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Alaska Department of Education & Early Development
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To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is being submitted in support of the request made by the Alaska Bible College, Department of Elementary Education, for approval of the Alaska Bible College Elementary Education Program. The ultimate goal of the program is to grant a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education, with a focus on preparing students as educators to work with students in Alaska.

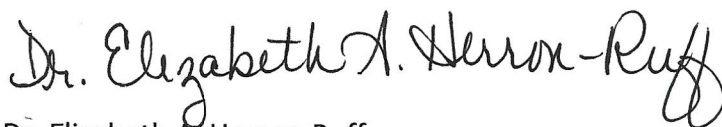
Alaska Bible College (ABC) has a long history of preparing students to serve in various areas with the most recent development that of the Elementary Education Program. ABC holds themselves to a high level of integrity in all their educational programs by seeking and obtaining authorization to operate and accreditation by the appropriate granting organizations. ABC has done this with the development of the Elementary Educational Program.

As someone who has worked with the faculty of ABC, I can attest to their level of genuine dedication and commitment to providing a program that has academic rigor and aligns to recognized educational standards. Each course has been intentionally designed to move students beyond surface learning to deep understanding of the standards. As students move through the course sequence, they truly learn to exemplify the ABC motto of becoming servants who lead with Christlike character.

The need for the Elementary Educational Program cannot be understated. Alaska needs solid educational programs that train students to not only teach but to be able to live successfully in rural Alaska. This is a critical component of the ABC mission. I have held various roles within the Alaska educational system, and the need for teachers with high levels of integrity and sustainability is critical. The ABC program is intentionally designed to train students to be effective educators that can appreciate the Alaskan culture.

I would highly recommend that Alaska Bible College be granted approval for their Elementary Education Program. If you have further questions, please feel free to contact me at the email listed below.

Sincerely,



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