

What's This All About?

What are student performance standards?

- Statements of what students should know, be able to do, or be committed to as a result of their schooling.

Why do schools need them?

- Standards will give students and teachers a clear and challenging target.
- Standards will help focus energies and resources on the bottom line: student achievement.
- Standards will give all of us a tool for judging how well our students are learning and how well our schools are performing.

What's Alaska 2000?

- A State Board of Education project to make Alaska students among the best in the world.

What should you do?

- Read the proposed standards in this publication.
- Express your opinions to the Board by filling out the short survey form on the back page.
- Testify at one of the many hearings scheduled around the state.
- Talk to your friends and encourage them to comment, too.