

# Win for Life

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East Anchorage Thunderbirds vs. the West Anchorage Eagles  
ASAA First National Bowl Series Semi-final Game

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## Why Attend High School Activities?

*Billy Strickland, Executive Director*

Pep rallies. Friday night lights. Running trails. Swimming pools. Courts. The new school year is here! And that's exciting news for student-participants and high school sports fans alike. Research shows that being a student-athlete is about a lot more than fun and games. It also teaches important life lessons. In fact, high school athletes not only have higher grade point averages and fewer school absences than non-athletes, they also develop the kind of work habits and self-discipline skills that help them become more responsible and productive community members. Attending high school activities teaches important life lessons, too. Among them, it teaches that we can live in different communities, come from different backgrounds, faiths and cultures, cheer for different teams, and still have a common bond.

That's why attending the activities hosted by your high school this fall is so important. It's not only an opportunity to cheer for your hometown team, it is also an opportunity to celebrate our commonality. And that's something our country needs right now. The bond we share is mutually supporting the teenagers in our respective communities. We applaud their persistence, tenacity, preparation and hard work, regardless of the color of the uniform they wear. We acknowledge that education-based, high school activities are enhancing their lives, and ours, in ways that few other events could. And we agree that, regardless of what side of the field we sit on, attending a high school sporting event is an uplifting, enriching, family-friendly experience for all of us.

Many of the high schools in our state lie at the heart of the communities they serve. They not only are educating our next generation of leaders, they also are a place where we congregate, where people from every corner of town and all walks of life come together as one. And at no time is this unity more evident than during a high school athletic event.

This is the beginning of a new school year. Opportunities abound in the classroom and outside it. Let's make the most of them by attending as many athletic events at the high school in our community as possible.

**Turn on the lights, and let the games begin!**

## Upcoming Events



**ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA  
XC RUNNING STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
September 30, 2017  
Bartlett High School Trails, Anchorage  
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**ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA  
TENNIS STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
October 6-7, 2017  
Alaska Club East, Anchorage  
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## Announcing Our Newest Bronze Level Sponsor

*Doug Stewart, Director of Marketing & Development*

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## ASAA365 Website & Mobile App

*Isaiah Vreeman, Associate Director*

ASAA365 is Alaska's Home for High School Sports! ASAA365.com and the ASAA365 Mobile App are great ways to stay connected throughout the year to high school team sports in Alaska. You can access regular season game schedules, player rosters, results, original stories, and much more.

The 2017-18 Seasons have been created in ASAA365.com for all sports. Flag Football and Coed Soccer have been added to the site for coaches and schools to utilize.

Check out the [ASAA365 website](#) or download the mobile app on Apple App Store or Google Play then follow your favorite teams so you don't miss a thing!



## 2017 AASG Fall Conference

*Denise Greene-Wilkinson, AASG Executive Director*

The Alaska Association of Student Governments is excited to announce that Mat-Su Career and Technical High School in Wasilla has volunteered to host our 2017 AASG Fall Conference. The conference will be held October 26-28, 2017 at the school.

Mat-Su Career Tech hosted a very successful Fall conference in 2014 - "Operation Ascension." With a rich history of student leaders serving on the AASG executive board, and four current board members, Mat-Su Career Tech is expected to host a dynamic and richly rewarding conference. Visit [AASG.org](#) for more information.

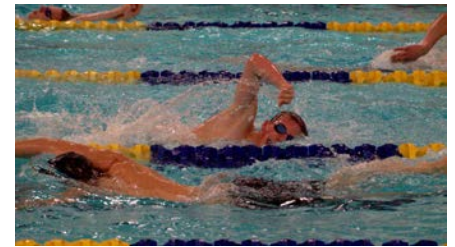


## Upcoming Events



### ASAA FIRST NATIONAL BOWL SERIES FOOTBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

October 7-20, 2017  
Palmer High School & AFS  
[More Information](#)



### ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA SWIM & DIVE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

November 3-4, 2017  
Bartlett Pool, Anchorage  
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### ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA VOLLEYBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

November 9-11, 2017  
West Anchorage High School  
[More Information](#)



## 2017 ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA SOCCER STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS



### GIRLS SOCCER RESULTS

#### AWARDS

Champion	Dimond
Runner-up	South Anchorage
Sportsmanship Award	West Valley
Academic Award	Dimond

Sportsmanship Award presented by AT&T  
Academic Award presented by Princess Cruises

#### ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Abbie Osgood	South
Alexis Friesen	Wasilla
Allison Shafer	Dimond
Dru Keizer	Dimond
Gabriel Wakaliuk	Colony
Isabella Roberts	West
Jordan Foraker	South
Kelsey Eagle	Dimond
Kiara Melendez	West
Kiara Simpson	West Valley
Madeleine LaPorte	Dimond
Malia Miller	Juneau-Douglas
Michaela Bentley	Juneau-Douglas
Natalia Cole	South

### BOYS SOCCER RESULTS

#### AWARDS

Champion	South Anchorage
Runner-up	West Valley
Sportsmanship Award	Juneau-Douglas
Academic Award	Homer

Sportsmanship Award presented by AT&T  
Academic Award presented by Princess Cruises

#### ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Andrew DePaepe	South
Ben Undurraga	Juneau-Douglas
Bubacar Touray	West
Derek Stone	Dimond
Drew Rizk	West Valley
Jacob Luhrs	West Valley
Juan Ponce de Leon	South
Mason Keffalos	South
Max Dye	Kenai
Michael White	Juneau-Douglas
Talon Stanley	South
Veton Redzeqi	West
Zack Tuttle	Kenai
Zack Woods	West Valley

### 2017 ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA TRACK & FIELD STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS



**Homer High School**

2017 123A Girls Track & Field State Champions



**Anchorage Christian School**

2017 123A Boys Track & Field State Champions

### GIRLS TRACK & FIELD RESULTS

#### AWARDS

##### 123A GIRLS

Champion	Homer
Runner-up	Sitka
Sportsmanship Award	Sitka
Academic Award	Delta Junction
Outstanding Competitor	Izabelle Ith, Petersburg

##### 4A GIRLS

Champion	Chugiak
Runner-up	West Valley
Sportsmanship Award	Chugiak
Academic Award	South Anchorage
Outstanding Competitor	Ariana Davis, Chugiak

Sportsmanship Award presented by AT&T  
Academic Award presented by Princess Cruises

### BOYS TRACK & FIELD RESULTS

#### AWARDS

##### 123A BOYS

Champion	Anchorage Christian
Runner-up	Grace Christian
Sportsmanship Award	Nikiski
Academic Award	Grace Christian
Outstanding Competitor	Frederick Onochie, ACS

##### 4A BOYS

Champion	West Valley
Runner-up	Kodiak
Sportsmanship Award:	West Valley
Academic Award:	Eagle River
Outstanding Competitor:	Brandon Nicholson Colony

Sportsmanship Award presented by AT&T  
Academic Award presented by Princess Cruises



**Chugiak High School**

2017 4A Girls Track & Field State Champions



**West Valley High School**

2017 4A Boys Track & Field State Champions



### 2017 ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA SOLO & ENSEMBLE MUSIC FESTIVAL



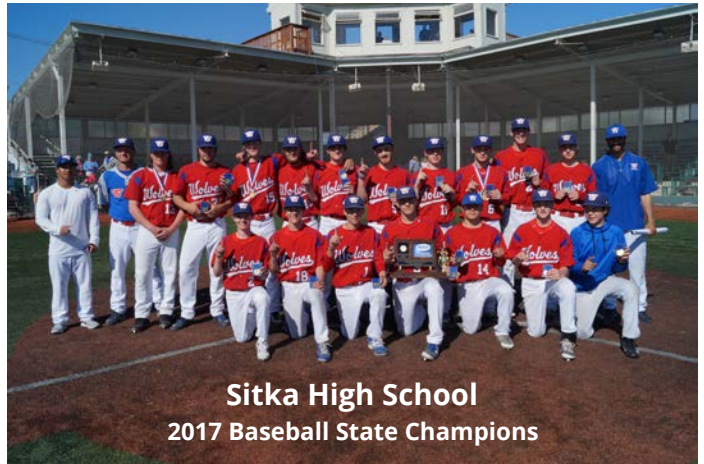
#### FESTIVAL RESULTS

To view more photos from the 2017 Solo & Ensemble Music Festival Command Performance, please [click here](#).

To view the 2017 Command Performance Award Nominations & Command Performers, please [click here](#).



### 2017 ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA BASEBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS



#### BASEBALL RESULTS

##### AWARDS

Champion	Sitka
Runner-up	South Anchorage
Sportsmanship Award:	Sitka
Academic Award:	South Anchorage

##### ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM

Anthony Maldonado	South
Austin Robertson	Wasilla
Bryce Kelly	Sitka
Bryce Swafford	Juneau-Douglas
Colin King	Lathrop
Cooper Bailey-Parsons	Service
Hank Boyer	Wasilla
Jonny Homza	South
Ky Stockel	Sitka
Parker Johnson	South
Vaughan Blankenship	Sitka
Zachary Satterly	Colony

Sportsmanship Award presented by AT&T  
Academic Award presented by Princess Cruises

## 2017 ASAA/FIRST NATIONAL BANK ALASKA SOFTBALL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS



### SMALL SCHOOL RESULTS

#### AWARDS

Champion	Thunder Mt
Runner-up	Juneau-Douglas
Sportsmanship Award	Soldotna
Academic Award:	Homer

#### ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM

Alondra Echiverri	Thunder Mt
Amanda Norton	North Pole
Darcy Blume	Soldotna
Elsie Smith	Homer
Haleigh DiCarlo	Thunder Mt
Kelley Ragan	Hutchison
Kirstie Crosby	Hutchison
Morgan Balovich	Juneau-Douglas
Sami Good	Juneau-Douglas

Sportsmanship Award presented by AT&T  
Academic Award presented by Princess Cruises

### LARGE SCHOOL RESULTS

#### AWARDS

Champion	South Anchorage
Runner-up	East Anchorage
Sportsmanship Award	West Anchorage
Academic Award	South Anchorage

#### ALL TOURNAMENT TEAM

Ashton Jessee	South
Autumn Hendrie	West Valley
Daisy Page	East
Danni Desjarlias	South
Katie Hanson	Dimond
Lesley Bingham	West
Megan Luther	Dimond
Precious Tofaeono	East
Tristan Tolan	South

Sportsmanship Award presented by AT&T  
Academic Award presented by Princess Cruises