ANNUAL REPORT TO THE PEOPLE
2014/2015

Alaska’s Only Tribal College

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Iñuinñat Ukiut — Twenty Years.

This year marks the 20th year of Ilisaġvik College and with that anniversary we have the opportunity to share in the accomplishments of our alumni and students, and our organization. One generation ago, we did not have higher education, and two generations ago, we did not have a locally controlled school system on the North Slope. Today, we not only have elementary and secondary schools, but we have our very own accredited community college that serves as Alaska’s only tribal college! In addition, our schools are locally controlled, supported by our Iñupiaq culture, values, traditions, and languages. AARIGAA! What an accomplishment to be proud of and celebrate!

This past year students graduated with 14 Associate Degrees, 28 certificates, and 83 endorsements. Over the past 20 years, Ilisaġvik College has graduated 1,251 students: 172 Associate Degrees, 470 certificates, 212 endorsements, and 397 GEDs. These Ilisaġvik College graduates are making a difference in their lives, the lives of their families, their communities, and the state of Alaska.

This year’s theme, Iḷaġiigñiq: Family and Kinship, supports our 20th Anniversary and the celebration of the success of our graduates and students, and the positive impact their education has made on their families. This is what Ilisaġvik College is all about—Educating the leaders of today and the leaders of tomorrow. We can envision a brighter future for our families and for our communities with a culturally based education as an important foundation for our people.

Please enjoy this year’s annual report. Each year Ilisaġvik expands as an institution and provides more opportunities for growth to our students and our communities. Join me in congratulating the College on their 20th anniversary!

Pearl Kiyawn Brower, President
AS AN EXPRESSION OF THIS MISSION, ILISAQVIK COLLEGE PURSUES THE FOLLOWING CORE THEMES:

**ACADEMIC EDUCATION**—that education embodied in the Associate of Arts, the Associate of Science and the Associate of Applied Science degrees from which students either enter the workforce or transfer to four-year institutions.

**APPLIED KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS TO DEVELOP THE LOCAL WORKFORCE**—that education and training embodied in Certificates, Workforce Development programs, and partnerships with business and industry, which either prepare participants to enter the workforce or to gain additional skills to enhance their abilities in the workforce.

**ACCESS AND SUPPORT**—those activities which either prepare students to enter college-level programs or enable students to undertake college programs by providing classes to villages and providing the financial and learning resources to enable them to be successful in their endeavors.

**IÑUPIAQ CULTURE AND VALUES**—instruction and activities which incorporate principles of traditional education, including the promotion of Iñupiaq culture and values, and which provide opportunities for participation in cultural events important to the essence of being Iñupiaq.

**VISION**

To help build strong communities through education and training.

**MISSION**

Ilisaqvik College provides quality post-secondary academic, vocational and technical education in a learning environment that perpetuates and strengthens Iñupiat culture, language, values and traditions. It is dedicated to serving its students and developing a well educated and trained workforce who meet the human resource needs of North Slope employers and the state of Alaska.

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The Qijaun (drum) is at the heart of traditional Iñupiaq song and dance and is considered the pulse of the people and rhythm of the culture.
Iḷagiigñiq
Family and Kinship

Qiksiksrautiqağniq
Respect for Nature

Ukpiqqutiqagniq
Spirituality

Paaqläktautaiññiq
Avoidance of Conflict

Paammaaqigñiq
Cooperation

Añunihallaniq
Hunting Traditions

Iñupiuraallaniq
Knowledge of Language

Qiñuiññiq
Humility

Quvianguniq
Humor

Aviktuaqatigiigniq
Sharing

Piqpakkutiqagniq suli Qiksiksrautiqağniq
Love and Respect for Our Elders and One Another

Paammaaqigñiq
Cooperation

Traditional Inupiaq Values

Traditional Ibaleen carvings by Vernon Rexford
The Ilisaġvik College Board of Trustees on behalf of the residents of the North Slope Borough, governs Ilisaġvik College with a strategic perspective through a continually improved commitment, emphasizing vision, values, and fulfillment of the College’s mission, core themes, and goals.
ILAGIIGNIQ

Family and Kinship
Foundational Studies offers courses in math and English that support incoming and continuing students prior to or concurrent with their college-level courses. We are a dynamic division that works closely with other academic divisions in order to best serve Ilisaġvik students. In the last year, we have worked to improve our class delivery methods with innovative techniques, and to help even more students effectively transition into college-level courses. We now have math and English workshops that facilitate student progression by allowing students to concurrently enroll in 100-level courses like ENGL 111 and MATH 105.

### HIGHLIGHTS

- In 2014–2015, 86% of students concurrently enrolled in the Writing Workshop (ENGL 031) and ENGL 111 passed their courses and moved on.
- In 2014–2015, 100% of students enrolled in the Math Workshop (MATH 031) successfully matriculated into Business Math (BUS 105).
- We work with students to accelerate their foundational course of study.
- Google Docs was introduced as a free delivery and collaboration method to help bring more instruction to the villages.

60 ENROLLED
The Liberal Arts Program confers Associate of Arts degrees and certificates. Liberal Arts students take courses in a variety of disciplines in order to offer students a quality education and prepare them for transfer to a four-year institution to earn their bachelor’s degrees. Examples of course subjects include biology, anatomy and physiology, sociology, history, English, literature, math, and more. Our students graduate with a well-rounded body of knowledge and critical thinking skills. In the past year, our program has embodied the value of Ilagiīñiq by inviting community members and other tribal college representatives to serve on an Advisory Committee. We are fortunate for the guidance and input, which has made our Program even stronger.

HIGHLIGHTS

- In 2014–2015, the Liberal Arts Certificate was introduced. This 30-credit Certificate is a way to acknowledge the achievement of students who are halfway to their Associate’s degree.
- BIOL 197 (Individual Research Project) was approved. This course facilitates in-depth, individualized study that caters to students interested in the sciences.
- In 2014–2015, our new Advisory Committee convened for the first time, with representatives from the North Slope and other tribal colleges.
The Business Programs of Ilisaġvik College offers a variety of certificates and degrees in business administration, management, accounting, and more. The programs seek to meet the unique needs of North Slope students, and are designed to put students on the educational or career track that best suits their goals. Many of our classes are designed to mirror real-world jobs. For example, students in the Introduction to Business course run a simulated small business. In an accounting course, students work on the same type of discrete tasks that an actual accountant performs. Because 87% of our students work full-time, we are receptive to student needs and tailor our class offerings accordingly.

- The Business Program helps students continue and advance in their current occupations, or transition to a different career track in their field of study.
- The Business Program prepares students for transition to a four-year institution to earn a bachelor’s degree.
- In 2014-2015, 80% of our courses were offered in the evening or online to accommodate working students.
Vocational Education merged with Workforce Development this year in order to better serve our students and the community. The Department of Vocational Education and Workforce Development offers classes in Emergency Services, Associated Construction Trades (including plumbing and carpentry), and CDL/Heavy Equipment Operations. Many of our classes offer NCCER credit (a national certification), in addition to college credit, leading to higher employability. Our programs currently offer a variety of endorsements, certificates, and degrees, so students can choose their educational path to better suit their employment goals. In the past year, the Department added a new program of study in Construction Technology, in which students can earn a certificate and/or Associate of Applied Sciences degree.

HIGHLIGHTS

- In 2014-2015, the Department introduced the A.A.S. degree and certificate in Construction Technology.
- Diverse course options include: electrical, carpentry, plumbing, pipefitting, crew leadership, project supervision, project management, safety classes, CDL, and heavy equipment operations.
- Class sizes are small and staffed with professional, skilled instructors with decades of experience between them.
- Classes and programs are responsive to North Slope employer needs in order to benefit students.
The Inupiaq Studies Program offers certificates and an Associate of Arts Degree to students who wish to focus their educational journey on Inupiaq language, culture, history, and more. Students who graduate from the program receive a well-rounded education that they can take to their workplace, or transfer to a four-year institution to earn their bachelor’s degree. This past year, Inupiaq Studies embraced the value of Ijagiiñiq (Family and Kinship) by hosting two different summer camps, one for high school students and one for adults. The guides, instructors, experts, Elders, and guest speakers involved with the summer camps and academic classes were and are integral to our successes, and we are grateful for their input and kinship.

- In 2014-2015, we responded to student needs by scheduling more offerings of INU 257 (Traditional and Contemporary Skin Sewing), which is always a popular course.
- In summer 2015, we successfully hosted INU 195 (Niğiiaq [Geese] Hunting and Camping) for adults and INU 195 (Inupiaq Culture and Traditions) for high school students.
- During the summer 2015 camps, guides took the students 10 miles inland to camp on the tundra and hunt for geese.
- Traditional Knowledge is emphasized for all students involved in summer camps and Inupiaq Studies classes; we hope they will spread their knowledge in the community!
The Indigenous Early Learning Program is a relatively new program at Ilisaġvik College. It offers a certificate and Associate of the Arts degree to students who wish to study early childhood education from an Indigenous framework in the hopes of becoming teachers and/or aides. Students who graduate from the program have a strong basis in early childhood education, and are prepared to transfer to a four-year institution in order to earn a bachelor's degree.

Associated with our Indigenous Early Learning Program is the Uqautchim Uglua (Language Nest) Learning Center, which serves the community by offering pre-school care and Iñupiaq medium instruction for young children. Uqautchim Uglua also operates as a teacher training lab school and observation site for students enrolled in the Indigenous Early Learning Program. Uqautchim has been a great success since its inception, and is continuously at capacity.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- The Indigenous Early Learning Program hired a full-time faculty member, Kimberlee Brent.
- Uqautchim Uglua developed culture-based curriculum to provide an authentic learning environment and to nurture cultural identity in young students.
- Uqautchim Uglua hosted Uqapiaqta Events, which included Qitik practice for children and Qatignisi. The events were very popular with large attendance.
- Uqautchim Uglua staff conducted rewarding site visits at other early learning centers in Anchorage, Fairbanks, and Dallas, Texas.
The Allied Health Program offers certificates and Associate of Arts and Associate of Science degrees. Since its inception in 2008, the Program has seen significant growth. Allied Health is a multi-faceted program that places students into public health-related academic programs, while simultaneously conducting community outreach through partnership with Northwest Area Health Education Center (NW AHEC) to engage youth and adults in health career pathways. The Allied Health program awarded its first Associate of Science degree in the spring of 2013, and has since seen 6 additional Associate of Science degrees awarded, as well as two Associates of Arts degrees with an Emphasis in Human Services.

- In 2014-2015, the Program’s NW AHEC Coordinator traveled to six North Slope villages, and connected with 102 K-8th grade students, and 290 high school students.
- Allied Health’s Junior Public Health Educators program has trained 24 students since 2012.
- Allied Health’s Tobacco Taskforce marked its second year, and has made great strides towards a smoke/tobacco-free campus at Ilisagvik College.
- Allied Health continues to offer classes in medical coding, health management, nutrition, pharmacology, and more.

29 DECLARED MAJORS
The Distance Education Division at Ilisaġvik College works to create opportunities of higher learning for students in the North Slope villages and throughout Alaska through the use of distance delivery tools. Examples of such tools include teleconference courses (traditional courses taught with a call-in option); online courses taught through MyCampus, our online learning management system; and “C-Live” courses taught synchronously using Blackboard Collaborate web-conferencing.

This academic year we have been exploring alternative tools for synchronous distance delivery. In addition to C-Live, we have encouraged instructors to utilize other collaborative, web-based tools for connecting with their students in the villages including Google Apps for Education, Realtime Board, and similar HTML 5 supported online whiteboards.

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In the past year, Student Government was involved in social activities and outreach efforts on behalf of Ilisaqvik College. Comprised of student representatives elected by their peers, Student Government is a great reflection of the leadership qualities that many of Ilisaqvik’s students embody. It is also the official representative body of students for the College. Student Government welcomes participation from all students, whether they are full-time or part-time and residential or non-residential.

This year Student Government partnered with the Ilisaqvik Green Team and collected nearly 1,600 pounds of cans and number 1 and 2 plastic for the You “Can” Make a Difference can drive for Earth Day.
The Student Success Center (SSC) offers different avenues of support to facilitate student success. The Center coordinates and operates the Learning Resource Center (LRC), which is a free tutoring service and quiet study haven for students. It also provides transportation to students attending classes, maintains the gym, provides residential housing, hosts student activities, and coordinates academic services such as placement testing. Staff members within the Student Success Center provide individualized student assistance, advocacy, referral services, and academic assistance. This past year, the Student Success Center really focused on outreach, holding two events in Wainwright and Kaktovik, and it conducted social activities that students have come to love, such as the Annual Talent Show.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- SSC hosted outreach events in Wainwright and Kaktovik, which included a community bonfire, dodgeball tournament, meet and greet, and community dinner with door prizes.
- Student Orientation events occurred at the start of the fall and spring semesters to welcome students.
- The LRC continued to improve the services we offer to students. The student survey was taken into account in assessing the needs of our students. As most students come seeking math services, additional tutors were hired for mathematics.
This past year, Ilisaġvik College students participated in a variety of wonderful activities, including travel to conferences and events, outreach in our communities, and showcasing their creative talents. Ilisaġvik loves to see students getting involved with their education and communities in a variety of ways, especially since our students have so much to share with the world.

- In October 2014, Lavisa Ahvakana, Caroline Ekak, and Louie Kowunna attended the National Indian Education Association conference in Anchorage, AK.
- In October 2014, Pamela Balanza, Forrest Ahkviana, and Aqamak Okpik attended the Elders & Youth Conference in Anchorage, AK.
- In October 2014, Dorcas Maupin, Katrina Watson, and Nina Frankson attended the Society for Advancement of Chicanos and Native Americans in Sciences Conference in Los Angeles, CA.
- In February 2015, Malcolm Noble, Kelsey Evans, and Christopher Greist attended the AIHEC Winter Meeting in Washington, DC.
- In March 2015, Jaime Patkotak, Olive Kanayurak, and Matt Murray attended the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation conference in Albuquerque, NM.
- In Summer 2015, Brian Neely hosted Malcolm Noble and Karl Carl, in Roseburg, Oregon during the Carpentry Internship.

In 2014-2015, social events and activities included:
- Annual Talent Show
- Annual Haunted House (with Student Government)
- 3rd Annual Biggest Loser Contest
- Floats in the Piuraagiaqta parade
- A Community Dance with Annual Duct Tape Competition
- Community Laser Tag and Bounce Night at Piuraagvik.
The Seminar for the Start is a seminar course that helps promote student success in a student’s first year of college. It provides information, support, and details on college life so that students can successfully navigate their higher education experience. The class is offered in a traditional face-to-face classroom setting, as well as in a blended format to accommodate students who aren’t in Barrow. In 2014-2015, the First Year Seminar had 18 students who participated in the class. As a highlight of the course, the students took a four-wheeler trip down the coast to see the historical Hollywood site and Monument. Involved students, staff, and faculty had a great time, and trips like that are always a rewarding way to end the class.
Ilisaġvik College hosts several pre-college activities, from “I Know I Can” to College-Bound Day, to the Glimpse Program and its annual summer camps that cater to middle and high school students. Exposing elementary and secondary students to college life is a great way to start an early discussion about higher education, and introduce students to how fun it can be!

“I KNOW I CAN”  
(Target: 2nd Grade)

This program sparks student interest in goals and careers. Young students hear a children’s story focused on self-confidence and grown-up goals. Then the students draw an image on a postcard of themselves in the future depicting what career path they would like to follow. When the postcard is sent back to the children a year or two later, it reminds them of their dreams for the future! This year, the program was rolled out successfully in Atqasuk; recruitment staff members plan to bring it to every other village during future trips.

GLIMPSE  
(Target: 6th-8th Grade)

This program is designed to give middle school students a “Glimpse” of what college is all about. Each semester, Hopson Middle School Guidance Counselor recruits potential students to take part in the program. Every Thursday, the groups of students are transported from HMS to Ilisaġvik College via Ilisaġvik College Transportation Services. The students then take part in a 1 hour activity planned by one of the departments within the college. A list of example sessions includes:

- Health and Wellness
- Homework Tips
- Dormitory Life
- Communication
- Marketing
- Robotics
- Chemical Reactions
- Résumé
- Healthy Nutrition
- Engineering
COLLEGE BOUND DAY
(TARGET: 5TH GRADE)

81 PARTICIPANTS

This program occurs annually and provides 5th graders an opportunity to experience college for a day. All fifth grade students at Ipalook Elementary School participate, along with teachers and parent volunteers. The College departments prepare sessions and spend time with various groups of fifth graders. Students hear a speech from lisaqvik College President and “graduate” at the end of the day with a ceremony in which they receive a certificate and backpack of goodies.
Summer Camp programming provides an intensive format of career exploration, academic study, field experience, and education for students. Students from throughout the state of Alaska are encouraged to apply and past camps have had participants from local North Slope Borough villages, Mt. Edgecumbe High School, the Northwest Arctic, Y-K Delta, the Fairbanks area. The Student Success Center organizes the camps, houses students, orients staff and collects data for all Summer Camp programming. In 2014-2015, camps were held in Barrow and in the villages, including Nuiqsut, Kaktovik, Atqasuk, Anaktuvuk Pass, and Wainwright. Summer Camps continue to be very popular, and students report positive feedback and a desire to return year after year. Summer Camp programming exemplifies îlagniqluq by emphasizing friendship and kinship in an educational and fun environment.

SUMMER CAMP APPLICANTS BY LOCATION

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SUMMER CAMP ENROLLMENT

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<td>Total Number of North Slope Students</td>
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Target: 6th Grade – Incoming College Freshmen
Summer Camps offered in 2015

- Alaska Youth Academy (Public Safety) High School Camp
- Allied Health High School Camp
- Allied Health Middle School Camp
- Future Teachers for the Arctic High School Camp
- Future Teachers for the Arctic Middle School Camp
- Iñupiaq Land Values and Resources High School
- Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) High School Camp
- Nigliaq Hunting/Camping
- Methods in Molecular Biology High School Camp
- Photojournalism & Documentary High School Camp
- Theater & Drama Camp (Wainwright)
- Behavioral Health High School Camp

Cooperative Extension Summer Camps

- Circus Camp (NUI, KAK, ATQ, BRW)
- iCamp
- Healthy Future's Kid's Cooking Camp (NUI, KAK, AIN, AKP)
- Young Engineers

445 PARTICIPANTS
This past year, Vocational Education and Workforce Development merged to create the Department of Vocational Education and Workforce Development (VEWFD). This merger creates a synergy that reflects the needs of the community and VEWFD’s direct work with employers. Many of the same organizations that need HAZWOPER or Customer Service training also have construction projects that require carpenters, electricians, plumbers, truck drivers, and more. Vocational Education joins Workforce Development and Cooperative Extension under the department. VEWFD is a dynamic department that offers hundreds of trainings and classes each year, serving students and employers on the North Slope and beyond.

**TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS:**
- Doubled Industrial Safety endorsements
- Expanded CDL offering
- Introduced childcare classes
- All Workforce Development classes have a Co-Sponsor

**EMPLOYERS SERVED**
- Arctic Slope Regional Corporation
- City of Kaktovik
- City of Wainwright
- Hiland Correctional Facility
- Iñupiat Communities of the North Slope
- North Slope Borough
- North Slope Borough School District
- Northwest Arctic Borough
- Olgoonik Corporation
- Tikigaq Corporation
- Traditional Council of Wainwright
- Ukpeaġvik Iñupiat Corporation
- University of Alaska Anchorage

**STUDENTS** 1,775

**CLASSES** 254
The Ilisaġvik College Cooperative Extension program seeks to encourage an environment of life-long learning in the communities of the North Slope through a variety of non-classroom, hands-on workshops. The program is designed to identify educational needs and interests on the North Slope and address those needs by utilizing available local talent and expertise. Cooperative Extension seeks to foster a sustainable, successful, and effective outreach program for this constituency.

This year marked the first year of the Healthy Futures program. This program, supported by USDA Tribal Colleges and AmeriCorps VISTA grants, brings free family-oriented cooking, food budgeting, and nutrition workshops to all seven North Slope villages. Since starting in November 2014, Healthy Futures has held 9 workshops for 208 participants. The “Gather, Eat, Grow” theme behind the expanding Barrow Test Garden, Tundra Garden, and Tower Gardens complements healthy eating programming in the villages, with an emphasis on traditional, plant-based foods.

**WORKSHOP HIGHLIGHTS**

- Barrow Garden
  - Community Day
  - Harvest Festival
- Tundra Garden
- Container Gardening (ATQ)
- Cooking Camps (AKP, KAK, NUI, and WRT)
- Farmer’s Market Cooking Demo (ATQ)
- Village Kids in the Kitchen (ATQ, NUI, PTL)
- So You Want to Build a Greenhouse?
- ‘Store Outside Your Door’ film festival
- Traditional Plants Symposium
- Arctic Garden Presentation: New Teacher Orientation
- Traditional Plant focus groups

125 WORKSHOPS
2,555 ATTENDEES
Iñiṣaqvik’s literary journal, Aglaun, showcases student, staff, and North Slope community members’ literary and artistic works. Instituted in the fall of 2012, Aglaun has published three editions since its inception; the third edition came out in spring 2015 (with a fourth edition forthcoming in spring 2016). Interested readers can pick up a copy at Iñiṣaqvik College, or read online at [http://aglaun.org](http://aglaun.org).

Every spring, Aglaun also confers a Reader's Choice Award to its readers' favorite published piece. In spring 2015, the Reader's Choice Award went to Pamela Balanza for her insightful essay, “The Role of Women in the 19th and 20th Centuries.”

"...As seasonal gourds in hues of burnt orange flood the markets, and sales of cloves and cinnamon skyrocket in other places, I note the absence of sea birds and the return of the Arctic fox..."

—Excerpt from “Autumn Beneath Ursa Major,” by Maria Falvey
TUZZY CONSORTIUM LIBRARY CELEBRATED ITS 25TH ANNIVERSARY!

Festivities commenced in September, the first month the library was open in 1989. Friends of the Tuzzy Library held a well-attended dinner and reception in the library with noted Alaskan author, Dana Stabenow, as guest speaker.

Named for Evelyn Tuzroyluk Higbee from Pt. Hope, the Tuzzy Library’s first home was in Barrow’s Community Center next to the Bingo Hall. In 1998, the library moved into its present home in the Inupiat Heritage Center. It was renovated and expanded in 2012. So far nearly a million people have walked through its doors and over half a million items have circulated from its collection.

Tuzzy Library continues to serve as the academic library for Ilisagvik College as well as a public library for the entire North Slope, the largest library service area in the country. Branches in all seven of the other North Slope villages operate year-round. It is considered one of the best small libraries in the State of Alaska.
2015 GRADUATING CLASS

Ashley Abercrombie
Donald Acker
Olga Adams
Piquuraq Aguvluk
Linda Ahkiviana
Aleipata Aina
Alexander Aina
Donna Armey
Tamara Arnold
Kenneth Ascher
Shanda Barlow
Kristine Brown
Karl Carl
Brenda Cox
Stephanie Dickinson
Maria Drinkwine
Leif Edwardsen
Kelsey Evans
Tishaunda Flowers
Alexander Freeman
Nichole Gillen
Kiramarie Gray
Annett Hearn
Erin Hollingsworth
Eltron Ipalook
Kayla Johnson
Shana Jones
James Judkins
Patience Kelso
Erica Khan
Victor Koonaloak
Doria Lambrecht
Sondra Leavitt
Kaile Lewis
Jennifer Loving
Nica Lozano
Aldrich Mazonna
Cheyser Miller
Samantha Murdock
Matthew Murray

2015 GRADUATES

76 GRADUATES
125 DEGREES/CERTIFICATES
1 GED
Vincent Nageak
Cheryl Neakok
Christopher Neakok
Fredrick Neakok
Joseph Neakok
Tisha Negus
Nancy Ngeunhahak
Talore Nielsen
Malcolm Noble
Romelito Nobleza
Megan O'Connor
Kathryn Okakok
Jaime Patkotak
Angelica Pelia
Erica Perry
Terrella Petersen
Ashley Poole
Phyliss Reyes
Mysti Roberts-Moloney
Angelina Ruhlander
Myrna Sarren
Lindsey Scudder
Annie Shinault
Emma Shine
Danielle Simmonds
Bernice Slwooko
Denni Starr
Heather Takak
Kendra Tapia-Ruiz
Odessa Vincent
Vivian Washington
Bina Wasuli
Katrina Watson
Gunner Wheeldon
Randall Willoya
Michelle Angela Woodford

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SCHOLARSHIP SOURCES

AICF Full Circle
Alaska Commission on Postsecondary Education
American Indian College Fund
American Indian Service
Aqqaluk Trust
Arctic Education Foundation
Arctic Slope Native Association
Association of Village Council Presidents
Bering Straits Foundation
City of Barrow
Coastal Villages
Federal Pell Grant
Federal Supplemental Educational
Federal Work Study
Frank Feguson Foundation
Iñuġvik College Scholarship
Iñupiat Community of the Arctic Slope
Kaktovik Iñupiat Corporation
Kawerak, Inc.
Kuupikmuit Foundation
Maniilaq Association
Native Village of Barrow
Native Village of Point Hope
Norton Sound Economic Corporation
Norton Sound Health Corporation
Olgoonik Corporation
Olgoonik Development, LLC
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Tigara Educational Foundation
Ukpeaġvik Iñupiat Corporation Foundation
Unalakleet Native Corporation

American Indian College Fund
Student of the Year
MATTHEW MURRAY

Anheuser-Busch Tribal College Scholars Scholarship
AQAMAK OKPIK

Coca-Cola Foundation First Generation Scholarship
RANDALL WILLOYA

UPS Foundation Tribal College Scholarship
MATTHEW MURRAY

TOTAL AWARDED $547,524
AWARDED STUDENTS 148
AWARDED STUDENTS/ AVERAGE AWARD $3,694
1,666 Total Students (unduplicated)
700 Male 966 Female
56% Alaska Native/American Indian

869 (Credit) 797 (Non-Credit)
660 Students Enrolled in Distance Education Courses
138 Distance Education Classes Offered
### Non-Operating Revenue

Local appropriation from the NSB: 8,784,393

**TO SUPPORT:**
- Ilisagvik College
- Tuzzy Library
- Village library operations
- ABE/GED Center
- Village ABE/GED operations
- 25% Village liaisons’ salaries
- In-kind lease contribution from the NSB: 2,005,059

**Total NSB Contribution:** 10,789,452

- Grants and contracts: 115,473
- Private grants and gifts: 768,448
- PERS Contribution from State of Alaska: 764,263
- Miscellaneous Income (Loss): 36,912

**Other Non-Operating Revenue:** 1,685,096

### Operating Revenue

- Tuition and fees: 498,530
- Auxiliary enterprises (Dorms/Food/Bookstore): 654,526
- Grants and contracts: 3,749,232
- Other operating revenue: 55,241

**Total Operating Revenue:** 4,957,529

**TOTAL REVENUE:** 17,432,077

### FY14 EXPENSES

**Instruction:** 5,318,777
- **Institution:** 3,465,194
- **Auxiliary Enterprises:** 1,010,924
- **Academic Support:** 1,287,282
- **Operations and Maintenance:** 3,000,017
- **Student Services:** 1,521,036
- **Depreciation:** 272,733

**Total Operating Expenses:** 15,875,963

**Transfer to Ilisagvik College Foundation:** 400,000

**TOTAL EXPENSES:** 16,275,963

**Change in Net Position:** 1,156,114

**TOTAL EXPENSES + CHANGE IN NET POSITION:** 17,432,077
Bureau of Indian Affairs/BIA-BIE
Tribal College Fund

US Department of Education
TCCU / Title III - At Risk Student Force
TCCU / Title III - Expansion and Technology Upgrade
Alaska Native Education program – Uqautchim Uglua (UU) Language Nest Program

US Department of Interior /US Fish and Wildlife Service
North Slop Youth Engagement, Education, Employment, and Research Program and Opportunities

American Indian College Fund / W.K. Kellogg Foundation
Wakanyeja (Sacred Little Ones) - Early Childhood Initiative
Wakanyeja - Supplemental Innovation Grant

North Slope Borough – MOA
Addition to Tuzzy Library
Childcare Support – Uqautchim Uglua Program
Supervise and Support Students Conducting Science Research Project – Fish & Wildlife Program

Arctic Slope Native Association (ASNA)
Support for the Uqautchim Uglua (UU) Language Nest Program

North Slope Borough – Mayor’s Office
Allied Health Program Support

Alaska Dept. of Health & Human Services
Adult Basic Education/Tutors (Contract)

Alaska Dept. of Labor and Workforce Development
Adult Basic Education: Instruction

Alaska, Dept. of Commerce, Community and Economic Development (DCCED)
Ilisaġvik Workforce Development Programs
Ilisaġvik College Heavy Equipment Equipment for Workforce Development Programs

Alaska Dept. of labor and Workforce Development
Technical Vocational Education Program (TVEP) - Workforce Development Programs

University of Alaska Anchorage / US DHHS
Area Health Education Center (AHEC) – Allied Health Program
Technical, Vocational, and Education Program (TVEP) – Allied Health Program

US Institute of Museum and Library Services
Native American Library Services - Basic Library Operations

Alaska Dept. of Education & Early Development
Public Library Assistance Grant (Village Library Operation)
Iñupiaq Edge Part I

USDA-NIFA (National Institute of Food and Agriculture)
Tribal Colleges Endowment Program – Student Recruitment Extension Capacity Grant (Community Partnership: Extension Office Capacity Building Project)
Equity Grant (Science and Health Education Outreach)

USDA Rural Development
Campus Modernization Project Phase II – Student Services & Technology Enhancement
Campus Modernization Project Phase III – Fleet Update & Student Furnishing Replacement

Arctic Slope Community Foundation (ASCF)
Iñupiat Studies Summer Immersion Camp 2015

Autaaqtuq Fund – North Slope Borough Mayor’s Office
Graphic Arts Training

National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH)
Developing an Iñupiaq Language Database at Ilisaġvik College

Alaska Mental Health Trust Authority
Support Behavioral Health Camp 2015
For 20 years, Ilisaġvik College has empowered residents of Rural Alaska to achieve their goals in life. By providing an avenue for workers to get hired in Alaska, by providing valuable certifications and training, giving students a chance to complete their AA degrees before transferring to another school, and giving rural youth a safe environment to pursue their dreams, Ilisaġvik College has made the grade time and time again. Help us continue to serve our students and our community by making a donation today!

Ilisaġvik College is a certified 501c3 nonprofit organization, which means that charitable contributions are not only important for our survival, but also fully tax-deductible for both individuals and corporate donors. Every year, we count on public and private donations to supply approximately 5% of our budget.

**DONATIONS**

**FY 15 DONORS (July 2014–June 2015)**

Sustaining Contributor: The North Slope Borough

**CORPORATE DONORS**

Arctic Slope Native Association (ASNA)
North Slope Borough Mayor’s Office
Helen G. Hauben Foundation
Denakkanaaga Inc. Elderhostel Grant
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American Indian College Fund
Caelus Energy Alaska
Northrim Bank
ASRC
United Way of Anchorage
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VALIC
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Caelus Energy Alaska

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**ILISAġVIK COLLEGE FOUNDATION**

The Ilisaġvik College Foundation is a separate 501c3 nonprofit organization, which manages an endowment fund intended to provide long-term financial sustainability for Ilisaġvik College.

Gifts to the Foundation help grow the endowment, and will gain interest to support generations of students to come!
INSTITUTION

• **A new College campus**

Ilisaġvik College's Strategic Plan designates that Priority IV is working toward constructing a new College campus. The College Board of Trustees and Administration have been working with local North Slope entities to identify land in which a new campus could be built for the future of higher education on the North Slope.

EXTRA-CURRICULAR

• **Athletic Program**

Ilisaġvik College is currently researching the possibility of including a college-level men and women's basketball program. The Ilisaġvik community will be updated with more information as this program develops.

CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARD THE FUTURE

SUPPORT OUR IMMEDIATE NEEDS BY GIVING TO ILISAĞVIK COLLEGE

• Go to our website at www.ilisaqvik.edu/donate to make a donation online.
• Mail a check to us at P.O. Box 749, Barrow, AK 99723, ATTN: Institutional Advancement Office.

SUPPORT THE FUTURE OF ILISAĞVIK BY GIVING TO THE ILISAĞVIK COLLEGE FOUNDATION

• Alaskan residents can support the Foundation through the Pick.Click.Give. program every January–March while the application for the Permanent Fund Dividend (PFD) is open. Visit [www.pickclickgive.org](http://www.pickclickgive.org) for more information.
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The North Slope Higher Education Center is administered locally on an affiliated arrangement with the North Slope Borough established by ordinance the College Corporation, an independent, public, non-profit corporation by February 1986 and amended December 1988. The U.S. Navy operated the Naval Arctic Research Laboratory at Ilisagvik from 1947 to 1959, and its Inupiat studies programs are especially strong as the ever-expanding healthcare field. By the late 1980s, the College Corporation realized that the needs of the area’s future workforce far exceeded its ability to provide trained workforce whom will meet the essence of being Iñupiaq. Ilisagvik College pursues the following mission: Education embodies life. Ilisagvik College's mission statement is Education embodies life.条件教育, including the promotion and strengthening of Inupiat culture, values, and traditions. Ilisagvik's main campus serves students via on-site and distance learning resources to enable them to either prepare participants to enter the workforce or transfer to four-year institutions. The college educates the community and facilitates education throughout the North Slope, the true testament to Ilisagvik's mission.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Inuinnat Ukiut—Twenty Years.

This year marks the 20th year of Ilisagvik College and with that anniversary we have the opportunity to share in the accomplishments of our alumni and students, and our organization. One generation ago, we did not have higher education, and two generations ago, we did not have a locally controlled school system on the North Slope. Today, we not only have elementary and secondary schools, but we have our very own accredited community college that serves as Alaska’s only tribal college! In addition, our schools are locally controlled, supported by our Iñupiaq culture, values, traditions, and languages. AARIGAA! What an accomplishment to be proud of and celebrate!

This past year students graduated with 14 Associate Degrees, 28 certificates, and 83 endorsements. Over the past 20 years, Ilisagvik College has graduated 1,251 students: 172 Associate Degrees, 410 certificates, 212 endorsements, and 397 GEDs. These Ilisagvik College graduates are making a difference in their lives, the lives of their families, their communities, and the state of Alaska.

This year’s theme, Iqagiqñiq: Family and Kinship, supports our 20th Anniversary and the celebration of the success of our graduates and students, and the positive impact their education has made on their families. This is what Ilisagvik College is all about—Educating the leaders of today and the leaders of tomorrow. We can envision a brighter future for our families and for our communities with a culturally based education as an important foundation for our people. Please enjoy this year’s annual report. Each year Ilisagvik expands as an institution and provides more opportunities for growth to our students and our communities. Join me in congratulating the College on their 20th anniversary!

Pearl Kiyawn Brower, President

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A PLACE TO LEARN

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