my ALEKS placement test
- Scheduled my ACCUPLACER placement test
- Received email confirmation of Application submission



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English

AMCS Application

You will need your UAA student ID# in order to complete the AMCS Application. If you have not applied to UAA to receive your UAA student ID#, view the [UAA Non-Degree Seeking Application Instructions](#) for assistance completing the UAA application. For further assistance please contact our office 907-786-4347.

This Application must be filled out by the student and parent/guardian. Recommended time to complete is 30-45 minutes. You MUST complete the entire application in order to submit your information. Your responses are automatically saved as you advance through each page and you are welcome to leave and return to an unfinished application USING THE SAME DEVICE from which you started.

PRIORITY DEADLINE MARCH 1ST, 2020

The Application Process includes the following components:

- AMCS Application - Placement tests (Accuplacer & Aleks) - Counselor and Teacher Recommendations - UAA ID #, username, and password

*Exchange students are not eligible to enroll at AMCS.

<https://amcs.asdk12.org/>

Accuplacer & ALEKS Testing



- Overview
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- AMC ALEKS Guide Update

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Overview

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AMC ALEKS Guide Update

Accepted Students

Enrollment/Registration Process

Testing Opportunities

UAA Placement Assess Accuplacer

UAA uses Accuplacer, a computerized placement test. Students are only permitted to register for English courses at the level indicated by the student's Accuplacer, ACT or SAT scores.

Opportunities to take Accuplacer:

- Students will need to bring their high school ID or a government issued ID, such as a driver's license.
- Students will need to be prepared to use their ASD ID numbers.
- The Anchorage School District covers the fee for AMCS applicants to take the Accuplacer. Applicants will **not** be required to pay the testing fee.
- Register here: [Accuplacer Registration](#)
 - Choose 'Anchorage School District - Alaska Middle College'
 - Choose Group: Alaska Middle College
 - Choose Exam: Alaska Middle College - Anchorage
 - Choose Date
 - Choose Time

Signing up for the ACCUPLACER & ALEKS

[Anchorage School District - Alaska Middle College](#)

Signing up for the ACCUPLACER

- Choose Alaska Middle College
- Must be taken at UAA Testing Center, proctored
- Located in the UAA University Center

Signing up for the ALEKS

- Must fill out UAA Secondary Student Application and get UA ID and password to take the ALEKS test
- Date/time selection available in AMCS application
- The ALEKS test will be proctored by ASD staff at UAA

Middle College Priority Application Deadline

March 1, 2020

How will I know if I am **accepted**?

- Notification of application decisions will begin after March 1. Students will be **notified by email**.
- Students have **three business days** to reply and accept admission to AMCS.
- Next steps...
 - Induction
 - UAA Advising
 - Fall Orientation

Scheduling Classes



UAA Advising

- Once students have been formally accepted, they should schedule an appointment with a UAA AMCS Academic Advisor:

Middle College Advisor

Heather Brekke: hlbrekke@alaska.edu

Middle College Advisor

Tamika Dowdy: tfdowdy@alaska.edu

Transfer Credits & The AA Degree

- Transferability of credits is determined by accepting university
 - Middle College advisor works with students to align courses
- Important to keep a copy of all UAA course syllabi for your records
- Associate of Arts is 60 credits
 - (34-37 GER credits)
 - Pros and cons to pursuing this degree
- First Year Freshmen or Transfer Student?

[To look at transfer credit](#)

UAA Institutional Accreditation by [Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities](#)

High School & College Class **Expectations**

High school meeting times will occur during the four regular time blocks from 8:30 am to 2:15 pm.

College meeting times and requirements may be outside of the school day and require attendance at non-traditional times.

ie) Tutoring center, testing center, evening lectures, evening library time, group meetings

Schedule: **College**

	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
8:30 am – 9:45 am					
10:00 am – 11:15 am		MATH A151		MATH A151	
11:30 am – 12:45 pm	WRTG A111		WRTG A111		
1:00 pm – 2:15 pm		UNI A150		UNI A150	
2:30 pm – 3:45 pm					

Schedule: **College** + **High School**

	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
8:30 am – 9:45 am					
10:00 am – 11:15 am		MATH A151		MATH A151	
11:30 am – 12:45 pm	WRTG A111	LA Advisory Johnson	WRTG A111	LA Advisory Johnson	
1:00 pm – 2:15 pm	Math Advisory Rader	UNI A150	Math Advisory Rader	UNI A150	
2:30 pm – 3:45 pm					

What are the LA & Math **Advisories**?

- High school support for college enrollment
- Attendance is required first semester, subsequently may be required based on college grades
- Credit class – .5 elective credit
- Expectations for passing advisory classes are laid out in the syllabi
- Pass/fail
- Dedicated space to complete college work
- Academic support by certificated ASD teacher

Schedule: **College + High School + Affiliate School**

	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>
8:30 am – 9:45 am	Orchestra	Orchestra		Orchestra	Orchestra
10:00 am – 11:15 am		MATH A151 72057		MATH A151 72057	
11:30 am – 12:45 pm	WRTG A111 76061	LA Advisory Johnson	WRTG A111 76061	LA Advisory Johnson	
1:00 pm – 2:15 pm	Math Advisory Rader	UNI A150 71742	Math Advisory Rader	UNI A150 71742	
2:30 pm – 3:45 pm					

Single Course Enrollment

- AMCS Students may request to take one course at their affiliate school.
- Single course enrollments can be difficult to schedule and are often not possible.
- College courses and advisories will take scheduling priority over single course enrollments.
- To be approved, the requested course must not conflict with any other scheduled courses on any day of the week.
- If a student Withdraws from or earns a grade of D or F in a college class, a single course enrollment will not be permitted the following semester.
- AMCS students are encouraged to take foreign languages, music, art, and other elective classes through UAA rather than as single course enrollments.

PE Options

- Apex - PE and health
- PE waivers from sports and ROTC
- Single course enrollment at affiliate school
- Self-pay for UAA PE class or First Aid class
- Summer school

How do we determine **full-time status**?

A student is considered a full time high school student when enrolled in

- **Six** semester-long high school classes
(3 HS credits)

or

- **Three** 3-credit college classes (3 HS credits)

Credit issued by college	Credit equivalency for ASD
1-2 college credit course	.5 ASD credit
3-4 college credit course (<i>most courses</i>)	1.0 ASD credit
5-6 college credit course	1.5 ASD credit

*Full time status is required to attend AMCS

How do transcripts work?

- College transcript through UAA
- High school transcript through ASD

College Course	College Credits	High School Requirement	High School Credits
HIST A131 OR HIST A132	3	US History	1
WRTG A111	3	ENGLISH III or ENGLISH IV	1
PS A101 OR PS A102	3	US Government SS Elective	.5 .5

Sample Transcript

Student Name/Address/Phone Student ID Gender



Anchorage School District Student Transcript

Alaska Middle College School 907-786-7611
3211 Providence Drive
Anchorage, AK 99508 mcginley_kern@asdk12.org

Issued To	Print Date
	09/18/2019
	1 of 1

Entry Date Counselor Term Ending Class of Credits

EAH LEVER	EAH PERCENT	LEVER LEVER	LEVER LEVER
GPA Type	GPA	Credit Attempt	Class Rank
Unweighted HS GPA	3.80	22.00	34 of 140
Weighted HS GPA	3.80	22.00	41 of 140
Total Grad Credits Earned		23.00	

GPA & Class Rank

Grades earned in high school before AMCS

Course ID	Course	Mrk	Credits	Course ID	Course	Mrk	Credits	Attendance Summary	Sch Yr	DaysEnr	DaysAbs	
		Grd 9	Semester 1	12/16	HU010	CLGE Writing Across Conta	A	1.00	Grade 9	2017	172.00	8.25
0120	English I Honors	B	0.50	HU112	CLGE Col Algebra for Calcul	A	1.00	Grade 10	2018	171.00	14.17	
1502	Geometry	B	0.50	HU314	CLGE History of US 1	A	1.00	Grade 11	2019	167.00	0.00	
*8578	Applied Tech & Construction	A	0.50	HU331	CLGE Lifespan Developmen	A	1.00					
2232	Biology I	B	0.50	HU615	CLGE Creating Success in	A	1.00					
3110	Alaska Studies, Honors	A	0.50	TERM:	GPA	4.00	Credits	6.00				
4221	German I	A	0.50									
TERM:	GPA	3.50	Credits	3.00								
		Grd 9	Semester 2	05/17	6000	PEW: Baseball	Waiver	0.00				
		Grd 11	Semester 2	05/19	Univ. of Alaska Anchorage		Waiver	0.00				
		Grd 11	Semester 2	05/19	HU018	CLGE Fund Oral Communic	A	1.00				
		Grd 9	Semester 2	05/17	HU016	CLGE Wrtg & the Sciences	A	1.00				
		Grd 9	Semester 2	05/17	HU113	CLGE Trigonometry	B	1.00				
		Grd 9	Semester 2	05/17	HU211	CLGE Intro Biology	B	1.00				
		Grd 9	Semester 2	05/17	HU322	CLGE Princ of Microecon	A	1.00				
		Grd 9	Semester 2	05/17	TERM:	GPA	3.60	Credits	5.00			
		Grd 10	Semester 1	12/17								
		Grd 10	Semester 1	12/17	0120	English I Honors	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 1	12/17	1502	Geometry	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 1	12/17	2232	Biology I	B	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 1	12/17	3470	Ancient Civilizations, Honors	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 1	12/17	*6450	Weight Training, Basic	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 1	12/17	4221	German I	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 1	12/17	TERM:	GPA	3.83	Credits	3.00			
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	0122	English II Honors	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	1377	Algebra II	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	2521	Physics	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	3315	World History, Honors	B	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	*6380	Lifetime Personal Fitness	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	4231	German II	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	TERM:	GPA	4.00	Credits	3.00			
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	2521	Physics	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	3315	World History, Honors	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	*6360	Flag Football	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	4231	German II	A	0.50				
		Grd 10	Semester 2	05/18	TERM:	GPA	4.00	Credits	3.00			
		Grd 11	Semester 1	12/18	Alaska Middle College School							
		Grd 11	Semester 1	12/18	*9898	Language Arts Advisory	P	0.50				
		Grd 11	Semester 1	12/18	*9899	Math Advisory	P	0.50				
		Grd 11	Semester 1	12/18	Univ. of Alaska Anchorage							

Grades earned at UAA

Grades earned in high school classes at AMCS

High School Course Key:
AP = Advanced Placement
IB = International Baccalaureate
OS = Credit Recovery
TR = Outside Course Credit
EX = Credit By Examination (Not Approved by NCAA)
* = Not Approved by NCAA

High School Grading Key:
Grading Points:
Unweighted A=4 B=3 C=2 D=1 F=0
Weighted A=5 B=4 C=3 D=2 F=0

P=Pass, K=Credit Attempted
I=Incomplete, W=Withdraw
N=No Grade, R=Rescheduled, U=Fail
WP=Withdraw Pass, WF=Withdraw Fail

Graduation Requirements

Short	Req	Cmp
English I	1.00	1.00
English II	1.00	1.00
English III	1.00	1.00
LA Elective	1.00	1.00
World History	1.00	1.00
United States History	1.00	1.00
Alaska Studies	0.50	0.50
Economics	0.50	0.50
United States Government	0.50	0.50
Social Studies Elective	0.50	0.50
Algebra	1.00	1.00
Mathematics Elective	2.00	2.00
Life Science	1.00	1.00
Physical Science	1.00	1.00
Science Elective	1.00	1.00
Physical Education Elective	0.75	0.75
General Elective	7.75	7.75
Total Required Credits	22.50	22.50

Parents - How to support your student

- ASD Q/UAA BlackBoard/UAAOnline & Email
- Contact ASD staff with concerns/questions
- Review each syllabus and check in with them weekly
- Students should seek out feedback from their instructors & visit during office hours
- Middle College Midterm Reports / UAAOnline
- Make sure your student has a Release of Information on file at UAA so you can speak with the advisors

Parents - How to support your student

- Encourage students to use University resources
 - UAA Advisor
 - Disability Support Services
 - Learning Resource Center
 - Library
 - Student Study Group
 - Open Labs

Activities at UAA

- Middle College students are not permitted to participate in university clubs, sports, and certain activities until they are 18
- Middle College students are not permitted to work as student worker on campus until they are 18

Campus Safety

- AMCS students are in classes with the normal university population
- Students should report any unwanted, inappropriate, or questionable behaviors to a Middle College staff member
- Study groups should take place on campus



FAQs

Can AMCS students walk in the graduation ceremony at their affiliate school?

Yes. Students will earn an ASD high school diploma from AMCS. Students will commence in the AMCS graduation and may also participate in their affiliate high school graduation as per ASD specifications.

Can AMCS students participate in the athletics programs at their affiliate school?

Yes. Students can participate in a sports program with their affiliate school. All ASAA eligibility requirements still apply. If a student is interested in participating in athletics, they should discuss their intent during the meeting with their AMCS UAA academic advisor and their affiliate school counselor so they are not scheduled in late afternoon classes.

Can AMCS students attend dances at their affiliate school?

Yes. AMCS students are allowed to participate in extracurricular activities at their affiliate school. In addition to being issued a Wolf Card, each AMCS student will be issued an ID card for their affiliate school.

Can AMCS students attend sports competitions at their affiliate school?

Yes. AMCS students should also be allowed to purchase an activity sticker from their affiliate school.

Can AMCS students receive academic awards or honor grad recognition from their affiliate school?

No. These recognitions will be awarded through AMCS. Similarly, AMCS students should not be included in the running for valedictorian or salutatorian at their affiliate school.

Can AMCS students qualify for the UA Scholars program at their affiliate school?

It depends. If they attend their affiliate school as a junior and fall within the top 10% of their class, they should be included when reporting to the UA Scholars program at the end of the school year. If they attend AMCS as a junior and they qualify amongst their AMCS cohort, they will be included in the submission from AMCS.

Do AMCS students have to pay for the college tuition or textbooks?

It depends. These costs are covered by ASD for most General Education Requirements (GERs). A list of approved UAA courses will be provided to students prior to registering for classes. Students can meet all ASD graduation requirements and potentially earn an Associates degree through courses on the approved list.

Students can opt to register for classes not on the approved list; however, the student will be responsible for the course tuition and any associated textbooks. Registering for non-approved courses must be done in consultation with the AMCS counselor and the UAA Academic Advisor.

Can AMCS students take evening classes?

Yes, if they meet the minimum placement requirements. Please note, if the evening course uses a textbook different than the one for the daytime course, the student may have to cover the cost of the book.

Is bus transportation provided?

Yes. Students can take their regular bus route to their affiliate high school and catch the bus to the King Tech High School (formerly KCC). Students enrolled on Main Campus can catch a campus shuttle from KTHS. A more detailed description of the bus service, including departure and arrival times is available on the website.

Where to Find More Information...

School Website:

www.asdk12.org/amcs

On Facebook:

www.facebook.com/akmiddlecollege

On Instagram:

[alaska.middle.college](https://www.instagram.com/alaska.middle.college)

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Questions

