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## BULLETIN NO. 003-22 SECONDARY EDUCATION AND PATHWAY PREPARATION

**TO:** Educational Service District Superintendents  
School District Superintendents  
School District Business Managers  
School Principals

**FROM:** Chris Reykdal, Superintendent of Public Instruction

**RE:** Grant Opportunity--ALE Accelerating Unfinished Learning

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### PURPOSE

This grant opportunity will support universal screening and addressing COVID related learning gaps through an Alternative Learning Experience (ALE) model.

### BACKGROUND

Many students have unfinished learning and exacerbated social-emotional needs due to the COVID pandemic. Universal screening can identify a student's unique academic gaps and social emotional needs, and ALE can address those limited learning gaps through individualization and acceleration. However, many districts face a variety of barriers to providing individualized scheduling and learning plans due to scheduling constraints and funding formula disparities, thus forcing students to retake entire courses or transfer out of district.

This grant opportunity encourages accelerated learning recovery through academic and social emotional screening, individualizing a response via ALE, and providing the funding for school districts that would otherwise be financially disincentivized to offer ALE. This will reduce the impacts of retaking entire courses, creates an opportunity to keep students enrolled at their current school, and gets students back on track with their peers in an accelerated timeline.

## DETAILS

- Grant applications are currently being accepted through the [ALE Accelerating Unfinished Learning Application Form](#).
- A rolling review of applications will begin on January 17, and will continue monthly. Applications for this grant program will be accepted until all funds are allocated.
- If you are interested in this grant program, visit the [ALE Accelerating Unfinished Learning website](#) for more information.
- Questions? Contact the Alternative Learning Department at [aldinfo@k12.wa.us](mailto:aldinfo@k12.wa.us).

## INFORMATION AND ASSISTANCE

For questions regarding this bulletin, please contact Anissa Sharratt, ALE Program Manager, at 360-485-3758 or email [anissa.sharratt@k12.wa.us](mailto:anissa.sharratt@k12.wa.us). The OSPI TTY number is 360-664-3631.

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