**Using a School Improvement Plan as a**

**Title I Schoolwide Plan Assurances**

**School Year:**

# Contact Information

## School Information

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| School Name:       | Principal:       | Address:       |
| Telephone:       | Email:       |  |

## District Information

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| District Name:       | Superintendent:       | Address:       |
| Telephone:       | Email:       |  |

# Schoolwide Enactment Information

## Schoolwide Eligibility Information

What is the school’s current poverty rate?:

Is the school’s poverty rate above 40%?:[ ]  Yes [ ]  No

If poverty rate is below 40%, does the school have an approved [waiver](https://education.alaska.gov/forms/05-18-050.docx) for the current school year on file with DEED?

[ ]  Yes [ ]  No

## Schoolwide Plan Information

New Plan?: [ ]  Yes [ ]  No

*\*If this plan is for a new schoolwide school, it must be submitted to DEED as part of the current-year ESEA Consolidated Application in GMS (include all items in the* [*checklist*](#_Assurance_Agreement_for) *at the end of this document).*

Initial Effective Date:

Revision Date:

# Plan Development and Consultation

**Describe the composition of the planning team. Provide a list of team members, who they represent, and their roles and/or responsibilities. (Each group should have at least one participant.)**

## Schoolwide Program Planning Team

| **Representation** | **Name of Team Member** | **Roles/Responsibilities**  |
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| **Principal:** *(required)*  |       |       |
| **Teachers:***(required)*  |       |       |
| **Paraprofessionals:** *(required)* |       |       |
| **Parents & Community:***(required)* |       |       |
| **School Staff***(required)* |       |       |
| **Technical Assistance Providers:***(as appropriate)* |       |       |
| **Administrators:** *(as appropriate)* |       |       |
| **\*Other ESEA Title Programs**: |       |       |
| **\*CTE:**  |       |       |
| **\*Head Start:**  |       |       |
| **Specialized Instructional Support:***(as appropriate)* |       |       |
| **Tribes & Tribal Organizations:** *(as applicable)*  |       |       |
| **Students:***(if plan relates to secondary school)* |       |       |
| **Other:***(as needed)* |       |       |

\*Administrators of programs that are to be consolidated in the schoolwide plan.

# Comprehensive Needs Assessment

Complete a Comprehensive Needs Assessment of the entire school based on information that includes the performance of *all* children in the school in relationship to the state’s academic achievement standards, including the needs of students in low-performing subgroups (racial/ethnic, students with disabilities, English learners, migratory children). Complete the Alaska’s Empowerment Playbook Comprehensive Needs Assessment (completed during the initial year of identification), also referred to as the Situational Analysis, and upload to the School Improvement Application in the Grant Management System (GMS), if School Improvement School.

This includes the:

* [Profile Review](https://education.alaska.gov/forms/05-23-036a.docx),
* [Practice Review](https://education.alaska.gov/forms/05-23-037a.pdf),
* [Program Review](https://education.alaska.gov/forms/05-23-038a.docx), and
* [Community Review](https://education.alaska.gov/forms/05-23-039a.docx).

# Schoolwide Plan Strategies

## School Improvement Plan Sections for the Schoolwide Plan

A Title I schoolwide plan is comprehensive and must describe the educational program in the school and must include **all** required components identified below. The school must select at least one indicator from each required area listed in the Schoolwide Plan Strategies crosswalk below. The school must then create at least one strategy that aligns with the selected indicators.

The following requirements of the Title I Schoolwide Plan have been addressed in the applicable School Improvement Plan sections as indicated in the chart below. Additional indicators may be addressed at the school’s discretion. Schools must fill out the [3-Year Successful School Improvement Plan & Assurances](https://docs.google.com/document/d/11w5A3DypzgEgyR6RIm-hHFDd5jSPeleL/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=115327915588520503813&rtpof=true&sd=true) (word document) and develop strategies that align with the indicators outlined below.

## Required Indicators

Within the 3-Year Successful School Improvement Plan, the school must have strategies that align with the indicators listed below. **At least one indicator per area is required**. Schools may develop multiple strategies per indicator.

| **Required**The schoolwide plan must include a description of the strategies that the school will be implementing to address school needs, including a description of how such strategies will— | **Alaska’s Empowerment Playbook** Within the [3-Year Successful School Improvement Plan](https://docs.google.com/document/d/11w5A3DypzgEgyR6RIm-hHFDd5jSPeleL/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=115327915588520503813&rtpof=true&sd=true), the school must have strategies that align with the indicators listed below. At least one indicator per area is required. Schools may develop multiple strategies per indicator. |
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| Provide opportunities for all children, including each of the subgroups of students, to meet the challenging State academic standards.(ESEA section 1114(b)(7)(A)(i)) | **At least one** of the following indicators **must** be addressed in the plan. Select which indicator(s) the school has included in their plan. [ ]  Indicator SC-1C.3,[ ]  Indicator SC-3B.1,[ ]  Indicator SC-3B.3, and/or [ ]  Indicator SC-3B.4 |
| Use methods and instructional strategies that – * strengthen the academic program in the school,
* increase the amount and quality of learning time, and
* help provide an enriched and accelerated curriculum, which may include programs, activities, and courses necessary to provide a well-rounded education.

(ESEA section 1114(b)(7)(A)(ii)) | **At least one** of the following indicators **must** be addressed in the plan. Select which indicator(s) the school has included in their plan. [ ]  Indicator SC-3B.1,[ ]  Indicator SC-3B.2, and/or[ ]  Indicator SC-3B.4 |
| Address the needs of all children in the school, but particularly the needs of those at risk of not meeting the challenging State academic standards.(ESEA section 1114(b)(7)(A)(iii)) | **At least one** of the following indicators **must** be addressed in the plan. Select which indicator(s) the school has included in their plan. [ ]  Indicator SC-3C.1, and/or[ ]  Indicator SC-3C.2 |

## Optional Indicators

Within the 3-Year Successful School Improvement Plan, the school may choose to have strategies that align with the indicators listed below.

| **Optional**The schoolwide plan may include a description of the following activities in order to address the needs of all children, but particularly the needs of those at risk of not meeting the challenging State academic standards –  | **Alaska’s Empowerment Playbook**Within the [3-Year Successful School Improvement Plan](https://docs.google.com/document/d/11w5A3DypzgEgyR6RIm-hHFDd5jSPeleL/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=115327915588520503813&rtpof=true&sd=true), the school may choose to have strategies that align with the indicators listed below. |
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| Preparation for and awareness of opportunities for postsecondary education and the workforce, which may include career and technical education programs and broadening secondary school students’ access to coursework to earn postsecondary credit while still in high school (such as Advance Placement, International Baccalaureate, dual or concurrent enrollment, or early college high schools.(ESEA section 1114(b)(7)(A)(iii)(ll)) | The school **may** choose to address one or more of the following indicators in their plan. If applicable, select the indicator(s) the school has included in their plan. [ ]  Indicator SC-4C.1, [ ]  Indicator SC-4C.2, and/or[ ]  Indicator SC-4C.3 |
| Implementation of a schoolwide tiered model to prevent and address problem behavior, and early intervening services, coordinated with similar activities and services carried out under the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 U.S.C. 1400 et seq.). (ESEA section 1114(b)(7)(A)(iii)(III)) | The school **may** choose to address one or more of the following indicators in their plan. If applicable, select the indicator(s) the school has included in their plan. [ ]  Indicator SC-3A.1,[ ]  Indicator SC-4A.5, and/or[ ]  Indicator SC-3C-3 |
| Counseling, school-based mental health programs, specialized instructional support services, mentoring services, and other strategies to improve students’ skills outside the academic subject areas;(ESEA section 1114(b)(7)(A)(iii)(I)) | The school **may** choose to address one or more of the following indicators in their plan. If applicable, select the indicator(s) the school has included in their plan. [ ]  Indicator SC-4D.4, and/or[ ]  Indicator SC-4D.5 |
| Professional development and other activities for teachers, paraprofessionals, and other school personnel to improve instruction and use of data from academic assessments, and to recruit and retain effective teachers, particularly in high need subjects.(ESEA section 1114(b)(7)(A)(iii)(IV)) | The school **may** choose to address one or more of the following indicators in their plan. If applicable, select the indicator(s) the school has included in their plan. [ ]  Indicator SC-2B.1,[ ]  Indicator SC-2B.2,[ ]  Indicator SC-2B.3, and/or[ ]  Indicator SC-3B.3 |
| Strategies for assisting preschool children in the transition from early childhood education programs to local elementary school programs.ESEA section 1114(b)(7)(A)(iii)(V)) | The school **may** choose to address one or more of the following indicators in their plan. If applicable, select the indicator(s) the school has included in their plan. [ ]  Indicator SC-4C.2, and/or[ ]  Indicator SC-4C.3 |

# Financial Requirements

**Indicate which, if any, of the state, local or federal program resources are used to support the schoolwide plan. (Include only funds that are used to implement components of the schoolwide plan in the school. See 34 CFR, Section 220.29 for regulations relating to consolidation of funds from federal programs.)**

| **Check box if used** | **Dollar Amount** | **Program funds used to implement components of the schoolwide plan** **(check all that apply)** |
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| [ ]  |       | Title I, Part A: Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Education Agencies |
| [ ]  |       | Title I, Part C: Education of Migratory Children\*\* |
| [ ]  |       | Title II, Part A: Preparing, Training and Recruiting High Quality Teachers and School Leaders |
| [ ]  |       | Title III, Part A: English Language Acquisition, Enhancement, & Academic Achievement |
| [ ]  |       | Title IV, Part A: Student Support and Academic Enrichment Grants |
| [ ]  |       | Title VI, Part A: Indian, Native Hawaiian, and Alaska Native Education\*\* |
| [ ]  |       | 1003(a): School Improvement  |
| [ ]  |       | IDEA Part B\*\* |
| [ ]  |       | Carl Perkins |
| [ ]  |       | State Funds |
| [ ]  |       | Local Funds |
| [ ]  |       | Other: |
| [ ]  |       | Other: |

\*\*The use of Migrant Education, Indian Education, and IDEA funds have additional restrictions.

# Checklist for Using a School Improvement Plan as a Title I Schoolwide Plan Assurances

**Complete each of the following items to use a School Improvement Plan as a Title I Schoolwide Plan.**

1. Complete the **Alaska’s Empowerment Playbook Situational Analysis**. This fulfills the Comprehensive Needs Assessment requirement for a Title I-A Schoolwide Plan. This includes the:

[ ]  [Profile Review](https://education.alaska.gov/forms/05-23-036a.docx),

[ ]  [Practice Review](https://education.alaska.gov/forms/05-23-037a.pdf),

[ ]  [Program Review](https://education.alaska.gov/forms/05-23-038a.docx), and

[ ]  [Community Review](https://education.alaska.gov/forms/05-23-039a.docx)

1. Complete the [**3- year Successful School Improvement Plan**](https://docs.google.com/document/d/11w5A3DypzgEgyR6RIm-hHFDd5jSPeleL/edit?usp=sharing&ouid=115327915588520503813&rtpof=true&sd=true) (word document). This includes:

[ ]  Developing strategies for the [required indicators](#_Alaska_STEPP_Indicators) in Alaska’s Empowerment Playbook as outlined in this form.

1. Complete all sections of this form (**Using a School Improvement Plan as a Schoolwide Plan Assurances**):

[ ]  [Contact Information](#_Contact_Information), [Schoolwide Enactment Information](#_Schoolwide_Enactment_Information), [Schoolwide Plan Strategies](#_Schoolwide_Plan_Strategies_1), [Financial Requirements](#_Financial_Requirements_2), and [Assurance Agreement](#_Assurance_Agreement_for_2).

1. Make **Title I Schoolwide Plan available to the public** (see [Guidance](#_Making_a_Title)). This includes the school’s completed:

[ ]  Alaska’s Empowerment Playbook Situational Analysis,

[ ]  Title I Schoolwide Plan Assurances for Alaska’s Empowerment Playbook, and

[ ]  3- year Successful School Improvement Plan.

1. Submit the above checklist items to DEED via the ESEA Consolidated Application if either of the following is true:

[ ]  A Schoolwide Plan waiver is required because the school’s poverty rate is below 40%.

[ ]  The school is operating a Schoolwide Program and did not operate a Schoolwide Program in the prior fiscal year.

# Assurance Agreement for Schoolwide Plan

Upon implementation of the schoolwide plan, the Title I school served a student population in which at least 40% of the students are from low-income families, or the school received a waiver from the Alaska Department of Education & Early Development to operate a schoolwide program without meeting the 40% poverty threshold. The school has completed the schoolwide planning process and has met the requirements of the Title I legislation relating to schoolwide planning, implementation, and evaluation criteria as outlined in section 1114 of the ESEA. The district has worked in consultation with the school as the school developed the schoolwide plan and will continue to assist the school in implementing, evaluating, and revising the plan annually.

**Name of Superintendent or Designee**:

**Signature: Date:**

**Name of Principal**:

**Signature: Date:**

# Title I Schoolwide Program Overview & Requirements

A Title I schoolwide program is a comprehensive reform strategy designed to upgrade the entire education program in a Title I school in order to improve the achievement of the lowest achieving students (ESEA section 1114(a)(1)). Under ESEA, a school may initially operate a schoolwide program if it meets any of the following conditions:

* A Title I school with 40% or more of its students living in poverty, regardless of the grades it serves.
* A Title I school that receives a waiver from the Alaska Department of Education & Early Development to operate a schoolwide program without meeting the 40% poverty threshold.

## Benefits from Operating a Schoolwide Program

A school that operates a schoolwide program is able to take advantage of numerous benefits, including:

* **Serving all students**. A school operating a schoolwide program does not need to identify particular students as eligible to participate, or individual services as supplementary. (ESEA section 1114(a)(2)(A)).
* **Consolidating Federal, State, and local funds**. A school operating a schoolwide program may consolidate Federal, State, and local education funds to better address the needs of students in the school. (ESEA section 1114(a)(1), (A)).

## Consultation and Coordination

* The plan must be developed with the involvement of parents and other members of the community to be served and individuals who will carry out such plan, including teachers, principals, other school leaders, paraprofessionals present in the school, administrators (including administrators of programs described in other parts of this title), the local educational agency, to the extent feasible, tribes and tribal organizations present in the community, and, if appropriate, specialized instructional support personnel, technical assistance providers, school staff, if the plan relates to a secondary school, students, and other individuals determined by the school. (ESEA section 1114(b)(2))
* If appropriate and applicable, the plan must be developed in coordination and integration with other Federal, State, and local services, resources, and programs, such as programs supported under this Act, violence prevention programs, nutrition programs, housing programs, Head Start programs, adult education programs, career and technical education programs, and schools implementing comprehensive support and improvement activities or targeted support and improvement activities. (ESEA section 1114(b)(5))
* The plan must be available to the local educational agency, parents, and the public, and the information contained in such plan shall be in an understandable and uniform format and, to the extent practicable, provided in a language that the parents can understand. (ESEA section 1114(b)(4))

## Implementing a Schoolwide Program

There are three required components of a schoolwide program that are essential to effective implementation: conducting a comprehensive needs assessment, preparing a comprehensive schoolwide plan, and annually reviewing and revising, as necessary, the schoolwide plan.

* **Conducting a comprehensive needs assessment**. To ensure that a school’s comprehensive plan best serves the needs of those children who are failing, or are at-risk of failing, to meet the challenging State academic standards, the school must conduct a comprehensive needs assessment. (ESEA section 1114(b)(6)). Through the needs assessment, a school must examine relevant academic achievement data and other data to understand students’ most pressing needs and their root causes. The needs assessment should include consultation with a broad range of stakeholders (described above). Where necessary, a school should attempt to engage in interviews, focus groups, or surveys, as well as review data on students, educators, and schools to gain a better understanding of the root causes of the identified needs.
* Preparing a **comprehensive schoolwide plan** that describes how the school will improve academic achievement throughout the school, but particularly for the lowest-achieving students, by addressing the needs identified in the comprehensive needs assessment. (ESEA section 1114(b)(7)).
	+ The schoolwide plan must include a description of how the strategies the school will be implementing will provide opportunities and address the learning needs of all students in the school, particularly the needs of the lowest-achieving students. (ESEA section 1114(b)(7)(A)(i), (iii)).
	+ The plan must also contain descriptions of how the methods and instructional strategies that the school intends to use will strengthen the academic program in the school, increase the amount and quality of learning time, and help provide an enriched and accelerated curriculum, including programs and activities necessary to provide a well-rounded education. (ESEA section 1114(b)(7)(A)(ii)).
	+ To ensure that the plan results in progress toward addressing the needs of the school, the plan should include benchmarks for the evaluation of program results. This plan may be integrated into an existing improvement plan.
* **Annually evaluating the schoolwide plan**, using data from the State’s assessments, other student performance data, and perception data to determine if the schoolwide program has been effective in addressing the major problem areas and, in turn, increasing student achievement, particularly for the lowest-achieving students. Schools must annually revise the plan, as necessary, based on student needs and the results of the evaluation to ensure continuous improvement. (ESEA section 1114(b)(3)).

## Making a Title I Schoolwide Plan Available to the Public

A Title I Schoolwide Plan in Alaska’s Empowerment Playbook includes three parts:

* 3-Year Successful School Improvement Plan,
* the Comprehensive Needs Assessment, which includes:
	+ Profile Review,
	+ Practice Review,
	+ Program Review,
	+ Community Review, and
* the Title I Schoolwide Plan Assurances for the current school year.

**These documents can be combined into one PDF document and posted on the school’s website.**