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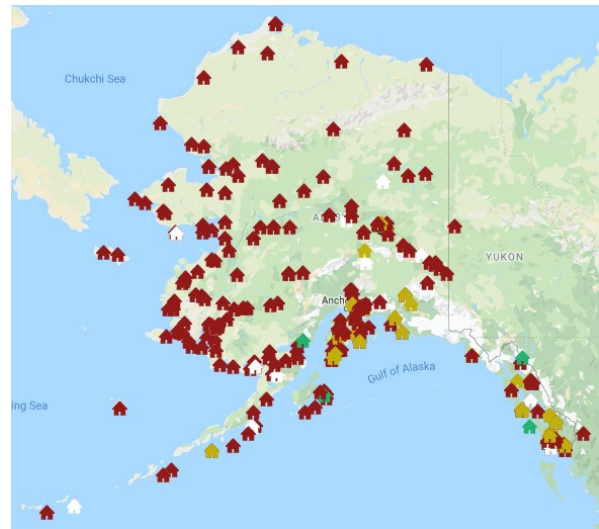
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## APF RELEASES INTERACTIVE 2019 PEAKS MAPS

ANCHORAGE, Alaska — Alaska Policy Forum (APF) has published new interactive maps of the 2019 Performance Evaluation for Alaska’s Schools (PEAKS) results. PEAKS assesses the proficiency of public school students from 3<sup>rd</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> grade in English Language Arts and Mathematics.

Although the PEAKS scores are available online from the state on a per-school basis, APF’s maps aggregate the results in a visual tool that allows users to view and compare scores from schools across the state. On the map, a red schoolhouse indicates a student average of 51 to 100% below proficiency for all grades and subjects tested.

**“When viewing PEAKS results by school, it is difficult to grasp the extent of the problem facing Alaska. But when viewed in the aggregate, it becomes clear that our state is failing young Alaskans and needs to take action to ensure their proficiency in reading and math.”**



— Bethany Marcum, Executive Director at Alaska Policy Forum

APF publishes the PEAKS maps annually in an endeavor to increase government transparency by displaying the performance of Alaska’s public schools in an accessible format. The maps are available online at <http://peaks.alaskapolicyforum.org/>.

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