[School name]  
TITLE I SCHOOLWIDE PLAN WAIVER

As authorized under ESEA, as amended by ESSA, December 2015

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**School and District Contact Information**

**School Information**

| **Name of School** |
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| **Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code)** |
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| **Name of Principal** |
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**District Information**

| **Name of District** |
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| **Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code)** |
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| **Name of Superintendent** |
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**Title I Schoolwide Program Overview**

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.

**Title I Schoolwide Waiver Overview**

The Alaska Department of Education & Early Development (DEED) has discretion to grant a waiver to allow a Title I school to operate a schoolwide program without meeting the 40 percent poverty threshold if DEED has determined that a schoolwide program will best serve the needs of students in the school who are failing, or at risk of failing, to meet the challenging State academic standards (ESEA sections 1114(a)(1)(B) and (b)(6)). To grant such a waiver, DEED must take into account how a schoolwide program will best serve the needs of the students in the school in improving academic achievement, and other factors (ESEA section 1114(a)(1)(B)).

Districts must ensure that schools receiving a waiver will operate a schoolwide program in a way that improves the achievement of students in the school who would otherwise be eligible to receive Title I services through a targeted assistance program.

**Title I Schoolwide Waiver**

According to Section 1114(a)(1)(B) of the ESEA, as amended, a school that serves an eligible attendance area in which less than 40 percent of the children are from low-income families, or a school for which less than 40 percent of the children enrolled in the school are from such families, may operate a schoolwide program under this section if the school receives a waiver from the Alaska Department of Education & Early Development (DEED) to do so.

| **School Name** | **% of Low Income Students** | **Request to operate a schoolwide program in a school for which less than 40% of the children enrolled are from low-income families** |
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| **Please use the space below to justify how a schoolwide program will best serve the needs of all children in the school, but particularly the needs of those at risk of not meeting the challenging state academic standards.** |
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| **Please describe how stakeholder input was solicited in determining that this school would apply for a schoolwide eligibility waiver.** |
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**Checklist for Completion**

The [School and District Contact Information Section](#_top) of this form has been completed.

The [Title I Schoolwide Waiver Section](#_Title_I_Schoolwide) of this form has been completed.

The [Assurance Agreement for Schoolwide Plan Waiver Section](#_Assurance_Agreement_for) is signed by the Superintendent and Principal.

Upload the completed version of this form to the FY26 ESEA Consolidated Application under **Title I-A Related Documents**.

The Alaska Department of Education & Early Development (DEED) has a copy on file of the current schoolwide plan for each school included in this schoolwide waiver request. Upload the schoolwide plan to the FY26 ESEA Consolidated Application under the **Title I-A Related Documents**.

**Assurance Agreement for Schoolwide Plan Waiver**

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. The school will **annually complete the schoolwide waiver form** to continue operating a schoolwide program without meeting the 40 percent poverty threshold.

**Superintendent Assurance Agreement**

Printed Name of Superintendent:

Signature of Superintendent: Date:

**Principal Assurance Agreement**

Printed Name of Principal:

Signature of Principal: Date: