

Relocation Package

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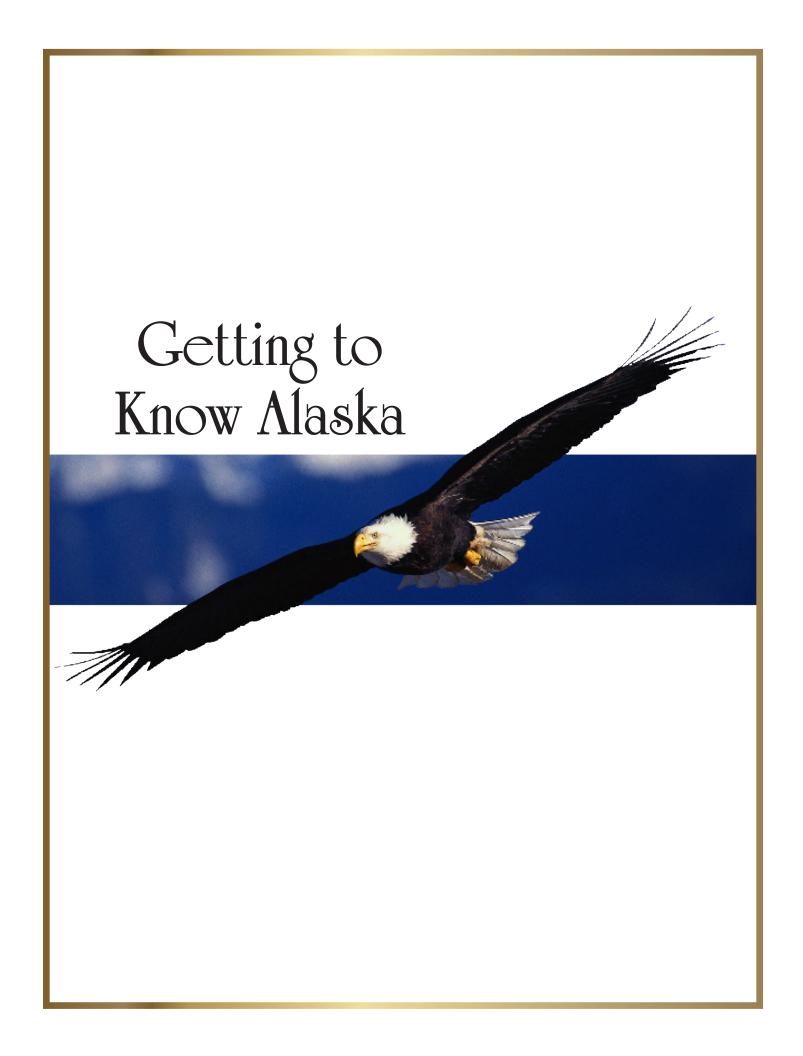


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Getting to Know Alaska











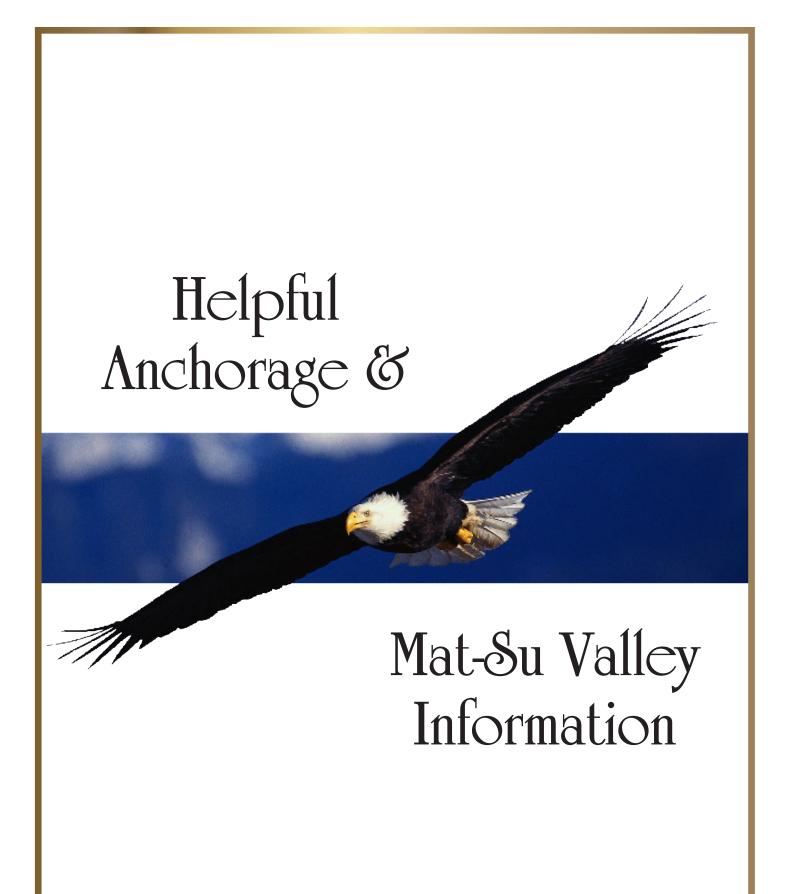




- The longest day in Alaska is June 21st.

 Some parts of Alaska get up to 24 hours of daylight
- The shortest day in Alaska is December 21st. Some parts of Alaska get up to 24 hours of complete darkness
- Alaska has 3 million lakes, 29 volcanoes, 33,000 miles of coastline and over 1/2 the world's Glaciers spanning over 586,400 Square Miles!
- State Motto: North to the future.
- State Flower: Forget-me-not.

- State Bird: Alaska Willow Ptarmigan (Lagopus lagopus alascensis Swarth)
- State Tree: Sitka spruce (picea sitchenensis)
- State Marine Mammal: Bowhead whale
- State Fish: King salmon
 (Oncorhynchus tshawytscha)
- State Sport: Dog Mushing
- State Gem: Jade
- State Mineral: Gold
- State Insect: Four spot skimmer dragonfly



Helpful Anchorage Phone Numbers

Board of Realtors Anchorage Board of Realtors Alaska MLS	907.561.2338 907.770.4800
Municipality of Anchorage Road Maintenance Water & Waste Water Utility	907.343.8340 907.564.2700
Anchorage Recreational Services Parks & Outdoor Recreation Indoor Recreation	907.269.8400 907.343.4135
Anchorage School District	907.742.4000
Anchorage Police Department Anchorage Fire Department	907.786.8500 907.267.4936
University of Alaska Anchorage	907.786.1800
Chamber of Commerce	907.272.2401
Business Licensing	907.269.8173
Post Office Main Branch	907.266.3259
Utilities Enstar Natural Gas Municipal Light & Power Chugach Electric Waste Management	907.277.5551 907.263.5340 907.563.7494 907.563.3717
Department of Motor Vehicles	907.269.5551
GCI (Phone, cable, internet)	907.265.5400
ACS Alaska Cellular Phone Service Internet	907.563.8000 907.561.5400
АТ&Т	907.336.3040
Verizon	907.349.1132

Helpful Anchorage Websites

Board of Realtors

Anchorage Board of Realtors

Alaska MLS

www.anchoragerealtors.com www.alaskarealestate.com

Municipality of Anchorage

General

www.ci.anchorage.ak.us

Anchorage Recreational Services

Parks & Outdoor Recreation

Indoor Recreation

www.muni.org/parks/

www.muni.org

Anchorage School District

www.asdk12.org

University of Alaska Anchorage

www.uaa.alaska.edu

Chamber of Commerce

Anchorage

www.anchoragechamber.org

Utilities

Enstar Natural Gas

Municipal Light & Power

Chugach Electric

www.enstarnaturalgas.com

www.mlandp.com

www.chugachelectric.com

Customs & Border Protection

www.cbp.gov

Department of Motor Vehicles

www.alaska.dmv.org

GCI

(phone, internet, cable)

www.gci.net

ACS Alaska

(Cellular phone service, internet)

www.acsalaska.com

AT&T

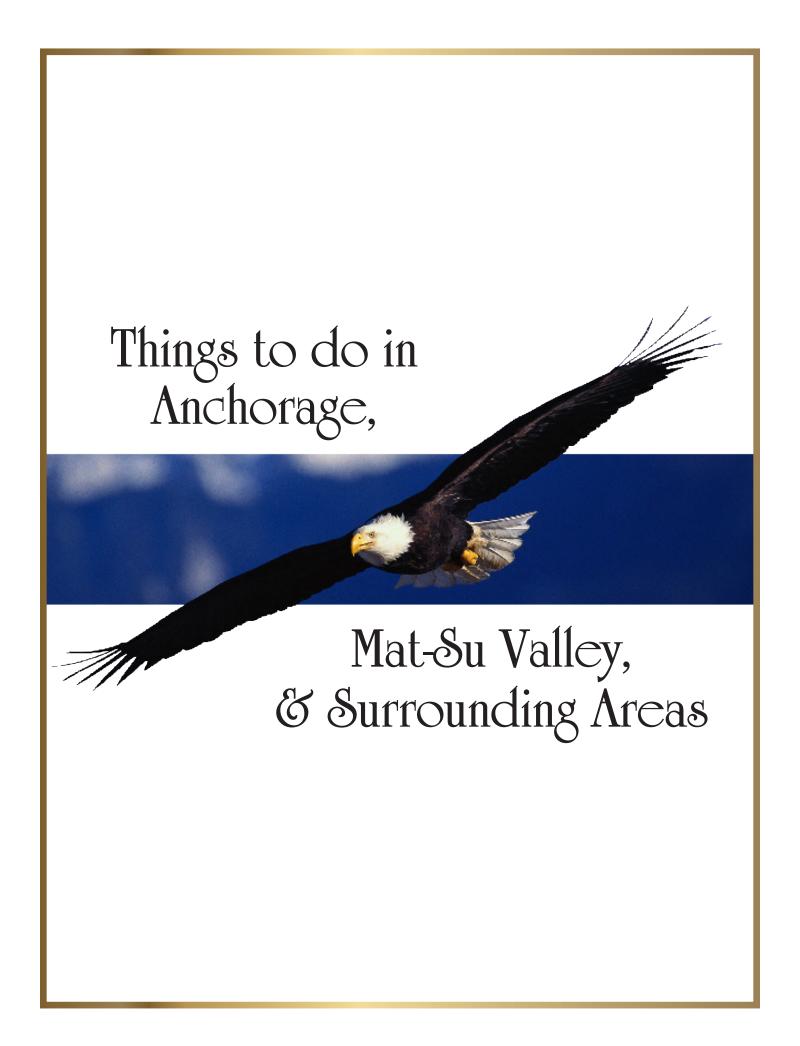
www.att.com

Verizon

www.verizonwireless.com

Helpful Valley Phone Numbers

Board of Realtors Valley Board of Realtors Alaska MLS	907.376.5080 907.376.5366
Mat-Su Borough Assessments Land & Resource Management Planning & Land Use Code Compliance Platting Public Works/Right of Way Road Maintenance	907.745.4800 907.745.9642 907.745.9869 907.745.9833 907.745.9853 907.745.9874 907.745.9806 907.745.9826
Mat-Su Borough Recreational Services Parks & Outdoor Recreation Brett Memorial Ice Arena	907.745.9600 907.745.9690 907.376.9260
Mat-Su School District	907.746.9200
Mat-Su College	907.745.9774
Chamber of Commerce Wasilla Palmer	907.376.1299 907.745.2880
Business Licensing Mat-Su Borough Wasilla Palmer	907.745.9632 907.376.9088 907.745.3271
Post Office Wasilla Palmer	907.376.5327 907.745.5051
Utilities Enstar Natural Gas Matanuska Electric Matanuska Telephone	907.376.7979 907.761.9300 907.745.3211



Things to do in Anchorage...

DOWNTOWN

• 4th Avenue Theatre

630 W. 4th Ave.

907.344.9000

• 49th State Brewing Co.

717 W. 3rd Ave.

907.277.7727

www.49statebrewing.com

• The Alaska Center for Performing Arts

621 W. 6th Ave.

907.263.2900

www.alaskapac.org

• Alaska Experience Center

705 W. 6th Ave.

907.276.3730

www.alaskaexperiencetheatre.com

• Alaska Glass Gallery

423 G. Street

907.279.4527

www.alaskaglassgallery.com

• Alaska Public Lands Information Center

605 W. 4th Ave.

907.271.2737

www.nps.gov/aplic

Anchorage Concert Association

430 W. 7th Ave.

877 278 7849

alaska.org/detail/anchorage-concert-association

• The Anchorage Convention & Vistiors Bureau

4th Ave. & F St.

907.276.4118

www.anchorage.net

Anchorage Museum of History & Art

121 W. 7th Ave.

907.343.4326

www.anchoragemuseum.org

Log Cabin Visitors Center

4th Ave. & F St.

907.274.3531

www.anchorage.net

Oscar Anderson House Museum

420 M St.

907.274.2336

Portage Glacier Boat Tour with Gray Line Alaska

745 W. 4th Ave

888-452-1737

www.graylineofalaska.comPortage

Snow City Cafe

1034 W. 4th Ave

907.272.2489

www.snowcitycafe.com

• Sullivan Arena

1600 Gambell St.

907.279.0618

www.sullivanarena.com

• Williwaw (multi-faceted gathering space)

601 F St.

907.868.2000

www.williwawsocial.com

Things to do in Anchorage...

AROUND TOWN

Alaska Airlines Center		
3550 Providence Dr.	907.786.7850	www.alaskaairlinescenter.com
 Alaska Aviation Heritage Museum 		
4721 Aircraft Dr.	907.248.5325	www.alaskaairmuseum.com
 Alaska Botanicle Garden 		
4601 Campbell Airship Road	907.770.3692	www.alaskabg.org
 Alaska Heritage Library & Museum 		
301 W. Northern Lights Blvd.	907.265.2834	
 Alaska Native Heritage Center 		
8800 Heritage Center Dr.	907.330.8000	www.alaskanative.net
Alaska Railroad Stop		
327 W. Ship Creek Avenue	907.265.2494	www.alaskarailroad.com
• Alaska Zoo		
4731 O'Malley Road	907.248.5325	www.alaskazoo.com
Anchorage Museum		
625 C. Street	907.929.9200	www.anchoragemuseum.org
Chester Creek Sports Complex		
1600 Gambell St.	907.566.1596	www.sullivanarena.com
• Earthquake Park		Marie Land
4306 W. Northern Lights Blvd.	907.276.4118	THE RESERVE AND THE PERSON NAMED IN
• Elmendorf State Hatchery		A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR
941 N. Reeve Blvd.	907.274.0065	the state of the s
H2Oasis Indoor Water Park	FEE	I Bolden
1520. O'Malley Road	907.522.4420	www.h2oasiswaterpark.com
Horse Trekking Alaska		
South Anchorage Locations	907.868.3728	www.horsetrekkinalaska.com
• Imaginarium Science Discovery Center		
625 C. Street	907.929.9200	www.imaginarium.org
• Trooper Museum		
245 W. 5th Avenue	907.279.5050	www.alaskatroopermuseum.com
• Z.J. Loussac Library		
3600 Denali St.	907.343.2975	http://lexicon.ci.anchorage.ak.us/



OUTSIDE OF ANCHORAGE

 Alaska Bird Observatory(Fairbanks) 			
418 Wedgewood Drive	907.451.7159	www.alaskabird.org	
Alaska Sea Life Center			
301 Railway Ave., Seward	800.224.2525	www.alaskasealife.org	
Big Game Alaska		4,000	
79 Seward Hwy, Portage Glacier	907.783.2025	www.farthernorth.com/biggamealaska/	
 Chena Dog Sled Adventures (Two Rive 	rs)		
and the second	907.488.5845	www.ptialaska.net	
• Denali/ Mt. McKinley			
Denali Nat'l Park & Preserve	907.683.2294	www.nps.gov/dena	
Eagle River Nature Center			
32750 Eagle River Road	907.694.2108	www.ernc.org	
Eldorado Goldmine (Fox)	Street Co.		
1.3 mile Elliott Highway	907.479.6673	www.eldoradogoldmine.com	
 Fairbanks Ice Museum 			
500 Second Avenue	888.655.4020	www.alaskavisitorscenter.com	
 Great Land River Tours(Fairbanks) 			
1020 Hoselton Road	907.452.8687	www.greatlandrivertours.com	
 Glow Putt Mini Golf(Fairbanks) 			
610 Cushman Street	907.374.4965	www.glowputtalaska.com	
• Independence Mine of State Historical Park(Wasilla)			
Mile .07 Bogard Road	907.745.9375	www.dnr.state.ak.us	
 Kanuti National Wildlife Refuge(Fairba 	nks)		
101 12th Avenue	877.220.1853	www.kanuti.fws.gov	
Museum Of Alaska Transport & Industry(Wasilla)			
3800 W. Museum Drive	907.376.1211	www.museumofalaska.org	
 Pioneer Park(Fairbanks) 			
2300 Airport Way	907.459.1087	www.co.fairbanks.ak.us	
Portage Glacier			
Begich, Boggs Vistor Center	907.783.2326	www.fs.fed.us/r10/chugach	
 Riverboat Discovery(Fairbanks) 			
1975 Discovery Drive	907.479.6673	http://riverboatdicovery.com	

Things to do in Mat-Su Valley,

Dorothy G. Page Museum & the Old Wasilla Town Site Historical Park Located in Downtown Wasilla

Hatcher Pass/ Independence Mine State Historical Park Mile 17 Hatcher Pass Rd off of Fishhook Rd.

Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race Headquarters Mile 2.2 Knik Goose Bay Rd

Knik Museum and Dog Mushers Hall of Fame Mile 14 Knik Goose Bay Rd

Matanuska-Susitna Convention & Vistors Bureau 907.746.5000

The Museum of Alaska Transportation & Industry 907.376.1211

Museum of Northern Adventure 907.733.3399

Palmer Tsunami Observatory 907.745.4212

Things to do in Mat.-Su Valley,

Berry Picking Hatchers Pass or ask Locals for their Favorite Picking Locale

Bird Watching or Waterfowl Hunting Susitna Flats State Game Refuge

Knik Glacier North East of Palmer

Knik Goose Bay Rd/ Point Mackenzie Rd 12 Miles West to Little Susitna River Public Use Facility.

Matanuska Glacier Mile 100-113 Glenn Hwy

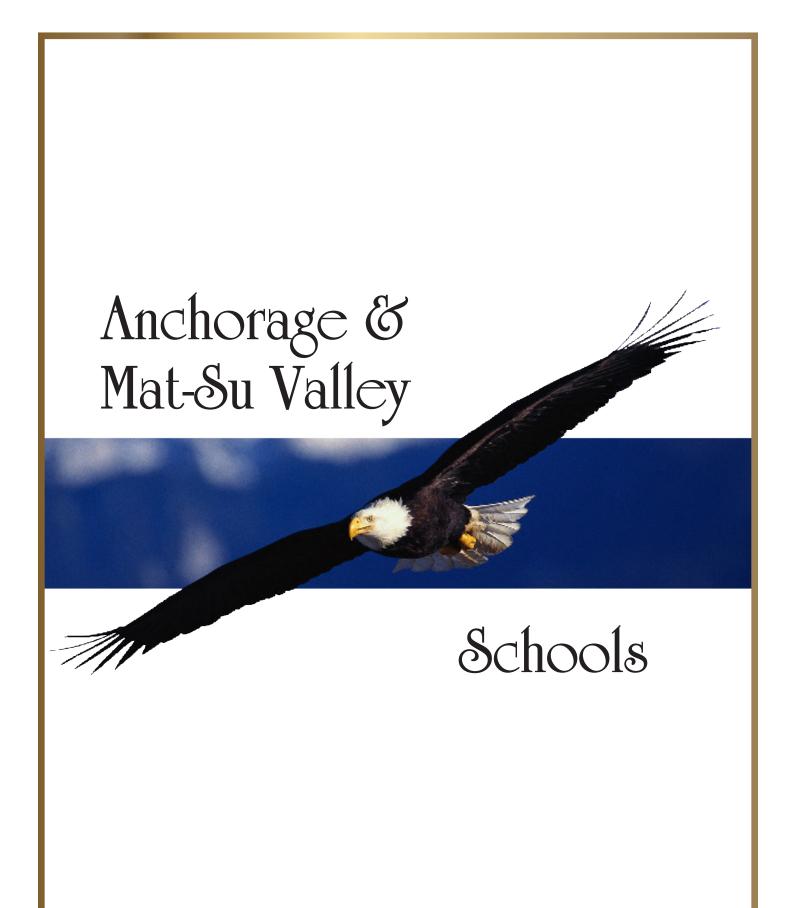
The Musk Ox Farm North of Palmer Mile 50 Glenn Hwy

The Reindeer Farm

Bodenburg Lp off of Old Glenn Hwy

Rockhounding
Rock Shop Frontier Imports
907.373.3094

Veterans Wall of Honor Mile 35.5 Parks Hwy



Choices in Education- Anchorage Area

School	Phone	Fax	Level
Abbott Loop Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5400	907-742-5411	Elementary
Airport Heights Elementary School, K-6	907-742-4550	907-742-4570	Elementary
Alpenglow Elementary School, K-6	907-742-3300	907-742-3348	Elementary
Aurora Elementary School, K-6	907-742-0300	907-742-0322	Elementary
Baxter Elementary School, K-6	907-742-1750	907-742-1777	Elementary
Bayshore Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5360	907-742-5399	Elementary
Bear Valley Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5900	907-742-5909	Elementary
Birchwood ABC Elementary School, K-6	907-742-3450	907-742-3495	Elementary
Bowman Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5600	907-742-5611	Elementary
Campbell Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5560	907-742-5575	Elementary
College Gate Elementary School, K-6	907-742-1500	907-742-1515	Elementary
Creekside Park Elementary School, K-5	907-742-1550	907-742-1577	Elementary
Denali Montessori School, K-6	907-742-4500	907-742-4520	Elementary
Eagle River Elementary School, K-6	907-742-3000	907-742-3020	Elementary
Fairview Elementary School, K-6	907-742-7600	907-742-7616	Elementary
Fire Lake Elementary School, K-5	907-742-3350	907-742-3366	Elementary
Gladys Wood Elementary School, K-6	907-742-6760	907-742-6779	Elementary
Government Hill Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5000	907-742-5015	Elementary
Homestead Elementary School, K-6	907-742-3550	907-742-3567	Elementary
Huffman Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5650	907-742-5660	Elementary
Inlet View Elementary School, K-6	907-742-7630	907-742-7650	Elementary
Kasuun Elementary School, K-6	907-349-9444	907-349-9402	Elementary
Kincaid Elementary School, K-6	907-245-5530	907-245-5535	Elementary
Klatt Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5750	907-742-5757	Elementary
Lake Hood Elementary School, K-6	907-245-5521	907-245-5528	Elementary
Lake Otis Elementary School, K-6	907-742-7400	907-742-7407	Elementary
Mount Spurr Elementary School, K-6	907-742-0200	907-742-0215	Elementary
Mountain View Elementary School, K-6	907-742-3900	907-742-3911	Elementary
Muldoon Elementary School, K-5	907-742-1460	907-742-1477	Elementary
North Star Elementary School, K-6	907-742-3800	907-742-3822	Elementary
Northwood ABC Elementary School, K-6	907-742-6800	907-742-6822	Elementary
Nunaka Valley Elementary School, K-6	907-742-0366	907-742-0393	Elementary
O'Malley Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5800	907-742-5822	Elementary
Ocean View Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5850	907-742-5885	Elementary
Orion Elementary School, K-6	907-742-0250	907-742-0265	Elementary

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School	Phone	Fax	Level
Ptarmigan Elementary School, K-6	907-742-0400	907-742-0425	Elementary
Rabbit Creek Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5700	907-742-5711	Elementary
Ravenwood Elementary School, K-6	907-742-3250	907-742-3260	Elementary
Rogers Park Elementary School, K-6	907-742-4800	907-742-4815	Elementary
Russian Jack Elementary School, K-6	907-742-1300	907-742-1341	Elementary
Sand Lake Elementary School, K-6	907-243-2161	907-243-6025	Elementary
Scenic Park Elementary School, K-5	907-742-1650	907-742-1677	Elementary
Spring Hill Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5450	907-742-5477	Elementary
Susitna Elementary School, K-5	907-742-1400	907-742-1418	Elementary
Taku Elementary School School, K-6	907-742-5940	907-742-5959	Elementary
Trailside Elementary School, K-6	907-742-5500	907-742-5511	Elementary
Tudor Elementary School, K-6	907-742-1050	907-742-1066	Elementary
Turnagain Elementary School, K-6	907-742-7200	907-742-7207	Elementary
Tyson Elementary School, K-6	907-742-8000	907-742-8008	Elementary
Ursa Major Elementary School, K-6	907-742-1600	907-742-1616	Elementary
Ursa Minor Elementary School, K-6	907-428-1311	907-428-1346	Elementary
Williwaw Elementary School, K-6	907-742-2000	907-742-2020	Elementary
Willow Crest Elementary School, K-6	907-742-1000	907-742-1044	Elementary
Wonder Park Elementary School, K-6	907-337-1569	907-337-2046	Elementary
Goldenview Middle School, 7-8	907-348-8626	907-742-8273	Middle
Gruening Middle School, 7-8	907-742-3600	907-742-3666	Middle
Hanshew Middle School, 7-8	907-349-1561	907-349-2835	Middle
Mears Middle School, 7-8	907-742-6400	907-742-6444	Middle
Mirror Lake Middle School, 6-8	907-742-3500	907-742-3545	Middle
Begich Middle School, 6-8	907-742-0500	907-742-0510	Middle
Central Middle School of Science, 7-8	907-742-5100	907-742-5125	Middle
Clark Middle School, 6-8	907-742-4700	907-742-4756	Middle
Romig Middle School, 7-8	907-742-5200	907-742-5252	Middle
Wendler Middle School, 7-8	907-742-7300	907-742-7307	Middle
Bartlett High School, 9-12	907-742-1800	907-742-1825	High
Chugiak High School, 9-12	907-742-3050	907-742-3148	High
Dimond High School, 9-12	907-742-7000	907-742-7007	High
Eagle River High School, 9-12	907-742-2700	907-742-2710	High
East High School, 9-12	907-742-2100	907-742-2134	High

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School	Phone	Fax	Level
Service High School, 9-12	907-742-8100	907-742-6615	High
South High School, 9-12	907-742-6200	907-742-6207	High
West High School, 9-12	907-742-2500	907-742-2525	High
ACE/ACT	907-742-8850	907-742-8888	Other
Alaska State School for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing	907-742-4243	907-742-4299	Other
AVAIL	907-742-4930	907-742-4933	Other
Benson Search	907-742-2050	907-742-2060	Other
Benson Secondary	907-742-2050	907-742-2060	Other
Booth Secondary	907-742-3888	907-742-3997	Other
Bragaw Residential Secondary	907-742-3888	907-742-3997	Other
COHO School	907-742-3028	907-742-3029	Other
Continuation School	907-742-1170	907-742-1174	Other
Crossroads School, 7-12	907-742-2424	907-742-2425	Other
DeBarr Residential Treatment Center	907-742-3888	907-742-3997	Other
Fireweed Secondary	907-742-3888	907-742-3997	Other
Girdwood K-8 School	907-742-5300	907-742-5320	Other
Jesse Lee	907-742-3888	907-742-3997	Other
King Career Center, 10-12	907-742-8900	907-742-8907	Other
Maplewood Elementary	907-742-3888	907-742-3997	Other
McKinley Heights	907-269-2238	907-742-3997	Other
McLaughlin School	907-742-1120	907-742-1151	Other
Mt. Iliamna	907-742-0100	907-742-0114	Other
North Star Hospital Secondary	907-742-3888	907-742-3997	Other
Northern Lights ABC Elementary School	907-742-7500	907-742-7530	Other
Polaris K-12	907-742-8700	907-742-8777	Other
Providence Girls	907-742-3888	907-742-3997	Other
Providence Heights Secondary	907-742-3888	907-742-3997	Other
SAVE High School	907-742-1250	907-742-1266	Other
Steller Secondary, 7-12	907-742-4950	907-742-4966	Other
Whaley Center	907-742-2350	907-742-2360	Other
Family Partnership Charter School, K-12	907-742-3700	907-742-3710	Charter
Frontier Charter School, K-12	907-742-1180	907-742-1188	Charter
Highland Tech Charter School, 7-12	907-742-1700	907-742-1711	Charter
Rilke Schule Charter School	907-742-7455		Charter
Aquarian Charter School, K-6	907-742-4900	907-742-4919	Charter
Eagle Academy Charter School, K-6	907-742-3025	907-742-3035	Charter
Winterberry Charter School, K-8	907-742-4980	907-742-4985	Charter



Burchell High School 1775 W. Parks Hwy Wasilla, Alaska 99654

http://www.bhs.matsuk12.us ph: 373-7775

ph: 373-7775 fax: 373-1430

Colony High School 9550 E. Colony Schools Drive

Palmer, AK 99645

http://www.chs.matsuk12.us ph: 861-5500 fax: 861-5509

Houston High School Mile 53, Parks Hwy Houston, Alaska 99694 http://www.hhs.matsuk12.us ph: 892-9400

fax:

Mat-Su Career and Technical High School 2472 North Seward Meridian Pkwy Wasilla, AK 99654

892-9460

http://www.cths.matsuk12.us ph: 352-0400 fax: 352-0480

MidValley High School (6-12) 244 South Sylvan Way, Unit 10 Meadow Lakes City Center Meadow Lakes, AK 99654 http://www.mvh.matsuk12.us ph: 373-1600 fax: 373-1667

Palmer High School 1170 W. Arctic Ave Palmer, Alaska 99645 http://www.phs.matsuk12.us ph: 746-8400

fax:

746-8481

Su Valley Jr/Sr High School Located at Su Valley Senior Ctr Helena Drive Talkeetna, AK http://svs.matsuk12.us

ph: 733-9300 fax: 733-9380

Valley Pathways
1150 North France Road
Palmer, Alaska 99645
http://www.vps.matsuk12.us
ph: 745-2158
fax: 745-1496

Wasilla High School
E. 701 Bogard Road
Wasilla, Alaska 99654
http://www.whs.matsuk12.us
ph: 352-8200

fax: 352-8280

Mat-su Valley Middle School Listings

Colony Middle School 9250 Colony Schools Drive Palmer, Alaska 99645

http://www.cms.matsuk12.us ph: 761-1500

fax: 761-1592

Houston Middle School 12801 W. Hawk Ln. Houston, Alaska 99694 http://www.hms.matsuk12.us

ph: 892-9500 fax: 892-9560

Palmer Jr. Middle School 1159 South Chugach Palmer, Alaska 99645 http://www.pjm.matsuk12.us ph: 761-4300

fax: 761-4372

Teeland Middle School 2788 N. Seward-Meridian Parkway Wasilla, Alaska 99654

http://www.tms.matsuk12.us ph: 352-7500

ph: 352-7500 fax: 352-7585

Wasilla Middle School 650 Bogard Road Wasilla, Alaska 99654 http://www.wms.matsuk12.us

ph: 352-5300 fax: 352-5380

Mat-su Valley Elementary School Listings

Big Lake Elementary 3808 South Big Lake Road Big Lake, Alaska 99652 http://www.ble.matsuk12.us ph: 892-6019 fax: 892-6208

Butte Elementary
4006 South Butte Road
Palmer, Alaska 99645
http://www.bte.matsuk12.us
ph: 745-4871
fax: 745-7720

Correspondence Study School (K-12)
600 E. Railroad Avenue, Suite
#6
Wasilla, Alaska 99654
http://www.css.matsuk12.us
ph: 373-3570
fax: 373-3573

Cottonwood Creek Elementary 800 N. Seward Meridian Pky. Wasilla, Alaska 99654 http://www.cwe.matsuk12.us ph: 376-7577 fax: 376-9194

Finger Lake Elementary
5981 Eek Street
Wasilla, Alaska 99654
http://www.fle.matsuk12.us
ph: 373-3242
fax: 373-3649

Glacier View (K-12) 29170 W. Glenn Highway Sutton, AK 99674 http://www.gvs.matsuk12.us ph: 745-5122 fax: 746-5560

Goose Bay Elementary
(Grades K-2)
6400 W. Hollywood Rd.
Wasilla, AK 99654
http://www.gbe.matsuk12.us
ph: 352-6400
fax: 352-6480

Iditarod Elementary
801 N. Wasilla Fishhook Road
Wasilla, AK 99687
http://www.ide.matsuk12.us
ph: 352-9100
fax: 352-9180

John Shaw Elementary 3750 E. Paradise Lane Wasilla, AK 99654 http://www.jse.matsuk12.us ph: 352-0500 fax: 352-0580

Knik Elementary (Grades 3-5) 6350 West Hollywood Wasilla, AK 99654 http://www.kne.matsuk12.us/ph: 352-0300 fax: 352-0380

Larson Elementary
2722 E. Seldon Road
Wasilla, Alaska 99654
http://www.lre.matsuk12.us
ph: 352-2300
fax: 352-2345

Meadow Lakes Elementary 1741 N. Pittman Road Wasilla, Alaska 99654 http://www.mle.matsuk12.us ph: 352-6100 fax: 352-6147

Pioneer Peak Elementary 1959 North Trunk Road Palmer, AK 99645 http://www.ppe.matsuk12.us ph: 745-0157 fax: 745-6113

Sherrod Elementary
561 N. Gulkana
Palmer, Alaska 99645
http://www.she.matsuk12.us/
ph: 761-4100
fax: 761-4180

Snowshoe Elementary
2001 W. Fairview Loop Road
Wasilla, Alaska 99654
http://www.sse.matsuk12.us
ph: 352-9500
fax: 352-9560

Elementary School Listings Continued ...

Sutton Elementary 11672 N. Wright Way Sutton, Alaska 99674 http://www.ste.matsuk12.us

ph: 745-6150 fax: 745-8425

Swanson Elementary 609 N. Gulkana St. Palmer, Alaska 99645 http://www.swe.matsuk12.us

ph: 745-3227 fax: 745-1021

Talkeetna Elementary
13798 E. Veterans Wy.
Talkeetna, Alaska 99676
http://www.tke.matsuk12.us
ph: 733-2252
fax: 733-1366

Tanaina Elementary 2550 Lucille Street Wasilla, Alaska 99654 ph: 352-9400

fax: 352-9481

Trapper Creek Elementary 6742 E. Petersville Road Trapper Creek, Alaska 99683

ph: 733-2298 fax: 733-1370

Willow Elementary 31706 W. Parks Highway Willow, Alaska 99688

ph: 495-6236 fax: 495-6336

Charley Schools Listings,

Midnight Sun 7275 W. Midnight Sun Circle

Wasilla, AK 99654

http://www.mnc.matsuk12.us

ph: 357-6786 fax: 373-6786

The Academy 801 East Arctic

Palmer, Alaska 99645

http://www.acc.matsuk12.us

ph: 746-2358 fax: 746-2368

Twindly Bridge Charter School 141 E. Seldon Rd Suite "C"

Wasilla, Alaska 99654

http://www.twindlybridge.us/Home.html

ph: 376-6680 fax: 376-6683

Other Schools Listings

Mat-Su Day School 3901 E. Bogard Road Wasilla, AK 99654

ph: 376-0459 fax: 376-0493



Schools-Within-A-School

Bartlett High School, Humanities Interdisciplinary Program

The Humanities Interdisciplinary Program (HIP) is a school-within-a-school program for students in grades 10-12 at Bartlett High School that focuses on language arts and social studies. HIP teachers present content material in quarterly themes. During each theme, students do hands-on projects, group activities, presentations and workshops that apply the content material in a relevant, integrated format. A consistent Paedeia seminar component is also integrated into each quarter's theme. During the second and fourth quarter, several in-depth creative workshops are offered, and each student chooses one to focus on for a significant period of time.

Bartlett High School, Humanities Interdisciplinary Program 907-742-1820

Chugiak High School, World Discovery Seminar

Please contact the school for more information about this program.

Chugiak High School, World Discovery Seminar 907-742-3050

East High School, Elitnaurvik

Elitnaurvik is a school-within-a-school program at East High School specifically designed for Alaska Native and American Indian students. Elitnaurvik in Yupik means "a place to learn." The program helps Native students adjust to the large Anchorage schools. The primary emphasis is basic skills with a secondary emphasis of improving attendance, cultural identification and family outreach. Elitnaurvik provides culturally based education, required courses with a Native emphasis, and Native-based PE and after-school activities Elitnaurvik students take classes both in Elitnaurvik and the standard East High School program.

East High School, Elitnaurvik-Within-East 907-742-2172

East High School, School-Within-a-School

East High's School-Within-a-School emphasizes student responsibility and productivity. Students are expected to develop self-reliance, to cultivate intellectual curiosity and to seek academic challenge. Students earn credit in a number of ways, including traditional class work, independent studies and small group research.

East High School, School-Within-a-School907-742-2172

Service High School, The Seminar School

The Seminar School is a school-within-a-school program at Service High that is founded on the principles of Socratic questioning and the examination of great works of writing. TSS teaches appreciation for the learning process itself, as well as for the content material being studied. The faculty stresses critical thinking skills such as comprehensive reading, questioning strategies, analysis of ideas and reasoning, and the synthesis of understanding that comes from meaningful writing exercises. Individual students take responsibility for their learning while maintaining a sense of community and a shared commitment to a positive learning environment.

Service High School, The Seminar School (Service students only) 907-742-8100

West High School, International Baccalaureate

The International Baccalaureate is a rigorous, international k-12 curriculum. There are almost 1300 schools in 115 countries authorized to offer IB programmes, of which there are three: the Diploma Programme for high schools, the Middle Years Programme for students aged 11 to 16, and the Primary Years Programme for students aged 3 to 12. While they form a continuous sequence, each may be offered independently. IB's Diploma Programme at West High is a two year, integrated set of academic courses designed for 11th and 12th graders.

West High School, International Baccalaureate 907-742-2500

West High School, Kanakngaq

Kanakngaq is a school-within-a-school program at West High School specifically designed for Alaska Native and American Indian students. Kanakngaq in Inupiaq means "west wind." The program emphasizes Native heritage and aims to reduce the drop-out rate and promote the development of positive self-esteem by integrating Native culture and values in academic classes, PE and after-school activities.

West High School, Kanakngaq 907-742-2500

West High School, School Through the Arts

School Through the Arts is a school-within-a-school program at West High School. It is an academic program infused with a firm foundation in the arts, including visual arts, drama, dance, music and other artistic avenues. STTA exposes students to a variety of arts experiences by brining visiting artists to the classroom, scheduling artist-in-residence programs, and arranging field trips to plays and other community events.

West High School, Through the Arts 907-742-2500

Steller Secondary School

Steller is an individualized, self-paced education program that maintains an informal and non-competitive environment. About 300 middle and high school students from throughout the district are enrolled in the school. Students learn the basics and skills to develop self-directed learning such as research, self-assessment, leadership, decision making and effective use of community resources. Independent study is welcome.

Steller Secondary School 907-742-4950

World Language Immersion Program

"Immersion" differs from traditional instructional approaches in which foreign languages are taught as separate subjects. In this program children are "immersed" in the language for half of the school day. English-speaking children learn to understand, speak, read and write the target language by hearing and using it constantly during normal classroom activities. Care is taken to ease students into the new language and to ensure comprehension. Progress and performance are carefully measured. The Anchorage School District has immersion programs in three languages: Japanese, Spanish and Russian. Contact the individual school for more information about the program or the World Language Coordinator, Janice Gullickson at 907-742-4848 or gullickson janice@asdk12.org.

Japanese - Students in grades K-6 are immersed in Japanese for half the school day at Sand Lake Elementary. They learn Japanese culture and are taught math, science, social studies and health in Japanese. Students who are native speakers or who are continuing from Sand Lake to Mears Middle School and Dimond High School continue in the immersion program through the 12th grade. Sand Lake also houses a K-6 neighborhood program.

Sand Lake Elementary School 907-243-2161 Mears Middle School 907-349-3332 Dimond High School 907-742-7000

Spanish - There are two elementary Spanish partial immersion programs located at Chugiak Elementary School and Government Hill Elementary School.

Chugiak Elementary School

Students in grades K-5 are immersed in Spanish half of the school day. Math, social studies, science and health are taught in Spanish. Students who are native speakers or who are continuing from Chugiak Elementary to Mirror Lake Middle School and Chugiak High receive some content area instruction in Spanish. Chugiak Elementary also houses a neighborhood K-5 program.

Chugiak Elementary School 907-742-3400 Mirror Lake Middle School 907-742-3500 Chugiak High School 907-742-3050

Government Hill Elementary School

Students in grades K-6 may enroll in a two-way bilingual/ Spanish immersion program. In the two-way model, 50 percent of the students in each classroom are native Spanish speakers and the other 50 percent are English speakers desiring to learn Spanish. Students who are native speakers or who are continuing on from Government Hill to Romig Middle School and West High can continue in the Spanish immersion program. Government Hill also houses a neighborhood K-6 program.

Government Hill Elementary School 907-742-5000

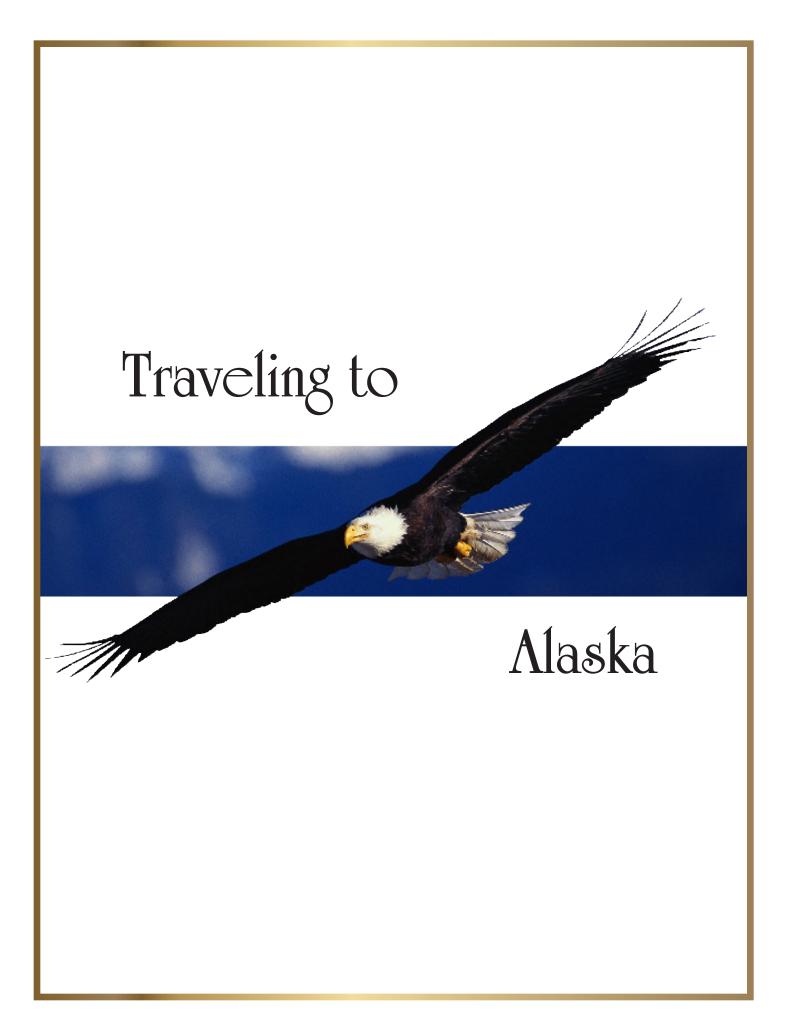
Romig Middle School 907-742-5200

West High School 907-742-2500

Russian - Students in grades K-1 are immersed in Russian for half of their school day; they learn Russian culture and are taught math, science, social studies and language arts in Russian. Students become functionally proficient in speaking, reading and writing both English and Russian. Russian-speaking students are also encouraged to enroll in the program.

Turnagain Elementary School 907-742-7200





Traveling to Alaska

By plane

Anchorage itself, and to a lesser extent Fairbanks, are serviced by most major airlines. Ketchikan, Wrangell, Petersburg, and Juneau are also served by daily jet service through Alaska Airlines flights originating in Seattle and terminating in Anchorage. Other communities within the state are served by an extensive system of regional and local air services connecting to Anchorage, Fairbanks, Juneau, and Ketchikan, the state's four largest urban areas.

By car

Alaska is connected to the contiguous U.S. (known in Alaska as the "Lower 48") through Canada via the Alaska Highway. The highway is paved and maintained year-round. Sometimes it's a little too maintained, creating a uniquely Alaskan and Canadian situation: at any given time in the summer, you're bound to hit at least several dozen miles of road construction. Since the roads in construction zones usually have only one working lane, the construction companies operate "pilot cars" (usually pick-up trucks with yellow rotating beacons and large signs that say "Follow me"). They drive back and forth between the two ends of the construction zone and lead the vehicles safely to the other end. Depending on the length of the construction zone, the wait can be anywhere from 10 minutes to several hours. Since there's only one main road, you can't really drive around the construction.

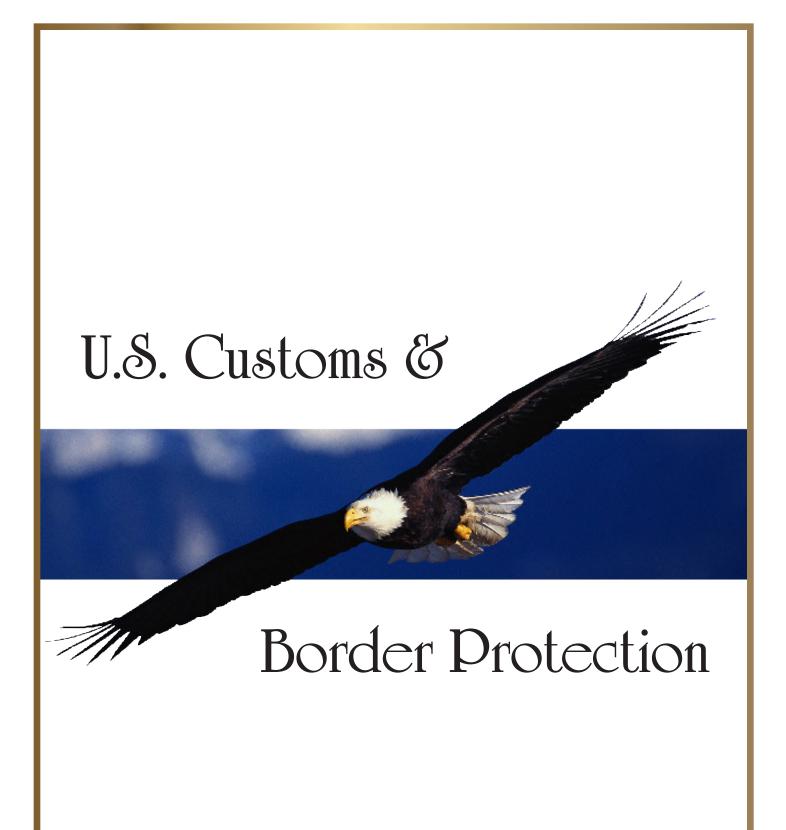
*If an immigration issue prevents you from entering Canada, you may not enter Alaska by car from the contiguous US. Note that Canadian customs regulations state that Canadian residents may not rent a vehicle in the United States (including Alaska) and drive it into Canada.

By boat

The Alaska Marine Highway System operates a ferry service from Bellingham, Washington up the beautiful Inside Passage to Haines. Plan your travel early as this service tends to fill up fast. A connecting ferry can take you to Whittier (although this service is much less frequent--suggest you call for details) from which the Alaska Railroad connects to Anchorage. Some private companies operate shuttle vans between Whittier and Anchorage as well, and the combination rail/highway tunnel allows road traffic in alternating directions every half hour.

By bus

Greyhound Canada provides service to Whitehorse, YT from points in Canada. The Alaska Direct Bus Line provides service from Whitehorse to Anchorage, Fairbanks and Dawson City.



U.S. Customs & Border Protection Infomation

U.S. Land Border Crossing Updated Procedures as of January 31, 2008

U.S. citizens ages 19 and older must present documentation that proves both identity and citizenship. Identification documents must include a photo, name and date of birth.

Children ages 18 and under will only be required to present proof of citizenship, such as a birth certificate.

Beginning January 31, 2008 the Department of Homeland Security is:

Ending oral declarations at the border, except in extraordinary situations

Accepting a list of about two dozen types of documents at the border instead of the over 8,000 documents currently being accepted

Ending Oral Declarations of Citizenship at Land Border Ports of Entry

U.S. Customs and Border Protection must end the practice of allowing certain travelers to rely on oral declarations alone when entering the country. CBP must make it difficult each and every time for those who want to illegally enter the United States, by falsely claiming to be a U. S. or Canadian citizen when, in fact, they are not.

New Document Procedures

New document procedures eliminate the use of insecure, paper identity documents such as social security cards, voter registration cards, certain health cards, and baptismal documents, as the requirement now calls for all identification documents to include a photo, name, and date of birth.

Reducing the Types of Acceptable Documents for Entering the United States

It is critical that all individuals seeking to enter the United States become acclimated to presenting documents to U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers. Single documents proving both identity and citizenship, which are acceptable on January 31, 2008, will also likely be acceptable when the Western Hemisphere Travel Initiative is implemented.

"U.S. Customs and Border Protection faces a much greater challenge to identify and screen individuals at land ports of entry, in part because of the lack of advance traveler information and the high volume of traffic at many locations. Unlike travelers who enter the country at airports, travelers entering through land ports of entry can arrive at virtually any time and may present thousands of different forms of documentation, ranging from oral declarations of U.S. or Canadian citizenship, driver's licenses, birth certificates, passports, visas, permanent resident cards, or U.S. military identity cards." from Border Security Report, November 2007 Government Accountability Office

Single Document Option Proving Identity and Citizenship

A single document option exists for U. S. and Canadian citizens to prove both identity and citizenship – a single-document option is encouraged now and in the future for frequent land border crossers to expedite processing.

Two Document Option

Those travelers who do not have one of the single-document options must present both an identification document and a citizenship document. This dual document presentation gives U.S. Customs and Border Protection greater confidence in the traveler's claim to identity and citizenship.

Note: Presenting Insufficient Documentation - Travelers who do not have the appropriate documents may be delayed while Customs and Border Protection officers attempt to verify their citizenship and identity. They will also be given an informational sheet explaining the new procedures. The intent of this transition is to raise awareness of the change, educate travelers, and allow ample time for travelers to obtain the necessary documents.