

Anchorage School District Programs & Resources

ASD School Counseling and Guidance

ASD School Counseling and Guidance provides a variety of services to support students' academic, social, and emotional well-being. Our counselors work closely with teachers, parents, and the community to ensure that every student has the opportunity to succeed.

King Tech High School

King Tech High School is a premier institution for technical education, offering a wide range of career-oriented programs. Our students gain hands-on experience in their chosen fields, preparing them for the workforce. We also offer a variety of extracurricular activities and support services to ensure a well-rounded education.

ACT

The ACT is a standardized test used by colleges and universities to evaluate students' readiness for higher education. We provide comprehensive preparation courses and resources to help students achieve their best scores. Our experienced instructors offer personalized guidance and practice tests to build confidence and mastery of the material.

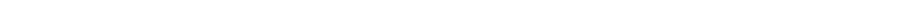
Project SEARCH

Project SEARCH is a national program that provides students with a unique opportunity to gain hands-on experience in a career field of their choice. Through a combination of classroom instruction and on-site training, students develop the skills and knowledge needed to succeed in the workforce. We offer a variety of career paths, including healthcare, manufacturing, and information technology.

The UAA Tapestry Program

The UAA Tapestry Program is a collaborative effort between the University of Alaska Anchorage and the Anchorage School District. This program provides students with a pathway to earn a degree while also gaining valuable work experience. We offer a variety of career paths, including the **the Bridge to Independence through Career Readiness Workforce Credential**.

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College Admission Tests

ACT

The ACT is a standardized test used by many colleges and universities to evaluate applicants. It consists of four main sections: English, Mathematics, Reading, and Science. The test is administered by ACT, Inc. and is taken by millions of students each year. The ACT score is a composite score ranging from 1 to 36, with each section contributing equally to the total score. Many colleges use the ACT score as a primary factor in their admission decisions.

SAT

The SAT is another standardized test used by colleges and universities. It consists of three main sections: Reading and Writing, Math, and an optional Essay section. The test is administered by the College Board. The SAT score is a composite score ranging from 400 to 1600, with each section contributing to the total score. The SAT is widely accepted by colleges and universities, and many students take both the ACT and SAT to increase their chances of admission.

Other Things to Consider

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- ▶ **Extracurricular Activities:** Colleges value students who are involved in activities outside the classroom. This can include sports, music, art, volunteer work, and leadership roles in clubs or organizations. These activities demonstrate a student's well-roundedness and commitment to their interests.
 - ▶ **Letters of Recommendation:** Strong letters from teachers, counselors, or community leaders can provide valuable insights into a student's character, abilities, and potential. These letters can highlight a student's strengths and achievements that may not be fully captured in their test scores.
 - ▶ **Financial Aid:** Many students need financial assistance to attend college. Researching and applying for scholarships, grants, and loans is an important part of the college planning process. Understanding the financial requirements of different colleges can help students make informed decisions.

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- ▶ **College Location:** The location of a college can significantly impact a student's experience. Consider factors such as climate, distance from home, and the overall environment. Some students may prefer a campus with a strong sense of community, while others may prefer a more urban or rural setting.
 - ▶ **College Size:** The size of a college can affect the quality of education and the student experience. Smaller colleges often offer more personalized attention and a tight-knit community, while larger colleges may offer a wider range of programs and research opportunities.
 - ▶ **College Reputation:** Researching the reputation of a college can provide valuable information about its academic quality, faculty, and student outcomes. Look for accreditation and rankings from reputable organizations to ensure the college meets high standards.

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- ▶ **College Culture:** Each college has its own unique culture and values. Understanding the college's mission, traditions, and student life can help students determine if it is a good fit for them. Visiting the campus and talking to current students can provide valuable insights into the college's culture.
 - ▶ **College Support:** Consider the support services offered by the college, such as tutoring, career counseling, and mental health services. A strong support system can be crucial for a student's success in college.
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1. **Introduction**

The purpose of this study is to investigate the effects of a new educational program on student performance. The program is designed to improve critical thinking and problem-solving skills through a series of interactive activities and projects.

The study is structured as follows:

- Chapter 1: Introduction
- Chapter 2: Literature Review
- Chapter 3: Methodology
- Chapter 4: Results and Discussion
- Chapter 5: Conclusion

2. **Literature Review**

The literature review examines existing research on educational programs and their impact on student performance. It highlights the importance of critical thinking and problem-solving skills in the 21st-century workforce.

Key findings from the literature include:

- Students who engage in interactive learning activities show higher levels of motivation and participation.
- Problem-solving skills are essential for success in various professional fields.
- Traditional lecture-based instruction is less effective than active learning methods.

The study aims to contribute to the field by providing empirical evidence on the effectiveness of the proposed program.

3. **Methodology**

The study uses a quasi-experimental design to evaluate the program's impact. The sample consists of two groups of students: an experimental group that receives the program and a control group that receives traditional instruction.

Data collection methods include pre-test and post-test assessments, classroom observations, and student feedback surveys. The data is analyzed using statistical methods to determine significant differences between the groups.

4. **Results and Discussion**

The results of the study show that the experimental group performed significantly better than the control group on the post-test assessments. This indicates that the program effectively improved students' critical thinking and problem-solving skills.

Discussion of the findings suggests that the program's interactive and project-based approach is more effective than traditional instruction. The results support the hypothesis that active learning leads to better learning outcomes.

5. **Conclusion**

The study concludes that the proposed educational program is an effective intervention for improving student performance. The program's focus on critical thinking and problem-solving skills is well-supported by the research findings.

Future research should explore the long-term effects of the program and its applicability to other educational contexts.

Recreation and Leisure Resources

Alpine Alternatives

Alpine Alternatives is a nonprofit organization that provides a variety of recreational and leisure activities for people with disabilities. The organization offers a wide range of programs, including skiing, snowboarding, and hiking. Alpine Alternatives also provides adaptive equipment and services to ensure that all participants can enjoy the activities. For more information, visit www.alpinealternatives.org.

The Arc of Anchorage

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Challenge Alaska

Challenge Alaska is a nonprofit organization that provides a variety of recreational and leisure activities for people with disabilities. The organization offers a wide range of programs, including skiing, snowboarding, and hiking. Challenge Alaska also provides adaptive equipment and services to ensure that all participants can enjoy the activities. For more information, visit www.challengealaska.org.

Hope Community Resources

Hope Community Resources is a nonprofit organization that provides a variety of recreational and leisure activities for people with disabilities. The organization offers a wide range of programs, including swimming, fishing, and hiking. Hope Community Resources also provides adaptive equipment and services to ensure that all participants can enjoy the activities. For more information, visit www.hoperecreation.org.

Special Olympics Alaska

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