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## Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su)

### What is the ANSEP Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su)?

The Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su) is an innovative partnership between ANSEP and the Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District (MSBSD). It is a full time regular high school with the additional benefit that students who participate will have the opportunity to graduate from high school early with one year or more of college credits earned toward BA and BS degree programs.

The Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su) is located in Wasilla, at the Career & Technical High School. MSBSD students will begin taking college courses the moment they begin high school, and will have the ability to accumulate college credits that apply towards many degree programs at the University of Alaska.

### How does the Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su) benefit students?

ANSEP Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su) students will begin taking college courses the moment they begin high school and have the ability to accumulate college credits that apply towards many degree programs at the university. The course schedule options available for students relate to a variety of bachelor degree graduation requirements at the University of Alaska Anchorage.

### Who should apply to the ANSEP Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su)?

The ANSEP Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su) is currently accepting applications for incoming 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students of all career interests **until capacity is filled.**





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### Placement Testing Information

Students who are taking college-level Math and English classes must demonstrate their placement level through UAA’s ALEKS & Accuplacer test. Submitting placement scores is a required portion of the application process. Math and English class placements at the ANSEP Acceleration Academy are determined by the following charts:

#### MATH

Math Course Placement	ALEKS Score	ANSEP Eligibility
<b>MATH 055 - Elementary Algebra</b>	<b>0-29</b>	<b>Ineligible</b>
MATH 105 - Intermediate Algebra	30-54	Minimum Placement
MATH 151 - College Algebra for Calculus	55-77	Preferred Placement
MATH 152 - Trigonometry	65-78	
MATH 251 - Calculus I	78-100	

For more information on the Math ALEKS test visit the UA ALEKS website at <https://www.alaska.edu/aleks>. **Note, in order to take the ALEKS test you will need to complete a non-degree seeking application. Go to:**

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1jfsNht6qhMk50tC51mG6E0gBrwpj66ha/view?usp=sharing>

#### ENGLISH

English Placement	Score		ANSEP Eligibility
	Writing	Reading	
<b>WRTG 090 – Writing Strategies</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>235</b>	<b>Ineligible</b>
WRTG 110 – Intro. to College Writing	250	250	Minimum Placement
WRTG 111 – Writing Across Contexts	265	265	Preferred Placement

English placement is determined by the Accuplacer test which is proctored and administered at the UAA Mat-Su College Testing Center. **The cost for the test is \$21 and you need to schedule an appointment with the testing center beforehand:** <https://matsu.alaska.edu/offices/learning-resource-center/testing.cshtml> or 907-745-9774.





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How do I apply to the ANSEP Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su)?

**1. Submit all of the following application documents together.**

- Student application form
- 500-word essay on “How do you plan to contribute to the future of Alaska?”
- Recommendation forms from your Math, Science & English teacher
- Most recent school transcripts
- Math ALEKS and English Accuplacer test scores

**2. Mail complete application to:**

ANSEP Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su)  
3211 Providence Drive, ANSEP 205  
Anchorage, AK 99508-4614





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## Student Application Form

**Type or print in blue or black ink. Please provide all requested information.**

**Name of Student:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Student Email:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mailing Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip code:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Gender:**  Female  Male

**Current Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Expected Graduation Year:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Ethnicity (Check any that apply):**

- Athabascan     Haida     Inupiaq     Tlingit     Tsimshian     Sugpiaq     Unangax (Aleut)  
 Yup'ik/Cup'ik     African American, Black     American Indian     Asian American     Hispanic  
 Native Hawaiian, Pacific Islander     White or Caucasian     Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Alaska Native Regional Corporation Affiliation (Check any that apply):**

- Ahtna, Inc.     Arctic Slope Regional Corp.     The Aleut Corp.     Bering Straits Native Corp.  
 Bristol Bay Native Corp.     Calista Corp.     Chugach Alaska Corp     Cook Inlet Region, Inc.  
 Doyon, Limited     Koniag, Inc.     NANA Regional Corp.     Sealaska Corp.  
 13<sup>th</sup> Regional Corp.

**Tribal/Village Affiliation:** \_\_\_\_\_





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Name of Current School: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Math course: \_\_\_\_\_

Current English course: \_\_\_\_\_

Possible career path you are interested in: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you planning to attend the University of Alaska following graduation?  Yes  No

Have you ever taken a course through the University of Alaska?  Yes  No

If yes, what is your University of Alaska Student ID#? \_\_\_\_\_

\*NOTE: If you forgot your UA Student ID you can look it up at <https://elmo.alaska.edu>

Are you a past ANSEP Pre-College Participant?  Yes  No

If yes, please list which component and when (month/year) you participated:

Middle School Academy: \_\_\_\_\_

STEM Career Explorations: \_\_\_\_\_

Acceleration Academy: \_\_\_\_\_

Did your parent/guardian(s) earn a 4-yr degree?  Yes  No





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Why do you want to attend the ANSEP Acceleration Academy?

At the ANSEP Acceleration Academy, you will enroll in university course. Please describe how you are prepared for this opportunity and how you will ensure your success.

A **student-written essay** must be included with this application. The essay should not exceed 500 words. In your essay tell the selection committee how you plan to contribute to the future of Alaska.

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**Signature of Student**

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**Date**



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[www.ansep.net](http://www.ansep.net)





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Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

**Instructions: Please complete the following information for at least one custodial parent or guardian, both, if available.**

Name of Parent or Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Daytime Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Number of People in the Household: \_\_\_\_\_

Family Yearly Income Level:

Under \$15,000

\$15,001 to \$30,000

\$30,001 to \$45,000

\$45,001 to \$60,000

\$60,001 to \$75,000

Over \$75,000





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Recommendation from Current SCIENCE Teacher

Name of Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

The student who gave you this form is applying to attend the ANSEP Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su). Please complete the chart below. **When you finish, put this form and recommendation into an envelope, seal it, and write your name across the sealed flap, so that your comments will be private.** Please return the sealed envelope to the student or parent.

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_

Course taken with this teacher: Subject \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Please put a **checkmark** in the appropriate column for each of the following statements:

	Very Much	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
This student was eager to learn.					
This student cared about other students.					
This student was late to class.					
This student skipped classes.					
This student turned in homework and projects on time.					
This student participated in class and group activities.					
This student worked independently and as a team member.					
This student was an asset to the class.					
This student was mature and easy to work with.					

**Check** the best answer to the following question: Would you want to teach this student in another class?

- Yes, definitely**                       **Maybe**                       **Definitely Not**

Below or on an additional page, please state how this student stands out from the rest.







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Recommendation from Current MATHEMATICS Teacher

Name of Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_

Course taken with this teacher: Subject \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Please put a **checkmark** in the appropriate column for each of the following statements:

	Very Much	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
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This student was late to class.					
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This student worked independently and as a team member.					
This student was an asset to the class.					
This student was mature and easy to work with.					

**Check** the best answer to the following questions: Would you want to teach this student in another class?

**Yes, definitely**

**Maybe**

**Definitely Not**

Below or on an additional page, please state how this student stands out from the rest.





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Recommendation from Current ENGLISH Teacher

Name of Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

The student who gave you this form is applying to attend the ANSEP Acceleration Academy (Mat-Su). Please complete the chart below. **When you finish, put this form and recommendation into an envelope, seal it, and write your name across the sealed flap, so that your comments will be private.** Please return the sealed envelope to the student or parent.

Name of Student \_\_\_\_\_

Course taken with this teacher: Subject \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Please put a **checkmark** in the appropriate column for each of the following statements:

	Very Much	Often	Sometimes	Rarely	Never
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This student was mature and easy to work with.					

**Check** the best answer to the following questions: Would you want to teach this student in another class?

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- Definitely Not**

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**Please read the following statement:**

I understand that as part of ANSEP’s commitment to continual improvement, ANSEP Acceleration Academy is involved in studies of the Academy and of student outcomes (“ANSEP studies”). In submitting this application, I grant permission for ANSEP to request and receive the school records of the student for whom I am submitting this application, including such information as my child's attendance, test scores, or other academic outcomes with identifiable information. I further understand that this information may be used for ANSEP studies and that all student-level information will remain confidential as required by the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA). My decision whether or not to participate in ANSEP studies will have no impact on my child’s likelihood of admission to an ANSEP Acceleration Academy. Further, there are no discernible risks to participating in ANSEP studies and while there are no direct benefits to myself or my child, ANSEP and society at large may benefit by better understanding what features of the Academy help students succeed.

If you have any questions about the ANSEP studies or your child’s participation, please contact Dr. Herb Schroeder at (907) 786-1860 or via email at [Herb@alaska.edu](mailto:Herb@alaska.edu)

- YES**, my child, \_\_\_\_\_, *CAN participate in ANSEP studies and I authorize his/her school, district, or state to release his/her student administrative records to ANSEP.*
- NO**, I do not consent for my child, \_\_\_\_\_, *to participate in ANSEP studies.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Parent/Guardian Signature*

\_\_\_\_\_  
*Date*

