Kenai Peninsula Borough Community & Fiscal Projects

MEMORANDUM

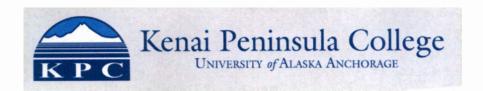
TO: Charlie Pierce, Mayor

FROM: Brenda Ahlberg, Community & Fiscal Projects Manager

DATE: July 23, 2018

RE: Kenai Peninsula College FY18 Program Report

Please reference the attached report for activities July 1, 2017 - June 30, 2018, which is provided annually as required in the Borough Postsecondary Education funding (KPB Code of Ordinances Chapter 5.24).



Kenai Peninsula College

FY18 Program Narrative Report

Postsecondary Education Funding

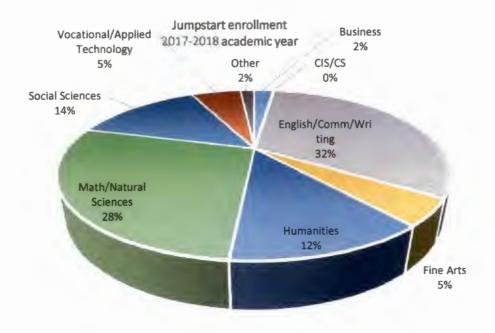
July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

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TUITION WAIVERS / JUMPSTART

Funding provides a partial waiver for up to six credits/semester for high school juniors and seniors wanting to enroll in college classes. These students are able take up to six credits/semester for five semesters (total of 30 credits equivalent to one full-time year of college) beginning the fall semester when they become a junior. In Fall 2018, students will pay \$70/credit (regular lower division tuition is \$212/credit) since the University of Alaska Board of Regents approved a 5% tuition increase at their November 2017 meeting.

	Summer '17	Fall '17	Spring '18	Total	
Business	0	1	10	11	Includes BA, ACCT and Economics
CIOS/CIS/CS	0	1	0	1	Includes Computer Science and Computer Info Systems
Fine Arts	1	6	18	25	Includes Art, Music, Dance, Theatre
English/Writing, Communications	0	89	80	169	Includes English, Writing and Communications
Humanities	2	37	27	66	Includes History, foreign Languages, Philosophy, ASL * some ENGL Humanities included
Math/Natural Sciences	7	92	48	147	Includes Biology, Chemistry, Geology, Math, Physics and Statistics
Social Sciences	2	42	28	72	Includes Anthropology, Human Services, Justice, Political Science, Psychology and Sociology
Vocational/Applied Technology	0	16	13	29	Includes WELD, CNA, EMT, PRT, PETR and ET
Other	0	3	5	8	All other credited classes



KPC JumpStart Program - Summer 2017 Semester

		NEW DATA		SUMMER		NEW DATA	5	SUMMER	
	SCHOOLS	STUDENTS				CREDITS			
	(alphabetical listing)	2017	2016	2015	2014	2017	2016	2015	2014
1	Anchor Academy								
2	Alyeska Central								
3	Aurora Christian								
4	Community Christian								
5	Connections (KPBSD)	5	2	2	6	22	9	12	27
6	Cook Inlet Academy								
7	Galena Sch Dist (IDEA)		1		2		3		6
8	Homer Flex								
9	Homer High		1				3		
10	Homeschool								
11	Kenai Alternative High								
12	Kenai Central	1	3	1	3	3	9	3	12
13	Nikiski		1	2	1			6	3
14	Nikolaevsk								
15	Ninilchik				2				3
16	River City Academy		1				4		
17	Seward								
18	Skyview				2				9
19	Soldotna High	1	4	1	2	4	15	3	9
20	Susan B. English				1				
21	Voznesenka								
22	Wings Christian Academy			1				6	
	TOTALS:	7	13	7	19	29	43	30	69

KPC JumpStart Program – Fall 2017 Semester

		NEW DATA		FALL		NEW DATA		FALL	
	SCHOOLS		STUDENTS				CREDITS		
	(alphabetical listing)	2017	2016	2015	2014	2017	2016	2015	2014
1	Anchor Academy								
2	Alyeska Central								
3	Aurora Christian								
4	Community Christian								
5	Connections (KPBSD)	44	38	40	38	264	186	204	191
6	Cook Inlet Academy	2				7			
7	Copper River								
8	Frontier Charter School				1				
9	Galena Sch Dist (IDEA)	14	15	23	23	74	82	115	126
10	Homer Flex	5	1	1	5	20	3	4	17
11	Homer High	42	34	20	18	149	144	81	65
12	Homeschool, Private	1			4	12			27
13	Homer Selo								
14	Kenai Alternative High				1				6

15	Kenai Central	15	22	16	20	71	86	64	84
16	Nanwalek								
17	Nikiski	4	6	4	2	14	26	16	6
18	Nikolaevsk	4	1		1	18	6		6
19	Ninilchik	5	4	4	7	18	22	16	25
20	Raven								
21	Razdolna			1				3	
22	River City Academy	3	5	2	4	7	24	9	17
23	Seward	13	21	18	20	51	75	54	76
24	Skyview				14				62
25	Soldotna High	18	28	27	37	123	124	127	159
26	Susan B. English	1	1	3	1	7	4	14	3
27	Voznesenka								
28	Wings Christian Academy			1	1			6	
	TOTALS:	171	176	160	197	835	779	713	870

KPC JumpStart Program - Spring 2018 Semester

		NEW DATA		SPRING		NEW DATA		SPRING	
	SCHOOLS		STUDENTS		CREDITS				
	(alphabetical listing)	2018	2017	2016	2015	2018	2017	2016	2015
1	Anchor Academy								
2	Alyeska Central								
3	Aurora Christian						The Control		
4	Community Christian								
5	Connections (KPBSD)	35	21	35	40	203	111	180	187
6	Cook Inlet Academy	1			2	6			6
7	Frontier Charter School								
8	Galena Sch Dist (IDEA)	15	11	20	20	93	70	104	95
9	Homer Flex	4	2	2	3	12	4	12	15
10	Homer High	37	21	13	17	129	99	47	70
11	Homeschool - private	1	2		1	6	9		6
12	Homeschool - Selo								
13	Kenai Alternative High	1	1	1	1	6	6	6	6
14	Kenai Central	6	12	11	13	18	39	35	50
15	Nanwalek								
16	Nikiski	7	5	2	2	22	18	6	6
17	Nikolaevsk	3	1		1	15	6		6
18	Ninilchik	1	4	1	5	4	15	3	21
19	Razdolna			2				7	
20	River City Academy	2	4	4	7	6	21	13	27
21	Seward	15	18	19	21	51	73	61	84
22	Skyview								
23	Soldotna High	26	26	25	38	138	125	108	173
24	Susan B. English	1	1	2	1	7	4	7	6
25	Voznesenka	3	1	1	1	12	6	3	6
26	Wings Christian Academy			1	1			3	6
	TOTALS:	158	130	139	174	728	606	595	770

ADULT BASIC EDUCATION/GENERAL EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT

Funding provides personnel, travel, and support costs to make the ABE/GED program available throughout the Kenai Peninsula Borough, including Nikiski, Homer, Ninilchik, Seldovia, Port Graham, Nanwalek and other remote communities as needed.

Kenai River Campus

The following is a summation of the 2018 ABE/GED statistics, which were obtained from the State ABE database. Please note there were a total of 26 GED graduates as of 5/16/18. Of the 133 students at Soldotna, 32 of them were ESL students.

Our literacy program, affiliated with ProLiteracy America, offers program activities that include basic instruction, GED preparation, (26 GEDs were awarded between July 1, 2017 and May 16, 2018), work readiness, and life skills. Although the ABE/GED program will take a break for the summer, GED Testing will continue to be available three days a week through the KPC Testing Services.

English as Second Language students either had the opportunity to work with an individual instructor, in a group class, or received instruction from a volunteer tutor. Necessary Education and Technology Skills (NETS) courses were also offered to any student enrolled in the ABE/GED/ESL program, and included civic engagement at the Kenai Senior Center and the Food Bank as part of the course.

Our community volunteers met with students throughout the communities of Kenai, Soldotna, Sterling, Nikiski, and Ninilchik. Our Outreach Instructor and mobile GED examiner also served these communities.

All ABE students go through an intake assessment of either a TABE or BEST test. These tests, delivered online or paper-based, include a pre- and post-test to assess progress in the program.

Currently our partners include the Kenaitze Indian Tribe Educational Services, Department of Labor and Workforce Development (Kenai One Stop), the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District, the Independent Living Center, the Food Bank, and the Alaska Department of Vocational Rehabilitation, local churches health clinics, and local businesses. We continue to have space donated to us to provide ABE services directly in Kenai at the One Stop, at the local libraries, and churches.

Site	Full-Time Students	Contact Hours
Ninilchik	2	122
Soldotna	65	3,556
Total	57	3,678

Site	Part-Time Students	Contact Hours
Ninilchik	0	Û
Soldotna	68	439.5
Total	68	439.5

Grand Total	135	4117.50

Kachemak Bay Campus

64 students received services this year at Homer. 11 students earned their GED and others greatly improved their literacy levels and ESL abilities as a result of the writing, life skills, math, science and

reading classes. Outreach activities were held around Homer, in Anchor Point, Razdolna, Voznesenka, Kachemak Selo and Seldovia.

COURSES AT RESURRECTION BAY EXTENSION SITE - Seward

Funding provides courses in basic general requirements such as English, Psychology, Art, Communication, professional development and community interest courses.

The Resurrection Bay Extension Site (RBES) offered three classes in Fall 2017 and four classes in Spring 2018. Thirty-five students total enrolled in RBES courses during the fall semester, and twenty-four during spring semester. Thirteen Seward High School students took advantage of the JumpStart Program to attend classes in Fall 2017 and fifteen students utilized the JumpStart Program during Spring 2018.

Fall 2017 Courses

MATH A105 Intermediate Algebra, 3 Credits, 10 students enrolled. PS A101 Intro to American Government 3 credits, 18 students enrolled (web based). WRTG A111 Writing Across Contexts, 7 students enrolled.

Spring 2018 Courses

ENGL A121 Introduction to Literature, 3 credits, 6 students enrolled. PS A101 Intro to American Government 3 Credits, 5 students enrolled (web based). PSY A111 General Psychology, 3 Credits, 8 students enrolled. WRTG A110 Intro to College Writing, 5 students enrolled.

COORDINATOR/NIGHT STAFFING - Kenai River Campus

The Evening Coordinator at KRC provides after-hours student support on the Kenai River Campus until 9:30 PM Monday thru Thursday when classes are in session. Of the 100 plus courses offered at the Kenai River Campus each semester about 40 of those are evening classes. There are limited services provided for these students and no direct oversight of the evening program. This funding provides salary, benefits, and support for a 23 hr/week position. This position provides general advising information for evening students; coordinates the evening program; provides administrative staffing for evening hours, thereby improving security during the evening; and provides staff support for special projects. The night coordinator is trained in CPR, First Aid, and operation of the Automatic External Defibrillator machines.

LIBRARY SUPPORT - Kachemak Bay Campus

The KBC Library provided academic library support to our staff, faculty and face-to-face and web-based course students. KBC Semester by the Bay and Jumpstart students are also served by our library. New library accounts were processed for 127 students. An average of 42 students per week received services. 11 in-person classroom presentations were given on library/consortium use and on-line research methods, KBC Library is part of the larger UAA Consortium Library system, which includes over 25 academic and public libraries across the state. KBC Library services also include processing book/media circulations, interlibrary loans, cataloging acquisitions and holdings, library accounts processing and management, coordination of course-supporting materials and maintaining and enriching KBC book/media collections. Other library services include extensive research and editing assistance,

computer assistance, library room usage monitoring, course-supported materials search and phone/in-person contact with general public and library staff located across the state.

INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT - Kachemak Bay Campus

Funding provides Bayview Hall's daily academic and administrative support and test proctoring activities. Staff member is the primary front-line telephone receptionist for KBC campus. Support services were provided for 12 staff and faculty. This year 881 tests were proctored (placement tests, professional licensure tests, national standardized placements tests, e-Learning and GED).

INFORMATION/REGISTRATION CLERK - Kachemak Bay

This staff person solely provides registration and enrollment services and Student Services administrative support at KBC and provides the public and students with information and referrals on all campus and UA programs, services and events.

TUTORS - LEARNING CENTERS

Kenai River Campus

Tutoring services included support for courses in Writing (both face-to-face and online), Mathematics, English as a Second Language, and computer/digital literacy. The face-to-face lab averaged 129 visits to this walk-in service per semester. An *additional* 135 students who enrolled in either the ABE/GED and/or ESL program received tutor support as well. This tutoring included one-on-one and small group instruction, in a range of subjects, and represented most of the support programs offered through the KRC Learning Center. KRC also has the support of community volunteers that give their time to provide assistance.

Volunteer Tutors	Number	Total Hours
Community Volunteers	13	306.25
Totals	13	306.25

Ketchemak Bay Campus

1019 writing-related tutoring sessions were held with 85 students. Our math learning specialist tutored 26 students during 175 math tutoring sessions.

DEVELOPMENTAL ADVISOR ROLE - Kenai River Campus

The Developmental Advisor provides services to first-time, incoming, and potential students. This position encompasses a wide range of services spanning Admissions, Financial Aid, Veterans eligibility, academic placement and college readiness, and course selection/planning. Focused efforts targeted KRC students who scored into preparatory Math and English courses. Interventions included phone calls, face- to face appointments, classroom visits, and weekly email notifications. Preparatory coursework at KRC is defined as: MATH A054, MATH A055, WRTG A090, and WRTG A110.

Annual Overview

Funding for this position provided placement and course advising to ~557 students entering college or taking courses at the developmental level. The FY18 data reflects the dates spanning July 1, 2017 through May 31, 2018. Notably, 32% of the Developmental Advisor individual advising appointments were students who attended more than one advising appointment. This demonstrates that students continue to build on the relationship formed with the Developmental Advisor.

Direct Service Activities

The following illustration demonstrates the multiple avenues of outreach and direct contact between the Developmental Advisor and the students served. The chart below reflects the activities and appointments provided by the Developmental Advisor.

Post-Accuplacer/ALEKS Advising

At this advising session, the Developmental Advisor will review test results, discuss student's goals at KRC and outline appropriate courses relative to scores. The session concludes with the provision of contact information for the academic advisor of their indicated program, general information about registration, admission, and financial aid. A follow-up appointment may be scheduled as needed. Accuplacer is the Writing Placement and ALEKS is the Math placement test.

Academic Counseling

This activity represents direct services to students. Due to the nature of a changing student body, face-to-face appointments are not always possible. Therefore, this position has utilized alternative methods of meeting student needs through an increase of phone and email appointments. Email communication is not represented in these numbers. Emails to all students occur at the beginning of the semester to remind students of the add/drop dates. Emails occur at the five week mark of the semester and at the withdrawal period as well. These emails remind student of Counseling and Advising services, encourage communication with Advisors and remind students of other supportive services. Email and phone contacts also occur as students may be referred by instructors.

General Advising Walk-Ins

This activity contains sessions during scheduled walk-in hours, as well as students who arrive without appointments. Some cross-categorization may occur of students who meet multiple criteria, e.g. Walk In, Developmental, and Veteran. Walk-in appointments during non-walk-in hours are students who present questions that are brief in nature and are given 15-30 minute appointment blocks.

Individual Contacts:

This activity is comprised of time spent in advising appointments to identify and support developmental students wherein 48% were general advising appointments, 29% were developmental advising appointments, 3% were CNA Advising appointments, 3% were phone appointments, the remainder were outreach efforts toward individuals through phone calls and emails.

Veteran's Paperwork

Developmental advisees fall under many of the direct services categories. Veterans represented 1% of total appointments in the past year.

Classroom Visits

This activity is a direct outreach to students in the preparatory Math and Writing face-to-face course sections to establish contact and provide a handout with resources and contact information. Such contact increases the visibility of the position and students' direct access to resources on campus. This year the Developmental Advisor visited nine classrooms. The lower number of class visits represents the lower number of face-to-face developmental sections.

CNA Advising

In the past year, the Developmental Advisor has increased responsibility in relation to the Certified Nurse Aide intake process at the KRC campus. The Developmental Advisor assists in checking compliance and completion of Program Applicants, conducts background checks, and coordinates with the Nursing Faculty to provide up-to-date information about waitlists, processes, and admissions into the six-credit CNA course offered at KPC as HCA A105.

Summary of Indirect Activities, Trainings, and Supervision

This year the Developmental Advisor engaged in retention, outreach, student success activities and recruitment services. Each workshop is a scaffolding to improve the online presence, outreach and engagement of a generation of students who interact more through their phones than face- to-face.

Developmental Advising 29% CNA Advising 3% Classroom Visits 12% Developmental Outreach via phone Accuplacer

5%

Develomental Advising - Outreach

STUDENT ADVISOR – Kachemack Bay Campus

The Advisor provides advising services to all students and potential students seeking a degree or certificate regarding admissions, career counseling, financial aid, academic placement and course selection/planning. Conducts retention and student success and retention activities and recruitment services.

VETERAN SERVICES COORDINATOR & SAFETY OFFICER

3%

The Veteran Services Coordinator (VSC) position was created in FY14 to manage KPC's student veteran educational benefit programs and provide other assistance to veteran students at both KPC campuses. In Fall 2017 KPC had 181 VA students, while in Spring 2018 there were 178. 10 veteran students graduated during the 2017/2018 academic year and 7 veterans participated in KPC's spring commencement ceremony. The VSC also manages two Veteran Work Study student positions, funded by the VA, to assist in the certification of VA benefits.

Veteran Registrations

In total, the VSC completed 359 veteran student certifications for the Fall 2017 and Spring 2018 semesters. Of that total, 59 were KPC degree seeking students. 9 of KPC's degree seeking certifications were for the Process Technology program, 4 were for the Industrial Process Instrumentation program and 8 students were seeking a dual major in both Process Technology and Instrumentation. The remaining 34 KPC degree seeking veteran students pursued degrees in a variety of associate programs. 267 Guest Student certifications were submitted for veteran students enrolled in degree programs at other campuses within the UA system.

Early Veterans Registration

KPC veteran students are allowed to register for KPC sponsored courses before any other KPC/UAA student cohort. The opportunity to register early allows veteran students to more efficiently utilize their benefits by getting the classes required for graduation as early as possible.

Establishment of KRC Veterans' Services

In May 2015, the Veterans Center moved from the ResLife building to the main campus and still provides VA students a place to bond, study, and share experiences. Veteran Services consists of a lounge area with a Keurig coffee maker, an office provided to the VA Work Study students and a study room with internet access.

KPC Veterans Talent Grant Scholarship

The Veterans Talent Grant Scholarship is designed to compound KPC's investment in its veteran population. KPC will reinvest 3% of the total VA funded credit hours from the 2017-2018 academic year back into the veteran population in the form of tuition waivers for the Fall 2018 and Spring 2019 semesters.

To be eligible a veteran must meet the following criteria:

- Honorable discharge as reflected on the veteran's DD214.
- Admitted to a KPC degree program and enrolled in at least 6 KPC credit hours.
- A GPA of at least 2.0 for returning students.
- Preference given to combat veterans as defined by the award of a recognized campaign medal or badge, service in Korea between 30 June, 1949 and the present, or earned hostile fire or imminent danger pay.
- Preference given to veterans with no VA educational entitlement remaining.

VA Work study Program

KPC currently has two VA funded veteran work study students supporting the Veteran Services Coordinator. Work study students must be veteran students attending school at least ¾ time (9 credit hours) per semester. The students can work up to 25 hours per week and receive either the state or federal minimum wage (whichever is higher). The addition of the two work study positions has effectively tripled the support provided to veteran students at no additional cost to the college or the borough.

National Vietnam War Veteran's Day

Kenai Peninsula College is a commemorative partner with the Department of Defense to aid in the large job of honoring our nation's Vietnam Veterans. KPC hosted its first National Vietnam War Veterans' Day event on March 29, 2018 to thank local Vietnam Veterans. KPC will continue to host this event by request of the Kenai Peninsula Borough's local Veterans and their families.

Safety Officer

The VSC also serves as the KPC safety officer who provides a variety of campus safety briefings and ensures OSHA compliance is followed in a safe work environment using safe equipment. The coordinator is the conduit for safety information from/to UAA and the University of Alaska Statewide office of Risk Management.

RECRUITER

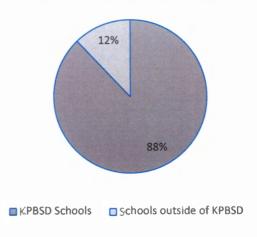
Areas of Service

- School visits and application assistance
- College fairs and community events
- · Tours and events hosted at the college
- Peer Ambassador Scholars

School Visits and Application Assistance

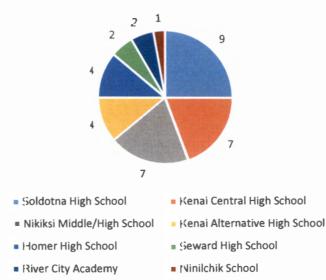
From August 2017 through June 2018, the KPC Recruiter coordinated visits to 12 schools throughout the Kenai Peninsula Borough School District and other parts of the state, traveling to some schools multiple times for a total of 41 occurrences. Of the 41 visits, 36 were to local KPBSD high schools. Events included college fairs, application days, placement testing, and presentations on KPC Jumpstart, degree programs, admissions, and financial aid.

School Visits by Percentage



KPC Application Day events took place at 7 KPBSD high schools. These events encouraged students to start the college admissions process and submit applications early. In total, the KPC recruiter assisted 73 individual students in starting an application to KPC or one of the other University of Alaska campuses. Of those students who completed an application, nine were later selected as KPC high school senior tuition scholarship award winners. It is typical for first time freshmen to wait until early August to register for fall courses and thus difficult to determine just how many of those 73 applicants will actually be enrolling at KPC for the 2018-2019 academic year.

Number of Visits per School



College Fairs and Community Events

Throughout the 2017-2018 academic school year, KPC sent a representative to five college fairs throughout the state including three rural communities: Bethel, Dillingham and Aniak. With its residence hall, the Kenai River Campus is able to recruit students outside of the Kenai Peninsula who are looking to start their post-secondary education at a small campus with a close-knit community. This helps to increase the diversity of our campus and brings economic growth to the borough.

In combining the attendance at all of the college fairs, the KPC recruiter was able to reach more than 3,000 students.

Soldotna Progress Days

In July of 2017, the KPC Recruiter and other KPC Student Services staff operated a booth at Soldotna Progress Days. This was an opportunity to interact with the community, engage out-of-town/state visitors, and promote classes offered in the upcoming semester.

Geneva Woods Community Wellness Convention

KPC was invited to be an exhibitor at the Geneva Woods Community Wellness Convention in December. The KPC Recruiter and KRC Learning Center partnered together to staff the booth and promote education as an essential piece to community health and wellness. A 3-credit tuition waiver was awarded as a door prize at the event and the winner has made plans attend KPC in the fall.

Kenai Peninsula Job Fair

The KPC Recruiter coordinated the rotation of two KRC staff and two student Peer Ambassador Scholars at this annual event. This Peninsula Job Fair provides the opportunity to recruit non-traditional aged college students who may be unaware of the many services that we offer.

IDEA Curriculum Fair

The annual IDEA Curriculum Fair was held on April 24 and KPC was there as an exhibitor to encourage home school students and parents to take advantage of KPC's JumpStart program. KPC's Financial Aid office provided supporting materials to educate families on finding funding for college and career school.

Tours and Events Hosted at KPC

Throughout the year, we host numerous groups on campus for a tour of our facilities. The KPC Recruiter collaborated with Counseling & Advising, Financial Aid, Rural and Native Student Services, Learning Center, Residence Life, and various faculty to ensure that prospective students received a balanced overview of all programs and services available at KPC. This year alone we hosted 11 individual groups and 8 private tours including:

Group Name	Total Number of People Served
Alaska Native Language Conference	10 community members
Aspiring Workforce-Mountain View Elementary	75 students (grade 4), 8 chaperones
EXCEL Alaska (3 groups)	40 students (grades 11-12), 6 chaperones
First Alaskans	20 student interns
Kenai Peninsula 4-H	5 students, 1 chaperone
KPBSD UPSTREAM Academy (2 groups)	72 students (grades 6-7), 8 chaperones
Taste of College - Nunaniq School	15 students (grades 11-12), 4 chaperones
Project Grad - Ninilchik	4 students, 2 chaperones
Soldotna Prep School	200 students (grade 9), 16 chaperones
Taste of College – Tuntutuliak	5 students, 2 chaperones
Seward High School	20 students, 2 chaperones
8 private tours	15
Total	530

KRC Open House

In addition to campus tours, the KPC recruiter coordinates events that invite students, parents, and community members to the campus. On February 23, 2018, Kenai Peninsula College's Kenai River Campus held an Open House where we focused on highlighting degree programs, courses, and campus services offered at our campuses. The event had representation from 17 degree programs (e.g. Business, Paramedic Tech, Welding), six campus departments (e.g. Admissions and Registration, Counseling and Advising, Financial Aid), and the Student Union. Participants attended four 25-minute classroom sessions hosted by KRC staff and faculty. Sessions covered a variety of topics from Alaska Native languages and Anthropology to Financial Aid and tours of the Residence Hall. Students also had the opportunity to tour our labs and studios, getting a sense for the kind of hands-on learning that goes on at Kenai Peninsula College.

Throughout the event KPBSD students and community members were able to:

- Meet with Faculty from all majors offered on campus
- Learn about Residential Life and housing (including dorm tours)
- Ask questions about scholarships and FASFA with the Financial Aid Representatives
- Explore student government with Student Union Representatives
- Understand the process for admission and registration through the Registrar
- Discuss how Counseling and Advising can work for you
- Become familiar with the Learning Center and tutoring assistance
- Tour the 3-D art studio, paramedic & welding labs, and the CTEC Simulator

PEER AMBASSADOR SCHOLARS

Peer Ambassadors are student representatives selected for their leadership skills and academic excellence to aid with recruitment events.

In August, one of the four KRC Peer Ambassador positions moved to the Kachemack Bay Campus, however, no candidate was selected until January 2018. KBC's Student and Enrollment Services Coordinator, Kim Frost, facilitates the hiring and training for this position.

The Kenai River Campus had three Peer Ambassador Scholars return for service during the Fall 2017 semester. Each scholar received a 6-credit tuition waiver for volunteering their time to assist the KPC recruiter with on-campus tours, local events, and college fairs around the state. Ambassadors receive a 3-hour training at the beginning of the semester and then attend biweekly meetings through December. During the fall, Peer Ambassadors assisted with 14 events and/or tours, serving a combined total of 90 hours excluding meeting times.

In Spring 2018, one new Peer Ambassador was selected to fill a vacancy on the team. Weekly office hours were established to increase volunteer time and ensure that the KPC Recruiter had assistance with prepping for events and tours.