New Designations (22/23) System for School Success and School Improvement

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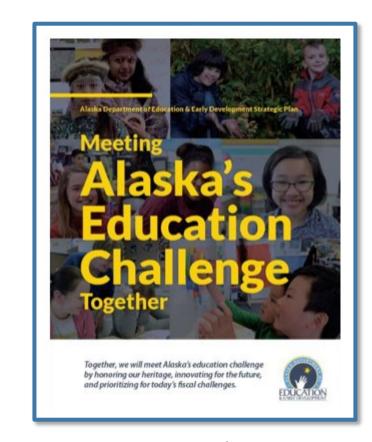
Mission, Vision, and Purpose

Mission	Vision	Purpose				
An excellent education for every student every day.	All students will succeed in their education and work, shape worthwhile and satisfying lives for themselves, exemplify the best values of society, and be effective in improving the character and quality of the world about them. - Alaska Statute 14.03.015	DEED exists to provide information, resources, and leadership to support an excellent education for every student every day.				

Strategic Priorities: Alaska's Education Challenge

Five Shared Priorities:

- 1. Support all students to read at grade level by the end of third grade.
- 2. Increase career, technical, and culturally relevant education to meet student and workforce needs.
- 3. Close the achievement gap by ensuring equitable educational rigor and resources.
- 4. Prepare, attract, and retain effective education professionals.
- 5. Improve the safety and well-being of students through school partnerships with families, communities, and tribes.



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Agenda

- Review the calculation process
 - Designations
 - Indicators
- School Improvement Empowerment Process
 - Entering/Exiting Designation
 - Requirements
 - State Supports & Resources

Data from 22-23 School Year

- As a reminder, the 22-23 Accountability system was delayed due to AKSTAR refinements
- Data packets and designation information was sent to the Superintendent on May 20th
- If you have not heard from your superintendent, please reach out to them
- 12 districts have not yet picked up their data packet. Superintendents- please email John Jones (john.jones2@alaska.gov) if you need assistance.



Four School Designations

Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI)

- 5% of Title I schools with lowest index score (Off Cycle, 33 Schools)
- Graduation rate less than or equal to 66.67% (Off Cycle, 33 Schools)
- Targeted Support (3 schools)

Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI) (48 Schools)

Based on equity gap for any of nine identified student groups annually

Universal Support (378 Schools)

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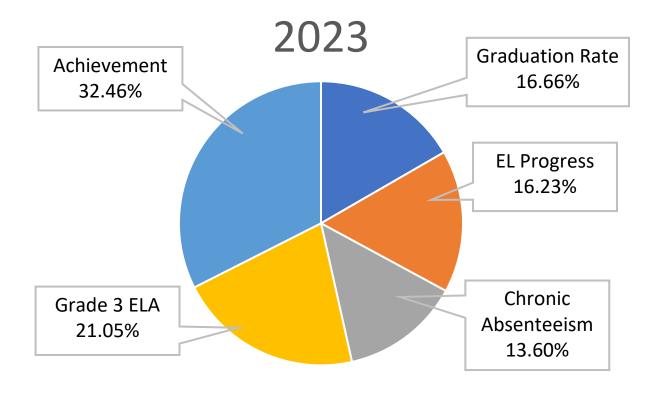


Indicators by Grade

2023 only

	K	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
ELA and Math Proficiency				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
ELA and Math Growth					×	×	×	×	×	×			
Graduation													✓
English Learner Progress	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Chronic Absenteeism	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Grade 3 ELA Proficiency				✓									

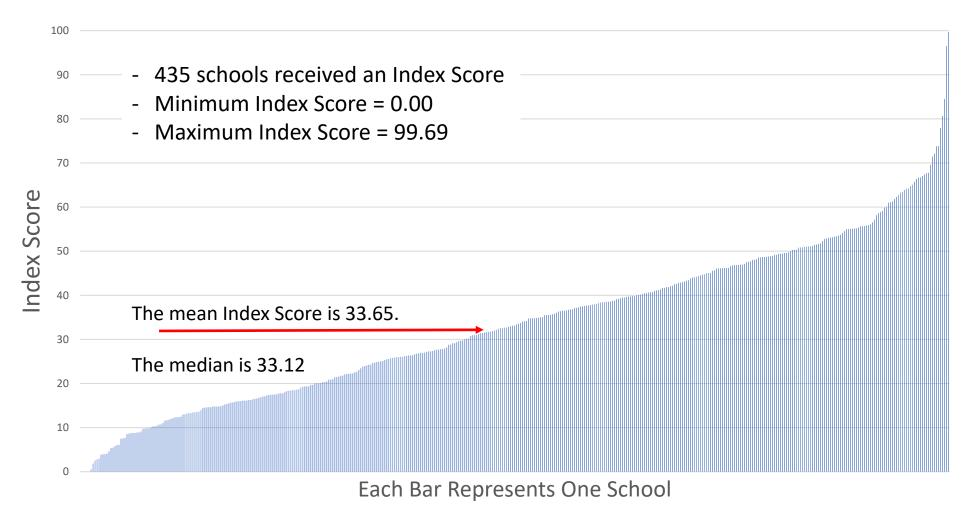
System Weights for Indicators



Overall School Index Value

- Requires at least two indicators
- One of the two indicators must be one of the following:
 - Academic achievement in ELA or Mathematics
 - Four-year or five-year graduation rate
 - English Learner progress
 - Grade 3 ELA

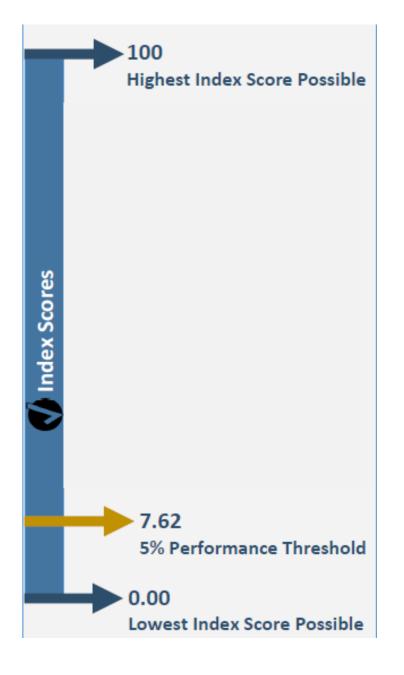
2023 Index Score Distribution



Performance Threshold

2022-2023 Values

- If a school is Title I and has an overall school index score of 7.62 or lower, it would have received a designation of Comprehensive Support (Lowest 5%).
- If a school has any student group with an index score below 7.62, the school receives a designation of Additional Targeted Support.





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School Designations

- Do NOT indicate "good" schools or "bad" schools
- Provide the state with data and guidance on how we can focus our support
- Not meant to be punitive
- Should not be seen as a shameful or stigmatizing

School Improvement is for **every** school, designated schools just get more directed support



School Designations

Additional Targeted Support and Improvement (ATSI)

- Any one of the nine student groups with an index value within the range of the lowest 5% designated CSI schools (student groups listed next slide)
- Performance Threshold (7.62)
- 28 schools entering ATSI this year

*This is a One-Year Designation



Student Groups

- African American
- Alaska Native/American Indian
- Asian/Pacific Islander
- Caucasian
- Hispanic
- Two or More Races
- Students with Disabilities
- English Learners
- Economically Disadvantaged



School Designations

Comprehensive Support and Improvement-Targeted Support (CSI-TSI)

- Only applies to Title I schools
- If a Title I is designated ATSI for three years in a row for the same student group(s) they become a CSI-TSI school
- Will receive the same support level as CSI 5% schools
- *This is a three-year designation



Exiting a Designation Status

- Only ATSI schools are eligible for exit this year
- Exiting schools will NOT be expected to create a new plan for the 2024-2025 school year
- Exiting schools will be required to fill out an end-of-year report (found at the end of the school improvement plan)this will but turned in by email to Christy Roe at <u>Christy.roe@alaska.gov</u> and CC Brittnay Bailey at <u>Brittnay.bailey@alaska.gov</u>

Onboarding Designation Status

- Technical Assistance provided by School Improvement team:
 - Empowerment Specialist Contact
 - Regular webinars
 - Open office hours
 - Cohort meetings for designated schools



Designated Schools: Required Activities per ESEA & ESSA

- Comprehensive needs assessment/situational analysis
- An <u>improvement plan</u> responding to reasons for identification and identified needs
- Consultation of stakeholders
- Implementation of evidence-based interventions

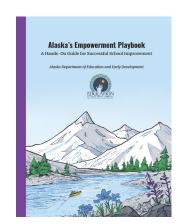
Documentation for these activities are expected to be provided by September 30, 2024 to receive 1003(a) funding (forms supplied by the State) and during ESEA Monitoring.



- School Improvement process and tool =
 - Alaska's Empowerment Playbook







- Outreach webinars and one-on-one assistance from DEED's School Improvement Team
 - Webinar schedule/registration and contact info:



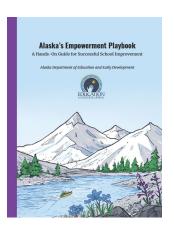


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Alaska's Empowerment Playbook

- Binder to be used in the planning process
- Intended for School and Community usage
- Guides through a thorough situational analysis
 - Program Review
 - Profile Review
 - Practice Review
 - Community Review
- Contains templates and tools for agendas, review forms, plans, etc.
- A tool to be used to gather and analyze data to determine assets and build a **three-year** school improvement plan



School Improvement Grant

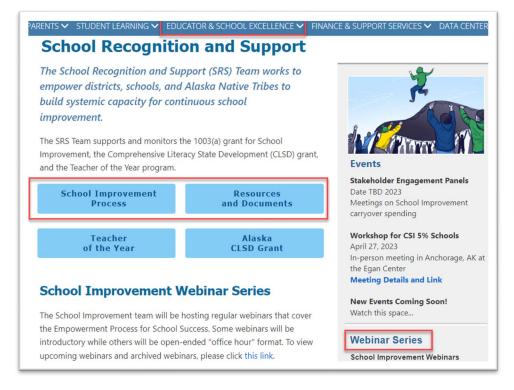
- 1003(a) Grant
 - Formula-based grant through Title IA
 - CSI 5% \$50,000
 - CSI-TSI \$50,000
 - ATSI \$25,000
 - CSI Grad Rate \$25,000

A school improvement plan does not need to be solely funded through the 1003(a) grant.



- SRS Webpage:
 - education.alaska.gov/SchoolRecognition







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Questions





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The following are Reserve Slides for use in responding to technical questions:



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Overall School Index Value

- Requires at least two indicators.
- One of the two indicators must be one of the following:
 - Academic achievement in ELA or Mathematics,
 - Four-year or five-year graduation rate, or
 - English Learner progress



Academic Achievement

- Percentage of students with scores proficient or advanced on AK STAR and DLM
 - English language arts
 - Mathematics
- All Students Group
- Participation rate will determine the denominator
- Top/Bottom Suppression will apply to this indicator as well

See page 21 of Alaska's ESSA Plan



Academic Growth

Requirements

- Not included in this year's accountability system
- Valid test scores on AK STAR on current and previous year
- Progressed on grade from previous year
- Enrolled in the school for a full academic year

See page 23 of Alaska's ESSA Plan



English Learner Progress

- Applicable to grades 1-12
- Full Academic Year (FAY) students only
- Percentage of FAY students who meet their growth target on ACCESS for ELLs
- Initial growth target depends on the level of proficiency at identification

See page 26 of Alaska's ESSA Plan



Chronic Absenteeism

- Points are based on the percentage of students who are NOT chronically absent
 - K-12 students enrolled in at least half of the school year
- Correspondence schools located in facilities where students are incarcerated do not have chronic absenteeism
- The Top/Bottom Suppression rule does not apply to chronic absenteeism

See page 28 of Alaska's ESSA Plan



Grade 3 ELA Proficiency

- Applies to grade 3 only
- Full Academic Year (FAY) students only
- Percentage of Grade 3 students proficient on the English language arts portion of AK STAR and DLM
- Denominator must include at least 95 percent of FAY students

See page 29 of Alaska's ESSA Plan



Graduation Rate- Four Year

Value Calculation

 Ratio of graduates in the four-year cohort group multiplied by 100

This indicator looks at the number of students who graduated from high school within four years of enrolling as ninth graders.

See page 25 of Alaska's ESSA Plan



Graduation Rate-Five Year

- Value Calculation
- Ratio of graduates in the five-year cohort group multiplied by 100

 This indicator looks at the number of students who graduated from high school within five years of enrolling as ninth graders.

See page 25 of Alaska's ESSA Plan



CSI Designation

- Lowest 5% of Title I Schools index value
- Graduation Rate equal to or below 66.67%



ATSI Designation

 Any one of the nine possible student groups in a school score within a range of the lowest 5% of designated CSI Schools.





CSI-TSI Designation

 At a Title I school, any one of the nine possible student groups in a school that is designated ATSI for three years in a row





Data Suppression Rules

- Minimum n-Size Ten (10) students are necessary for an indicator to be included in the school's accountability score and designation.
- Top/Bottom Suppression
 - Established to protect student privacy in Alaska's smaller schools.

Minimum N	Maximum N	Indicator Value Threshold	Reported Value	Suppression Type		
10	19	Less than or equal to 20	0	Bottom		
10	19	Greater than or equal to 80	100	Тор		
20	39	Less than or equal to 10	0	Bottom		
20	39	Greater than or equal to 90	100	Тор		
40	No Limit	Less than or equal to 5	0	Bottom		
40	No Limit	Greater than or equal to 95	100	Тор		



Indicators



Academic Achievement



Academic Growth



School
Quality/Success

- Grade 3 ELA
- Chronic Absenteeism



English Learner Progress



Graduation Rates

4- and 5- year cohorts



School Designation Report



An excellent education for every student every day.

System for School Success Overview

Alaska's education accountability system, System for School Success, includes each student group individually, creating a holistic vision of a school through two lenses: the performance of all students and that of their student group populations.

The Compass

A Guide to Alaska's Public Schools

Alaska recently launched The Compass, a website designed to help parents access important data about public schools in Alaska. The Compass features a wealth of meaningful information on schools and districts so that parents and guardians can participate in decisions to improve their student's learning.

education.alaska.gov/compass

System for School Success

2021-2022 School Report

Sample School, Sample School District

Title I School: Yes

School Designation: Universal Support
Overall School Index Value: 29.04

Academic	Achievement	
	English Language Arts Percentage of students that were proficient on the state summative assessment.	Mathematics Percentage of students tha were proficient on the state summative assessment.
All Students	50%	50%

Academic Growth



Because of the introduction of AKSTAR in the spring of 2022, two years of data for comparison are not available to calculate this indicator. For more information to changes to this year's Accountability system please see:

Not Part of 2021-22 Accountability

https://education.alaska.gov/akessa/stateplan/21-22-Addendum-Template%20final%20accessible.pdf

School Quality/Success								
	Chronic Absenteeism Percentage of students who missed less than 10% of the days enrolled at the school.	Grade 3 ELA Percentage of Grade 3 students that were proficient on the state summative assessment in ELA.						
All Students	50%	50%						

n/a - there were less than 10 students represented or the indicator is not relevant to the school.



English Learner Progress English Learner Progress Percentage of English Learners to



Percentage of English Learners that met or exceeded their growth target on the ACCESS for ELLs assessment.

All Students

50%

Graduation Rates



Graduation Rate
The rate of students that graduated
from high school within four or five
years of enrolling as ninth graders.

Four-Year 50% Five-Year 50%

Student Group Performance



Student Group Performance
If school is Targeted or Additional

If school is Targeted or Additional Targeted Support, identified student groups are shown below.

Student Groups

n/a



School Designation Report



System for School Success Overview



How is my school measured?													
	К	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
ELA and Math Proficiency				✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
ELA and Math Growth					Se	še	æ	3c	še	še			
Graduation													✓
English Learner Progress	✓	✓	✓	✓	V	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	V	✓
Chronic Absenteeism	✓	✓	✓	✓	1	✓	✓	1	✓	1	✓	1	✓
Grade 3 ELA Proficiency				✓									

How is my school designated for support?

Each year an overall school index value is calculated for each school and a school designation is assigned. There are three school designations for Alaska's schools:

- Comprehensive Support
 - Lowest 5%- If the overall school index value of a school falls in the lowest 5% of Title I schools, that school receives a designation of Comprehensive Support (Lowest 5%).
 - Graduation Rate If a secondary school has a graduation rate of less than or equal 66.67%, that school
 receives a designation of Comprehensive Support (Graduation Rate).
- Targeted Support If a school has any student groups with index values under the Comprehensive Support (lowest 5%) threshold, that school receives a designation of Targeted Support.
- Additional Targeted Support Schools that are TSI for the same student group three years in a row.
- Universal Support All other schools are considered Universal Support schools.

Which student groups are measured?

- African American
- Allicali Allierical
- Alaska Native/
 American India
- Asian/Pacific
 Islander
- CaucasianHispanic
- nerican Two or More ive/ Races
- American Indian Students with Asian/Pacific Disabilities
 - English Learners
 - an Economically c Disadvantaged

What are some questions I could ask my school?

Where can I find more information about how my school is performing?

What supports are being provided to my school based on its designation?

What opportunities are available for me to be involved in my student's education?

Measures Combine into Index Score

Each indicator noted in the table to the left is given a score for the school. Note: ELA and Math Growth are not part of the 2021-22 Accountability system.

In addition to looking at the whole school, each student group in a school is measured in the areas listed in the table to the left. These scores are combined and the student group is given a score.

What is the TSI Performance Threshold in 2022?

Highest Index Score Possible

The lowest 5% of Title I schools have index scores ranging from 0 to 6.21.

- If a school is Title I and has an overall school index score of 6.21 or lower, it receives a designation of Comprehensive Support (Lowest 5%).
- If a school has any student group with an index score below 6.21, the school receives a designation of Targeted Support.

Index

 A school that is TSI three years in a row receives Additional Targeted Support



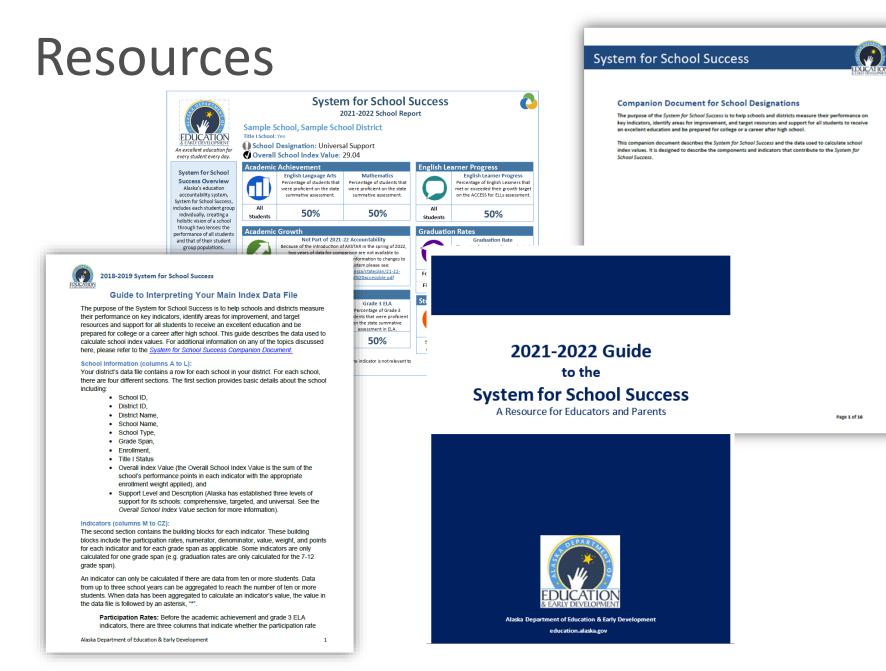


Long-Term Goals and Measures of Interim Progress See page 15 of Alaska's ESSA Plan

- Reduce by ½ of the percent of students not proficient in ELA and Math
- 90 % graduation rate for 4-year cohort
- 93% graduation rate for 5-year cohort
- 70% of English learners make progress

Measures of Interim Progress are calculated separately for each school







Resources

Fact Sheets:

- Assessments
- Standards
- English Learners
- School Designations
 - CSI 5%
 - CSI Grad Rate
 - CSI-TSI
 - ATSI
 - Universal Support

A RESOURCE FOR EDUCATORS AND PARENTS

CSI Schools – Lowest 5%



The FACTS:

After the passage of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), each state was required to write a plan outlining how they will evaluate how well schools are doing on a variety of indicators. The System for School Success is outlined in Alaska's State Plan and describes how DEED will create school designations and what supports these schools will receive.

Indicators within the System for School Success are:

- Academic Achievement looks at the percentage of students whose performance on the state's summative assessments demonstrate the skills and knowledge of the current grade-level content in English language arts and mathematics.
- Academic Growth looks at the percentage of students who improved or maintained from one year to the next on the statewide summative assessments in English and language arts and mathematics
- Graduation Rate looks at the percentage of students who graduated from high school with a diploma in four or five years.
- English Learner Progress calculates the percentage of English learners who meet or exceed their growth target toward attaining English language proficiency. English learners are students who have the influence of a language other than English.
- Chronic Absenteeism (School Quality/Student Success) looks at the percentage of students who missed less than 10% of the days they attended at the school.
- Grade 3 English Language Arts indicates how many students are proficient on the statewide summative assessment in English language arts.

An index value is determined for each school 10 students in a minimum of two indicators.

How is this school designation determined?

A school receives a designation of Comprehensive Support and Improvement-Lowest 5%

- When ranked according to their accountability index value, the lowest performing 5% of all Title I schools are identified as a Comprehensive Support and Improvement School (CSI (Lowest 5%))
- CSI (Lowest 5%) schools will be identified annually.
- CSI (Lowest 5%) schools remain in this designation for a minimum of 3 years.

Exit Criteria for This Designation

To exit this designation, a school may exit after 3 years if they:

- Meet the school's long term goals or measures of interim progress for the all students groups in academic achievement in ELA and mathematics,
- Meet the 4-year graduation rate of 66 2/3%, and
- Meet English Learner Progress growth targets (as applicable).

What are CSI (lowest 5%) schools required to do?

CSI (Lowest 5%) schools will develop a school improvement plan with the input of local stakeholders (parents, school staff, community members, students, etc.) to address the six indicators, reasons for designation, and identified local needs. The plan will include interventions to improve student performance.

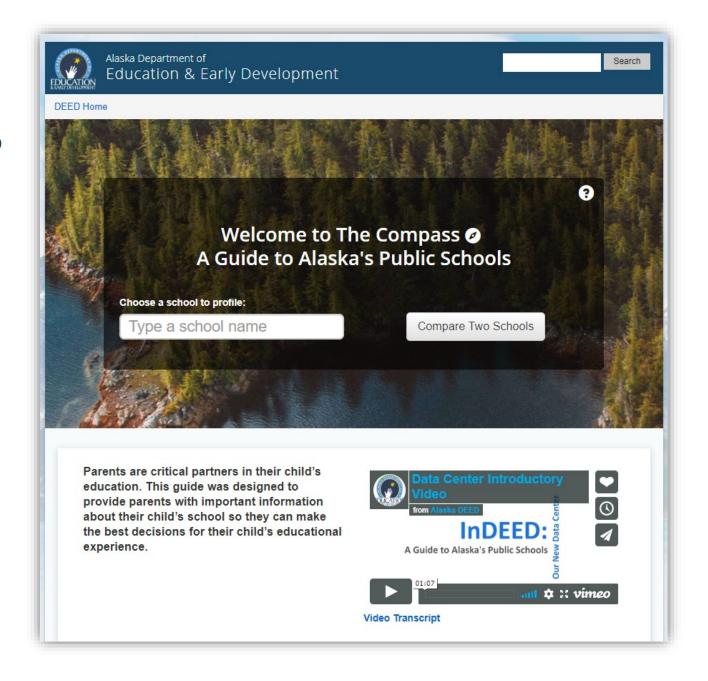
Supports Available for CSI (Lowest 5%) Schools

These schools have access to school improvement funds to assist in the implementation of the school improvement plan. In addition, a school improvement coach will be assigned to support school improvement efforts, as resources allow.

These schools continue to have access to all the general supports provided by the district and DEED.



The Compass



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