



FEA is necessary for improving the career outlook and opportunities for students in rural Alaska.

*Jennifer Romer, Fairbanks Teacher*

FEA is a statewide collaborative effort to inspire and support Alaska Native K-12 students to go into the education profession.

# our approach

Connect K-12 Students with Alaska Native Educators and Leaders

Encourage Student Interest in Higher Education

Provide Youth Leadership Opportunities

Promote Indigenous-Based Curriculum and Best Practices

The fostering of prospective Alaska Native teachers and administrators involves a partnership among teachers, communities, school districts, University of Alaska campuses and more. Funded by the U.S. Department of Education and the Alaska Native Education Program since 2003, Future Educators of Alaska (FEA) has

**The advantages of having a FEA program at your school are priceless. Parents are proud, students are inspired, and a culture of success is fostered through the club. FEA instills within students a desire to return to their own communities to teach.**

worked with eighteen partner and affiliate school districts and schools to establish over sixty FEA clubs across Alaska.

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# growing our own educators



# meeting the demand achieving success



★ Partner & Affiliates



Future Educators of Alaska (FEA) operates as a holistic support network comprised of K-12 students, onsite school advisors, district coordinators and statewide program staff. The web of connections extends to other valuable community partners including: the Alaska Native Education Association (ANEA), Preparing Indigenous Teachers & Administrators for Alaska Schools (PITAAS), Alaska Native Education Student Association (ANESA), the FEA Planning Group and FEA Advisory Committee, as well as the many communities that support and nurture FEA students.

**FEA clubs are active across the state of Alaska, and club members range from kindergartners to high school seniors. Most clubs meet weekly after school to participate in a variety of fun & interesting activities designed to support their interest in the education profession.**

## Who Does FEA Benefit?



**Students!** FEA provides Alaska Native K-12 students the opportunity to explore what a career in education might be like and to meet other students also interested in education.

**Teachers!** FEA offers teachers the opportunity to encourage students to explore and enter into the education profession by becoming a club advisor.

**Communities!** FEA helps communities “grow their own educators” by nurturing prospective Alaska Native teachers at the local level.

**Colleges!** FEA supports career development for Alaska Native college students and acts as a bridge for high school students who plan to enter college.

## What are Our Goals?



**Expand** FEA to five cultural regions across the state of Alaska.

**Integrate** FEA into the State Workforce Development System.

**Plan** and implement a college preparation and career exploration process that can be used at all University of Alaska campuses.

**Build** a statewide sustainability tracking system and provide support along the student pathway.