

MEDIA ADVISORY/PHOTO OP

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WHAT: ANCHORAGE GRADNATION SUMMIT
Youth, business leaders and community members join together to shape solutions for the future success of our youth and our city.
Event Schedule attached.

WHEN: Saturday, April 9, 2016
9:30 AM to 4:00 PM (registration begins at 9:00 AM)

WHERE: UAA's STUDENT UNION

In the last decade, our community has pulled together to help raise the graduation rate in Anchorage 20 points to an all-time high of 80%. Getting those last ten points to our goal of 90% by 2020 is going to take everyone at the table working together.

Anchorage Mayor Ethan Berkowitz will open the Summit. Preston Pollard--2006 Bartlett High graduate, professional skateboarder and motivational speaker--will deliver the keynote.

Registration, lunch and parking are free! PEOPLE MOVER is providing free rides to/from the Summit - just let the driver know you are headed to the Summit when you board.

Take home resources including business engagement ideas and strategies; volunteer and youth job opportunities; and information on college and trade school options, admissions and financial aid.

Anchorage's GradNation Community Summit is part of a series of 100 summits to be held around the country through 2016 as part of America's Promise's GradNation Campaign, a large and growing movement of dedicated individuals, organizations and communities working together to raise the national high school graduation rate to 90% by 2020. Local sponsors include Alaska Children's Trust, Subway, Municipality of Anchorage, AT&T and United Way of Anchorage.

About United Way of Anchorage

United Way of Anchorage mobilizes people and resources to make lasting, measurable changes in our community to improve lives. Our priorities are successful, prepared kids; strong, financially stable families; access to medical care for all; and a community making healthy lifestyle choices. United Way invites you to join the movement. www.liveunitedanc.org

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