

Founded in 1995 as a scholarship opportunity for a single Indigenous student, ANSEP has grown into a program whose mission is to provide the best possible education for every student in Alaska by building a robust foundation for college success and professional development.

NOME ANSEP ACCELERATION ACADEMY 2025-2026 REPORT

(AUGUST 26, 2025 - MAY 1, 2026)

Nome's Acceleration Academy provides local high school students direct, enhanced opportunities to pursue postsecondary opportunities and pathways. Integrating cultural programming with community-based learning, the Nome ANSEP Acceleration Academy partners with local businesses, research institutions, social services, tribal bodies, and local government agencies to bolster academic achievement and postsecondary readiness.

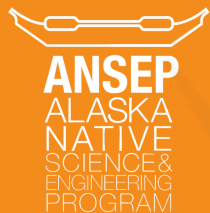
The ANSEP Acceleration Academy is open to all Nome Public School students in grades 9 – 12, offering dual-credit enrollment through the University of Alaska. The program incorporates structured recitation time, weekly student support strategies, and consistent communication with families to provide students with intensive, hands-on academic success. Students are supported to pursue school leadership, athletics and club activities, and are eligible for ANSEP postsecondary scholarships and resources upon graduation from the Acceleration Academy. The Acceleration Academy follows the University of Alaska academic calendar, academic policies and ANSEP Acceleration Academy program requirements.

Nome Acceleration Academy is made possible through collaboration with many partners: Nome School Board, Alaska Department of Education and Early Development, Bering Straits Native Corporation, Norton Sound Economic Development Corporation, Norton Sound Health Corporation, Northwest Alaska Career and Technical Center and the Rasmuson Foundation.



STUDENTS GAIN:

- College-level academic experience and preparation in high school.
- Enhanced self-confidence, time management, and critical thinking skills.
- Experience in real-world STEM environments and local projects.
- Understanding of college and career pathways that position them for early college graduation and competitive workforce entry.
- A network of dedicated staff and supportive peers.



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NOME ACADEMY '25 - '26 STATS

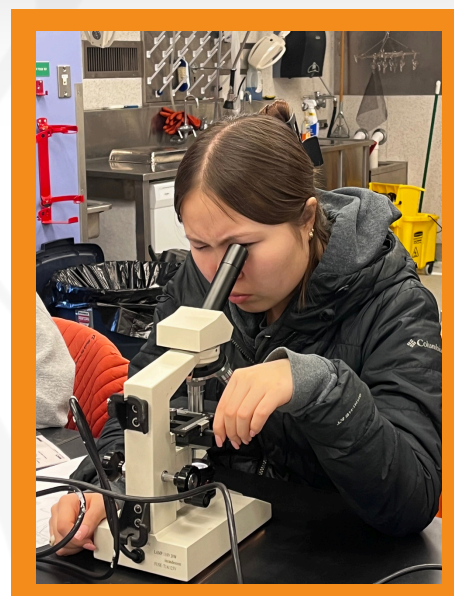
11 ANSEP Acceleration Academy students:

- 2 Seniors, 5 Juniors, 1 Sophomore, 3 Freshman

Rigorous curriculum and courseload:

- 16 different UA course enrollments (unduplicated)
- Earned a combined total of 234 UA credits
- 2025 - 2026 Program GPA: 3.58*
 - Fall 2025 GPA: 3.61
 - Spring 2026 GPA: 3.33*
 - 5 students in 12+ credits for Spring semester

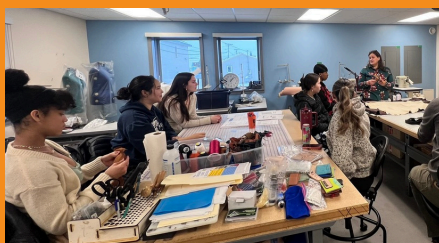
*prediction, final grades not yet submitted



SUPPLEMENTAL STUDENT LEARNING EXPERIENCES

- 3 Drivers Licenses earned
- 8 Mental Health First Aid Certifications
- Water Orientation, Basic Swimming & Water Safety Training
- 2025 Bering Strait Regional Power Pledge Challenge Winners
- ABUS 183: College & Career Readiness course (2 credits)
- Community Service - PAWS of Nome/RAAR, Katirvik Cultural Center, Nome Kennel Club

FRIDAY ENRICHMENT EXPERIENCES

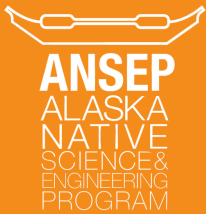


- Interact with Environment
- Include Culture
- Involve Partners
- Inspire Purpose
- Ignite Creativity & Passion



EXTRACURRICULARS & CLUB PARTICIPATION:

Volleyball, National Honor Society, Wrestling, Educators Rosing, NNYLO, Youth Court, Girls Basketball, Boys Basketball, Peace Corps, Cheerleading, Track, NYO, Student Council, Spirit Club, Drama



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2025 - 2026 PROGRAM PARTNERSHIPS

23 program partnerships formed in the 2025-2026 academic year

- NORTHWESTERN ALASKA CAREER & TECHNICAL CENTER
- PAWS OF NOME/RURAL ALASKA ANIMAL RESOURCES
- NOME WINTER SPORTS ASSOCIATION
- NOME ARTIST - LISA LEEPER
- COMMUNITY SERVICE
 - NEST (NOME EMERGENCY SHELTER TEAM)
 - NPS ACSA ANNUAL CAMPOUT CLEANUP
 - NOME KENNEL CLUB
 - NOME INDIGENOUS PEOPLE'S DAY
- NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
- UKPEAGVIK IÑUPIAT CORP ARCTIC RESEARCH & LOGISTICS
 - OAK RIDGE Ngee ARCTIC RESEARCH TEAM
- DEJA VU SLED DOGS KENNEL
- UAF NORTHWEST CAMPUS
 - MARINE ADVISORY PROGRAM
 - HIGH LATITUDE RANGE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM
 - COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE
- NORTON SOUND HEALTH CORPORATION
 - OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT
 - LIITFIK WELLNESS CENTER - BHS
 - ALASKA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTER
 - TRIBAL HEALERS - ETTA TALL
- KAWERAK, INC
 - KATIRVIK CULTURAL CENTER
 - KAWERAK COMMUNITY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT
 - UNAATAQ PILGRIM HOT SPRINGS
 - REAP (RENEWABLE ENERGY ALASKA PROJECT)
- CITY OF NOME
 - POOL
 - KEGOAYAH KOZGA LIBRARY
- BERING STRAIT NATIVE CORPORATION
 - MAINTENANCE DEPARTMENT
- ANSCA REGIONAL ASSOCIATION - ANCSA 101



LOOKING AHEAD: '26 -'27

- '26 -'27 Academy enrollment increase to 20 students
- Academy operations based at UAF - Northwest Campus
- Continued local adjunct instruction
- Additional Acceleration Academy staff
- Continued community partnerships and engagement
- Potential Program expansion Spring 2027 semester*

*pending potential funding support



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