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To: UAF Campus Community

From: Pamm Zierfuss-Hubbard, Contracts Manager

Re: Termination of Off-Campus Vendor Program

As many of you know, the Bear Bucks program enables members of the campus community the ability to utilize Bear Bucks funds placed on their Polar Express card at both on and off-campus locations. The off-campus program has been managed by Off Campus Solutions (OCS), a company that has handled merchant enrollment, marketing and technical support for the program since 2008.

On March 26, 2014, UAF was notified that OCS intends to officially exit the off-campus vendor program due to loss of a pre-paid bank sponsor. *This termination is effective June* 30, 2014, which means as of this date, the off-campus use of Bear Bucks is discontinued until further notice.

OCS' cancellation has provided UAF with an opportunity to review our campus carding needs and identify the most beneficial program to offer a more holistic campus card solution. Our intent is to ensure that the entire campus community is able to utilize Bear Bucks in the most flexible way possible. Over the next few months, campus constituents will meet to determine how best to move forward.

This termination will have <u>no</u> effect on the on-campus usage of Bear Bucks. Students, faculty and staff will still be able to utilize Bear Bucks at all dining services locations, vending machines, photocopiers, the Wood Center counter and the bookstore.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact UAF Dining Services at uaf-dining@alaska.edu or 474.6661.