



Revised Alaska Performance Scholarship Course Eligibility Assurance Form

The Alaska Performance Scholarship (APS) requires courses offered by your school district in Math, Science, Language Arts and Social Studies to include the courses set forth in 4AAC 43.030 (see enclosed 2015 Eligibility Progress Checklist). If the courses do not fit within the course content area, the course must be:

- (1) a college or industry preparatory course; and
- (2) meets or exceeds the standards and grade-level expectations for a high school course established in the department's publication. The Department of Education & Early Development (EED) expects school districts to use the ELA/Math Alaska Standards (2012).

All courses that qualify by meeting the course requirements of APS must be identified and recognizable for students, families, and school district employees.

The school district must provide clear documentation of the courses eligible for APS purposes. Sample Course Eligibility forms provided by the Department of Education & Early Development (EED) may be used for determining course approvals. A matrix or spreadsheet listing APS eligible courses must be submitted the EED with this attached assurance form. A sample matrix is enclosed for your review.

The district understands the department may conduct a desk audit of the curriculum of a district that determines under AS 14.03.113 that students are eligible for a scholarship award. A desk audit may include an examination of the

- (1) Content being taught;
- (2) District's course performance standards; and
- (3) District's collection and documentation of student performance.

By my signature below, I assure the courses approved meet the intent of the Alaska Performance Scholarship set forth in AS 14.43.820.

Superintendent (print)

Date

Superintendent (signature)

Submit this document to Erin Thompson by: *Email*: <u>erin.thompson@alaska.gov</u> *Mail*: Department of Education & Early Development P.O. Box 110500 Juneau, AK 99811-0500

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