

2022-2023 School Profile



MAT-SU MIDDLE COLLEGE SCHOOL

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Grades: 9th-12th

Enrollment: 183

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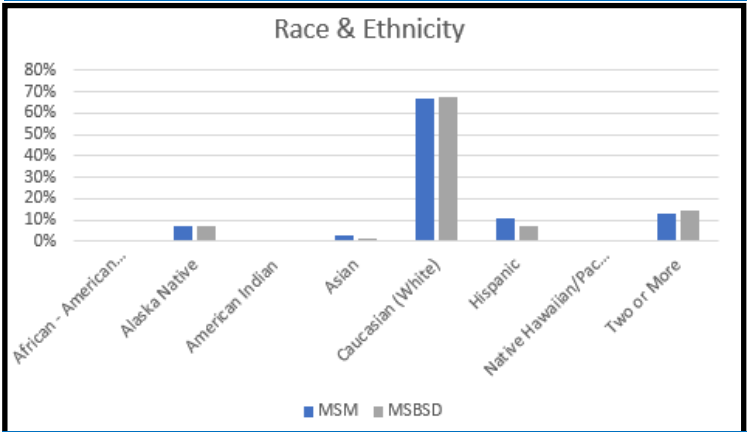
Program Description

Mat-Su Middle College School (MSMCS), a Northwest-Accredited high school, is a partnership between the Matanuska-Susitna Borough School District (MSBSD) and the University of Alaska. The school opened in fall 2011. Our location is on the Mat-Su College campus in Palmer, Alaska. MSMCS is a dual-enrollment program through which college-capable students complete coursework that earns college credits towards a high school diploma and college degree. Application is open to all juniors and seniors residing within the Matanuska-Susitna Borough. MSMCS students integrate with regular college students in classes taught by college professors. Enrollment in MSMCS provides students with the opportunity to earn enough college credits to enter a four-year university with sophomore or junior-level credit status. Students who work hard and take full advantage of this program can graduate with an Associate degree. MSMCS pays all costs associated with tuition, fees and course-required materials. As members of the college community, MSMCS students can avail themselves of the resources offered by Mat-Su College. They have access to computer labs, campus clubs, theater, library, career counseling, advising and mental health services.

Community

The Matanuska-Susitna Borough is located in South-central Alaska about 35 miles north of Anchorage. The Borough, often referred to as the "Mat-Su Valley," has a total area of 25,258 square miles— an area larger than the state of West Virginia. The population as of 2022 is over 105,000 residents. The area is considered to be Alaska's breadbasket because it is the state's largest agricultural region. The Borough is the fastest growing region of the state, largely based on its proximity to Anchorage; nearly 40 percent of the Borough residents work in Anchorage. Twenty-six percent of the adult population holds a Bachelors degree or higher. The MSBSD serves 18,060 students with 36% on Free or Reduced Lunch.

Demographics



Facts and Highlights

Our 2022 Graduates (81 students)

- ◆ College course completion rate 88%
- ◆ 2820 college credits earned
- ◆ 3.2 average college GPA
- ◆ 3.9 million dollars in scholarships offered
- ◆ High school cumulative GPA:
 - 34 earned a 4.0+
 - 30 earned a 3.5-3.99
 - 14 earned a 3.0-3.49
 - 3 earned a 2.5-2.99

GPA Calculation – GPAs are calculated on a 4.0 scale. AP, IB courses and 100-level and above college courses (beg. fall 2017) are weighted one additional point. In 2022, a minimum of 23.5 credits were required for graduation, increasing to a minimum of 24.5 in 2023. To mitigate effects of COVID-19, MSBSD (Spring 2020) and the University of Alaska, Anchorage (Spring and Fall 2020) provided students the option of Pass/Fail grading rather than letter grades.

	MSMCS	AK	Nation	
SAT				45% of the CO of 2022 (40) took the SAT
ERW	567	565	531	50th percentile ERW scored 560
Math	550	545	528	50th percentile Math scored 540
ACT				18% of the CO of 2022 (16) took the ACT
Composite	23.3	20.4	19.8	50th percentile scored 23
English	22.3	19.3	19.0	50th percentile scored 23
Math	23.2	20.0	19.3	50th percentile scored 23
Reading	24.6	21.4	20.4	50th percentile scored 24
Science	23.2	20.4	19.9	50th percentile scored 21