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Alaska Department of Education and Early Development Regulatory Reform Plan

Section 1: DEED's Baseline Number is 3,035. Discretionary requirements are 371 which is 12.2%; regulations identified for removal are 261 and regulations for revision are 110. The department anticipates 84 discretionary regulatory requirements would be identified in the guidance and supporting documentation to reach the 15% regulation reduction goal for 2026.

- The established baseline consists only of discretionary regulatory requirements as defined under AO360.
- Mandatory requirements (those required by statute, federal law, or court order) are excluded.
- The baseline does not include any potential reductions to guidance materials or documents currently.

Scope of Discretionary Requirements

- Discretionary requirements included in the baseline are drawn from:
 - Alaska Administrative Code regulations.
 - Materials incorporated by reference within those regulations.
- Guidance documents and supporting materials will be updated to reflect removed and revised regulations.

Updates Since Baseline Establishment

- Regulations that were in process with LAW were included in the original baseline count; therefore, there were no additional changes to the overall baseline at this time.

Section 2: Stakeholder Engagement

Stakeholder meetings were published on [DEED Administrative Order 360 webpage](#) and posted on the State of Alaska Online Public Notices: [Solicitation for Public Input – Department of Education and Early Development Regulatory Revisions - Administrative Order 360](#).

The department's public notice was published on 9/19/2025 and will be archived on 1/18/2026.

Chapter	Stakeholder Meeting Date & Time	Public Comment Period
Chapter 34. Bilingual-Bicultural Education	10/2/2025 8am & 4pm	10/2/2025 to 11/1/2025
Chapter 66. Regional Resource Centers	10/14/2025 8am & 4pm	10/14/2025 to 11/13/2025
Chapter 57. Library Services	10/15/2025 9-10 am	10/15/2025 to 11/14/2025
Chapter 59. Alaska State Archives and Records and Information Management Services	10 - 11 am	10/15/2025 to 11/14/2025
Chapter 58. Museum Services	11 -12 pm	10/15/2025 to 11/14/2025
Chapter 42. Private Schools	10/16/2025 8am & 4pm	10/16/2025 to 11/15/2025
Chapter 51. Vocational Education: Article 3. Secondary Vocational Educational Programs	10/21/2025 8am & 4pm	10/21/2025 to 11/20/2025
Chapter 57. Library Services	9-10 am	10/22/2025 to 11/21/2025
Chapter 59. Alaska State Archives and Records and Information Management Services	10 - 11 am	10/22/2025 to 11/21/2025
Chapter 58. Museum Services	11 -12 pm	10/22/2025 to 11/21/2025
Chapter 12. Certification of Professional Teachers	10/23/2025 8am & 4pm	10/23/2025 to 11/22/2025
Chapter 30. Exchange Teachers and Student Teachers		
Chapter 15. Allowances for Professional Personnel		
Chapter 18. Employment of Professional Personnel	10/28/2025 8am & 4pm	10/28/2025 to 11/27/2025
Chapter 19. Evaluation of Professional Employees		
Chapter 57. Library Services	10/29/2025 9-10 am	10/29/2025 to 11/28/2025

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Chapter 58. Museum Services	11 -12 pm	10/29/2025 to 11/28/2025
Chapter 33. Special Programs	11/4/2025 8am & 4pm	11/4/2025 to 12/4/2025
Chapter 07. Student Rights and Responsibilities	11/6/2025 8am & 4pm	11/6/2025 to 12/6/2025
Chapter 60. Pre-Elementary (Early Childhood) School	11/11/2025 8am & 4pm	11/11/2025 to 12/11/2025
Chapter 67. Virtual Education Consortium	11/13/2025 8am & 4pm	11/13/2025 to 12/13/2025
Chapter 31. School Facility Planning and Construction	11/18/2025 8am & 4pm	11/18/2025 to 12/18/2025
Chapter 09. State Support of Schools & Chapter 27. Transportation of Pupils	11/20/2025 8am & 4pm	11/20/2025 to 12/20/2025
Chapter 06. Government of Schools Article 3. Department Reading Program & Article 4. District Reading Intervention Services and Strategies	12/2/2025 8am & 4pm	12/2/2025 to 01/01/2026
Chapter 06. Government of Schools: Article 2. Safe Schools		
Article 5. Prohibition of Sex Discrimination	12/4/2025 8am & 4pm	12/4/2025 to 1/3/2026
Article 6. Statewide Student Assessment Article 7. School and District Accountability		
Chapter 03. State Board of Education		
Chapter 04. Statewide Goals		
Chapter 05. Local Education	12/9/2025 8am & 4pm	12/9/2025 to 1/8/2026
Chapter 06. Government of Schools Article 1. General Administration		
Chapter 52. Education for Children with Disabilities and Gifted	12/11/2025 8am & 4pm	12/11/2025 to 1/10/2026

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Chapter 43. Alaska Performance Scholarship Program	12/16/2025 8am & 4pm	12/16/2025 to 1/15/2026
Chapter 40. Review and Appeals of Actions and Decisions Regarding Funding	12/18/2025 8am & 4pm	12/18/2026 to 1/17/2026

The Attachment: AO360 Stakeholder Feedback is provided. DEED's Recommendations are highlighted in yellow.

There are three tabs that include:

1. DEED Stakeholder Surveys
2. AO360 LAM Surveys & Oral Comments
3. Oral and Email Comments

Section 3: Proposed Regulatory Reform Attachment

The Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) will have Phases/Projects go through two processes to meet AO360 regulatory reform requirements in coordination with the State Board of Education (SBOE) and the Department of Law (DOL). The work to complete APA notice, public comment, and adoption steps for approved packages will be ongoing.

Phase 1: Regulations to be removed; highlighted light blue

January 2026

Finalize inventory of regulations identified for removal. Prepare project briefs and assign drafting responsibilities. Guidance and supporting documentation will be updated to reflect removed regulations.

February 16, 2026

Submit regulations identified for removal to the Department of Law for preliminary review.

Phase 2: Regulations to be revised; highlighted in light orange and green

Phase 2 is split into two waves due to the complexity of certain revisions and the need for adequate review time by DOL and SBOE.

April 20, 2026

Submit regulations identified for revision to the Department of Law for preliminary review. Guidance and supporting documentation will be updated to reflect revised regulations.

Proposed July 2026 – State Board of Education Special Meeting
Board considers and approves revision package.

July 2026

Submit regulations identified for revision to the Department of Law for preliminary review.

October 2026 (TBD) – State Board of Education Meeting

Board considers and approves revision package.

Section 4: Approved Deadline Extensions

Currently, DEED has not requested any extensions to current deadlines.

Section 5: Submission

By signing below, the Commissioner affirms that the Department of Education and Early Development's proposed regulatory reform plan has been thoroughly reviewed and approved. The Commissioner's signature verifies that the plan aligns with AO360 requirements, reflects the Department's priorities for regulatory reduction and revision, and authorizes submission to the Department of Law for preliminary review and subsequent consideration by the State Board of Education.

Sincerely,



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Commissioner

cc: Todd D Smoldon, Director, Governor's Office
Catherine Lujan, Special Assistant, Governor's Office

Enclosures: DEED AO360 Regulation Reform Plan
1. AO360 Stakeholder Feedback
2. AO360 DEED Regulation Reform Plan