

MEMORANDUM

TO: NWABSD Board of Education Members

Date: March 7, 2023

FR: Office of the Superintendent

SUBJECT: Alaska Technical Center
& STAR of the NW

Karl Kowalski, Director of ATC/STAR, reports on the following:

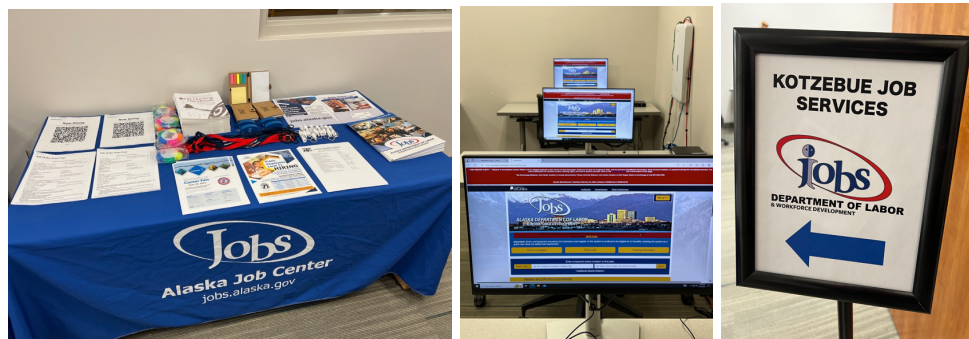
Spring Partnerships

ATC has several new partnerships that have expanded our offerings for Spring semester. The Kotzebue IRA will be sponsoring two classes: Energy Analyst Training Mar 4-9 and Solar Photovoltaics Apr 8-12. The Alaska Ironworkers Union will be sponsoring several classes this Spring including a Safety week, Welding, and MSHA classes. NANA is sponsoring culinary arts and driver's education.

Alaska Job Center

The Kotzebue satellite office of the Alaska Job Center opened this week. A partnership with the Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development will have the center open 1-week per month through the spring on a trial basis. Upcoming dates for the rest of the Spring Semester are:

Week of February 26th
Week of March 25th
Week of April 22nd
Week of May 27th
Week of June 24th



GED Update

We have 46 students enrolled in the GED program. This includes students in Kotzebue, Kivalina, Ambler, Kiana, Noorvik, Selawik and Deering.

Kivalina trip report:

6 students joined the class and 4 completed GED ready tests. 3 students got a “green” light and can take one of the official tests. Connectivity is proving a challenge with the official tests. We are working with Pearson, the testing agency, and school district IT staff to configure a mobile testing laptop that can be taken to the village for testing purposes.

Completers:

Two Students have completed their GED.
Three have completed 3 out of 4 exams
Eight have completed 1 of 4 exams.

STAR of the Northwest Magnet School:

We are currently at an enrollment of 18 full-time students. Our enrollment has been as high as 33, however due to a variety of circumstances, students have enrolled and unenrolled.

Some Highlights:

- 5 students employed in the community.
- Students continue to receive regular physical and mental Healthcare
- Community service-shoveling for elders
- Students participated in Cross-Country, Volleyball, Wrestling, and Youth Leaders
- Four STAR students will be attending Close-up in April

23-24 ReadiSTAR schedule:

Kotzebue Exploratory	03/04 – 03/08
Ambler/Shungnak/Kobuk	03/18 – 03/29
Buckland/Deering	04/01 – 04/12
Selawik	04/15 – 04/26
Driver’s Testing	04/29- 05/10



Spring Schedule:

Short Course Schedule

Boiler and Furnace Repair	Jan 8 – 12
Entrepreneurship Training Borough CEDC	Jan 8 - 12
Toyo Stove Repair	Jan 15-19
Electrical Trades Level 1	Feb 5 – 11
Energy Analyst Training (Kotzebue IRA)	Mar 4-9
Electrical Controls Training ANTHC <i>(Part of the Rural Water/Wastewater series)</i>	Mar 25 – 29
NMS Security Intern Training	Apr 1 - 19
CDL Training	Apr 1 – 12 Kotzebue
HAZWOPER 8-Hour refresher	Apr 8
Solar Photovoltaics PV101 (Kotzebue IRA)	Apr 8- 12
CDL Practicum, Testing, Certification	Apr 15 - 26 Palmer
CLASS D Driver’s License	Apr 17-21
Heavy Equipment Operator	April 15- 26
Safety Week: OSHA 10/CPR First Aid/ Firewatch (AK Ironworkers)	Apr 15 – Apr 19
NW Regional Housing Summit	Apr 23-24
Heavy Equipment Practicum, Testing, Certification <i>Elders and Youth</i>	April 29 – May 17 <i>Apr 30- May 2</i>
	<i>May 7 – May 9</i>
	<i>-or-</i>
Small Engine Repair	May 6 – May 10
Welding Certification AWS D1.1 (AK Ironworkers)	May 6 – May 10
MSHA 16hr Part 46 New Miner (AK Ironworkers)	May 20 – May 24
MSHA 16hr Part 48B New Miner (AK Ironworkers)	
MSHA Refresher (AK Ironworkers)	
Girls Can Weld Camp	May 28- Jun 1
HAZWOPER 40 Hour	Jun 3 – Jun 7
State Board of Education	Jun 4 – Jun 6
Outboard Motor Repair and Troubleshooting	Jun 10 – Jun 14
ANSEP	Jun 12 - Jun 16
AK Humanities Forum	Jun 29 – Jul 2
Upward Bound T3 Energy Strand	Jul 11- Jul 14
AASB Regional Meeting	Jul 17- Jul 20

ATC Spring Schedule: Full Semester and HS Courses

2nd Semester ATC							
ATC Construction Trades (Keeter)	ATC Health Occupations (Panlilio)	ATC Process Technology (Green)	Defensive Driving (Kowalski/Keeter)	ATC Culinary (Alejandro Vargas)	CTE (Beck)	CTE (Tumaneng)	OPTIONS
Construction Trades Technology Certification	Health	CTE205B Intro to Process Tech II, Industrial Machinery & Processes		CTE109 Culinary Arts II	RDYSTAR100	RDYSTAR100	
	CTE104 Wilderness First Aid	Intro to Robotics			RDYSTAR100	RDYSTAR100	
	CTE101F Professionalism in Healthcare	CTE 307 Employability skills		English 11/12	RDYSTAR100		
CTE212 NCCER Core	CTE106 Certified Nursing Assistant	CTE209 Foundations Technology & Engineering (DRONES)		Culinary Arts	RDYSTAR100	VOC 104 Business Software II	
CTE204 Intro to Construction Trades		CTE220 Design & Fabrication I		RDYSTAR100	RDYSTAR100		
		VOC 107 Small Business Enterprise		CTE203 Arctic Resource Management II	RDYSTAR100		
			ATC5003 A Defensive Driving				

Drivers Education

The first Defensive Driver's Ed course ran January 3- February 16, eleven (11) students completed the classroom component and received their learner's permits. Over the course of the Spring they will continue practice driving and will be eligible to take the driving test after they've held their permit for 6 months.

The second session began Feb 19th and will run through April 12th with 11 students enrolled.
The third session will run April 15- May 24th.

