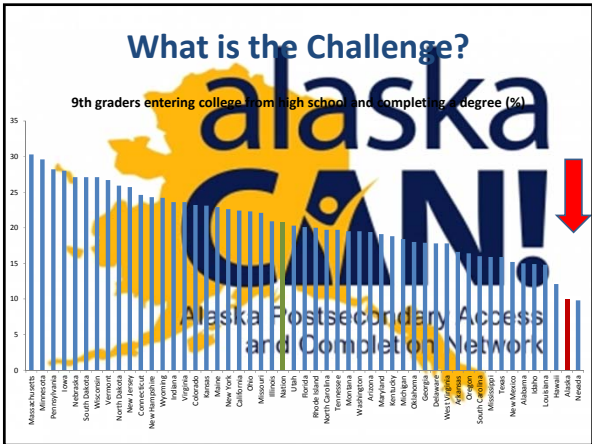


What is the Challenge?

- Depending on who you ask - by 2020, up to **66%** of Alaskan jobs will require some type of postsecondary education
- Regardless of who you ask, we are:
 - headed for a shortage of workers with postsecondary education in Alaska's highest-demand, highest-paying industries
 - Already facing an insufficient supply of industry certifications in the skilled trades



Alaska Is Falling Further Behind

- Alaskans age 45-64 have higher degree completion rates than Alaskans age 25-34
- 30% of Alaskans have some college, but no degree

Currently: 50%

- 28.2% Bachelor's Degree or Higher
- 8.8% Associates
- 12.7% Certificates or Credentials

What's the Solution—How Can We Turn This Around?



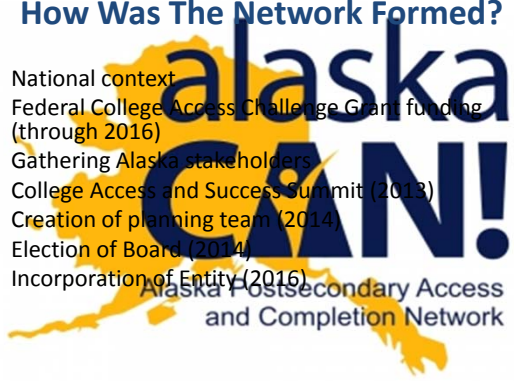
Secondary, Postsecondary, Training Providers, Business, and Community coming together

Who Makes Up The Network?



How Was The Network Formed?

- National context
 - Federal College Access Challenge Grant funding (through 2016)
 - Gathering Alaska stakeholders
 - College Access and Success Summit (2013)
 - Creation of planning team (2014)
 - Election of Board (2014)
 - Incorporation of Entity (2016)
- Alaska Postsecondary Access and Completion Network



What's the Goal?

65% by 2025

Increase the percentage of Alaskans who complete a postsecondary education, particularly credentials relevant to a robust Alaskan economy.

Note: Goal includes registered apprenticeships & other industry-recognized credentials.



Why do we need to get to 65% by 2025?

- To build the competitive workforce our employers need
- To encourage economic development in Alaska
- To strengthen the earnings potential and increase employment stability for more Alaskans



What's the Focus?

Partnerships, Transitions & Pathways

Professional Development & Networking

Statewide Messaging

Research & Data Collection

Partnerships, Transitions & Pathways

- To Date:
 - Trained cross-sector team on Coalition Building
 - Commissioned an inventory of postsecondary access & completion programs in Alaska
 - First comprehensive look at efforts in the state
 - Includes assessment of challenges and needs
- Coming Next:
 - Documentation of credentialed career pathways
 - Identification & sharing of partnership best practices

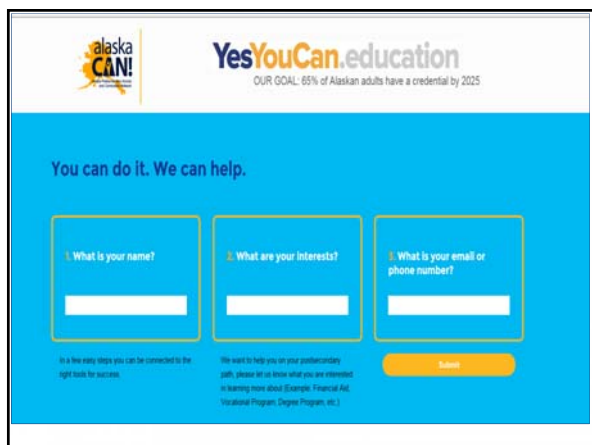
Professional Development & Networking

- To Date:
 - "65 by 2025 - Alaska Can!" 2015, 2016, and 2017 Postsecondary Access & Completion service providers' conferences
 - Local, regional, and national experts
 - 4th Annual Alaska Can! To Take Place in March 2018
 - Counselor Career & College Training Initiative - Go Alliance Academy
 - Three courses were offered through ASDN and have all been completed
 - Professional Development Course: 49 out of the 55 students successfully completed the course and received credit
- Coming Next:
 - Development of regional Networks and postsecondary access action plans funded through Lumina grant

Statewide Messaging



- To Date:
 - Establishment of and advocacy for 65 by 2025 goal
 - Endorsements of goal by educational, Native, and other leading organizations
 - <http://65by2025.org/> website
 - Launched the Network Public Messaging Campaign on Oct 17, 2016
 - Website <http://yesyoucan.education/>



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OUR GOAL: 65% of Alaskan adults have a credential by 2025

You can do it. We can help.

1. What is your name?

2. What are your interests?

3. What is your email or phone number?

In a few easy steps you can be connected to the right tools for success.

We want to help you set your postsecondary path, please let us know what you are interested in learning more about (Example: Financial Aid, Vocational Program, Degree Program, etc.)

Research & Data Collection



- To Date:
 - Alaska-specific research by NCEMS & Alaska DOLWD to inform strategy development
 - Presentations available at Network website
- Coming Next:
 - Establishment of better baseline data around non-degree credentials

What Can You Do Now?



- Learn more: <http://65by2025.org/>
 - Become a Network Member
 - Review Program Inventory
 - Review Alaska data
 - Subscribe to Network listserv for future updates
- Attend meetings (dates posted online):
 - Board of Director meetings take place each month (usually the 3rd Thursday) and are open to public observers

What Can You Do Now?



- Join a committee
 - Do you have time available to take on additional tasks, such as research or drafting documents?
 - Would you be interested in joining or learning more about any of the following Committees?

Conference Committee	Go Alliance Committee	Fund Development Committee
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- If yes, contact Network staff to be connected to a committee chair.

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