



## Tips and Application Information

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### We need you...

Alaska is an exciting place to teach, with outstanding opportunities for educational innovation given the extraordinary diversity of the state. If you have a solid academic background with good references, a positive attitude, Strong interpersonal skills, and a sense of adventure, **Alaska is the place for you!**

The greatest need for teachers is in the rural areas. The job market is more competitive in the urban and southeastern districts.

### High Demand Areas

- Speech Pathology
- Special Education (all areas)
- School Counseling/School Psychology
- Physical/Occupational Therapy
- Secondary Teachers (dual endorsements)
- Math/Science

### Good Demand Areas

- Principals
- Language Arts/English
- Elementary Education
- Vocational Education/Industrial Arts
- Computer Technology
- Business Education

### What to bring...

Your Job Fair Packet should be prepared and ready for distribution before the Job Fair! Prepare between 15 to 20 packets for the districts you want to interview with.

This job fair packet should consist of these items:

- ⇒ The ATP Statewide Application Form
- ⇒ A Letter of Introduction (cover letter)
- ⇒ A current resume (2 pages at most please)
- ⇒ Professional References, at least three.

You may want to bring additional information such as a portfolio or sample lesson plans for interviews.

Alaska Teacher Placement will not bring any of the above information to the job fair; please have your application packets ready to distribute prior to attending the job fair.

### What to do...

At the Job Fair you will visit district information booths to submit your job fair packet which should include the Statewide Application Form (download it at the [www.atp.alaska.edu](http://www.atp.alaska.edu)), a resume and cover letter, professional references and a copy of our Alaska Teaching Certification or the yellow application card.

At the Job Fair you will speak to administrators who have positions available in your endorsement area(s), and attend informational presentations to learn more about those districts. District administrators will review your application packet and evaluate your qualifications for an in-depth interview.

Communication between you and the districts will occur primarily through your job fair "mailbox." Alaska Teacher Placement staff will have your mailbox ready at the fair. You will schedule interviews directly with district personnel using your official interview form. Hiring takes place at the job fair and after, so keep a positive attitude in your pursuit.

Because Alaska Teacher Placement does not select who will be interviewed, **WE CANNOT GUARANTEE THAT YOU WILL RECEIVE INTERVIEWS DURING THE JOB FAIR.**