MORE INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR ACADEMIC RECORD AND OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPT

With your enrollment as a Secondary Student you are building an academic record and official transcript at PWSC and there are some things students and parents should be aware of. This information applies to all types of enrollment by secondary students, and any pre-college programs where students earn PWSC credits:

When you apply for admission to colleges and universities you will want to send them a copy of your PWSC transcript. The courses you are taking may or may not be transferable to that institution depending upon their policies.

This transcript is the start of your permanent academic record at the university level. The grades you earn can impact many things in the future, such as:

- Admission to a college or university.
- Scholarships that include GPA as part of their criteria.
- Financial aid eligibility, under what’s known as Satisfactory Academic Progress. All colleges and universities are required to monitor academic progress as part of determining eligibility for financial aid.

Because you are building an important part of your academic record you will want to do your best in your classes – completing each one with your best effort. If you find you are struggling with attending class or completing the work, please speak with your instructor, someone within Student Affairs, or an advisor within your program to discuss options.

If you plan to continue your studies and earn a degree within the UA system, you should be especially aware of the Satisfactory Academic Progress policy. As required by law, the UAA Office of Student Financial Assistance monitors Satisfactory Academic Progress (SAP) for all degree-seeking students at PWSC. Should you become an admitted degree-seeking in the future you will fall under the UA SAP policy, and the courses you are taking now will be included in that monitoring. For your information – all University of Alaska campuses use the same SAP policy.

Meeting SAP at PWSC requires a minimum GPA, Completion Ratio, and progress towards completing a degree on-time. Students are required to finish and pass a minimum of 2/3 of the courses they take and have a minimum of a 2.0 cumulative GPA in the PWSC undergraduate courses they take. Furthermore, courses taken as a Secondary Student are included in a student’s progress toward their degree under the “150% rule,” which requires students to complete their degree by the time they’ve attempted 150% of the credits required for the degree.

For more information, visit: http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/financialaid/policies.cfm

Most Secondary Students do well in their classes and have a smooth transition into PWSC and other UA Campuses as degree-seeking students, however, if you are struggling in any way or have questions, please contact us at (907) 834-1600.