## 2015-16 Consolidated Alliance and Priority School District Application

Directions: Using the space provided below, please identify a main point of contact for the 2015-16 Consolidated Alliance and Priority School District (PSD) application, and provide that individual's contact information.

Local Education Agency: Danbury Public Schools	
FY 16 Alliance District Allocation: \$7,847,721	FY 16 PSD Allocation \$2,056,661
Contact Person: Dr. William R. Glass	Contact Title: Deputy Superintendent
Telephone: (203) 797-4724	Email Address: glassw@danbury.k12.ct.us
Name of Superintendent: Dr. Sal Pascarella	
Signature of Superintendent:	Date: 9/16/15
Name of Board Chair: Mrs. Eileen Alberts	Local Board Approval of Plan (Yes/No): Yes
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#### 2015-16 Talent Priorities

Step 1: Please note that all Alliance Districts must have an educator evaluation plan approved by the CSDE's Talent Office in order to become eligible for AD/PSD plan approval. Districts may choose, but are not required, to pursue additional strategies to strengthen district and school talent systems. Place an "X" beside the district's 2015-16 talent-related reform priorities. Please note that PSDs must spend all of their PSD funding on allowable PSD reform areas.

Please indicate whether the CSDE's Talent Office has approved the district's 2015-16 educator evaluation plan? (Y/N)  Yes				
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**5tep 2:** Identify a core set of strategies to advance the district's talent-related reform priorities (identified in Step 1). Summarize district talent strategies and identify a S.M.A.R.T. goal aligned to each strategy that is specific, measurable, actionable, realistic, and time-bound. S.M.A.R.T. goals will be central to 2015-16 quarterly progress monitoring. Add or remove rows as necessary.

	Talent Priorities:	Aligned SMART Goals:
1.1	1. Continue job-embedded coaching via department heads and math coaches/specialists. As noted in the past, all coaches and department heads have been trained in the Marzano Model of Effective Teaching. Additionally, they have all gone through the Inter-rater Reliability Calibration training. The calibration training is ongoing and once again will continue so as to ensure that all coaches and department heads are continuously demonstrating effective observation and data collection skills within a small range of tolerance. These individuals will continue to conduct observations, provide diagnostic feedback, conduct model lessons, provide detailed information on new curricula and assessment initiatives, and will serve to coach teachers on an ongoing basis as determined by the growth or lack there of as evidenced by ongoing instructional rounds, formative observations, and/or coaching sessions requested by a given teacher/administrator. Heavy emphasis will be place upon the Board of Education's Strategic Plan priority goals to ensure vertical and horizontal alignment. Given the implementation of universal full day kindergarten, the district will continue all K Level PLC's to ensure that those teachers who now have full day sessions will make the best use of this time. Pacing charts, daily schedules, and weekly and monthly guidance to the use of time will be provided. A new component will focus on the Board's Coherence Plan goals of Problem Solving Strategies and Argumentative Writing using evidence. All previously noted educators have also participated in the Cognitive Coaching training program by Art Costa. All evaluation enhancement targets will be aligned to the Board's, Superintendent's, and Deputy Superintendent's goals. The role of the department head positions is as follows: Essential Job Functions - The following articulated roles and responsibilities are conceived of as operating in collaboration with the high school and middle school administrative teams, and the respective district administrator, recogni	-
1,2	Continue the phasing in of the Marzano Protocol and inter-rater reliability training to build greater internal instructional coherence including an internal Evaluation Validator who will continue to work in a side-by-side manner with evaluators and observers to promote Inter-rater reliability via the calibration process. The Evaluation Validator will again serve as the head trainer for all new administrative and teacher level hires. This initiative proved to be our most successful professional development effort with regard to inter-rater efficacy.	Teacher observation and summative evaluation ratings and claibration ratings for all administrators will reflect 95% inter-rater relliability. 100% of new certified hires will be trained in the district's evaluation plan and the related Marzano model.
1.3	As the district has done in the past, prior to writing any curriculum all participants must attend an intensive multi-session Curriculum Boot Camp in which they learn how to write curricula in the "Danbury manner." At Boot Camp the participants are taught to write curricula that follows a common template that includes CCSS as appropriate. Boot Camp is facilitated by our district's Curriculum Administrators who have all had extensive training on the CCSS.	100% of participating teachers can demonstrate mastery of the district's curriculum writing model 100% adherence to the district's curriculum writing model as evidenced by peer and administrative review
1.4	Continue the position of Associate Principal of Instruction (API) for the middle schools. This position is responsible for promoting increased alignment between the district's middle school with an emphasis on: curriculum alignment, fidelity of implementation of all curricula, creation and implementation of benchmark assessments and other formative assessments, data analysis, strategic planning, facilitating PLCs, conducting teacher observations and evaluations, and promoting the effective implementation of research-based instructional practices. The ongoing expected outcome from this position is to realize increased alignment and coherence between and among the district's middle schools, achieve greater fidelity of curricular implementation, enhanced data-driven decision-making, and improved support to identified teachers with an	Review of API's performance concerns and successes at biweekly meetings Review of API's performance via formative observations Review of API's performance as detailed in the summative evaluation Rating of at least highly proficient (applying) on summative evaluation
	Maintain an increased effort to recruit high quality minority educators for teaching and leadership positions. The district is currently exploring the possibility of hiring a recently retired minority principal who can serve as the chief recruiter for the district. We will also participate in minority recruitment fairs, continue advertising in publications that are of particular interest to the various minority communities, and recruit at traditionally black and Hispanic colleges and universities. Additionally, as a recipient of a minority teacher recruitment grant we will deepen the partnership with Western Connecticut State University to intensify efforts to develop a minority teacher pipeline. We will identify minority high school students who are potentially interested in becoming teachers. We will offer a year-long mentoring initiative for Danbury High School students that will involve WCSU students who will attend a special university course that has been developed to support this initiative. Lastly, we will work with the Upward Bound program at the university as a primary feeder system of potential minority applicants for this initiative.	5% of new hires will represent a minority group. Given that the district has not been able to achieve this target in the recent past, the 5% goal is appropriate.

Step 3: Directions: Identify talent-related expenditures aligned to the strategies outlined above. Provide a line-item budget, separating expenditures by ED 114 cost categories, adding rows as necessary. Provide the following information for each line item: (a) cost, position, or service; (b) alignment to talent strategies outlined in Part I; (c) detailed budget justification and cost basis (e.g., cost structure, unit cost, number of units); and (d) total use of Alliance District funding for the particular cost.

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#### 2015-16 Academic Priorities

Step 1: Place an "X" beside the district's 2015-16 academic-related reform priorities. Please note that PSDs must spend all of their PSD funding on allowable PSD reform areas and at least 20 percent of PSD funds promoting early literacy.

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х	Common Core-aligned curriculum transition		Alternative/Transitional programs
x	Assessment systems	х	Full-day kindergarten
	Supports for special populations		Pre-kindergarten
	SRBI and academic interventions	x	Pre-K - Grade 3 literacy
	College and career access		Instructional technology
	High school redesign		Other:

Step 2: Identify a core set of strategies to advance the district's academic-related reform priorities (identified in Step 1). Summarize district academic strategies and identify a S.M.A.R.T. goal aligned to each strategy that is specific, measurable, actionable, realistic, and time-bound. S.M.A.R.T. goals will be central to 2015-16 quarterly progress monitoring. Add or remove rows as necessary.

	Academic Priorities:	Aligned SMART Goals:
2.1	Implement the 2015-2016 phase of new curricular development and related assessments. The district will implement STAR for the first time for the 2015-2016 school year. The district will continue placing increased emphasis on our English Language Learners since they are our least successful group of students with regard to achievement test performance. To this end, additional regular education teachers will be trained in the SIOP model.	Feedback from field tests regarding the viability of the newly developed materials will be solicited with at least 90% of participants indicating that they have been appropriately trained in the new curricula and are implementing it with fidelity. The district will adhere to the newly adopted assessment calendar with 100% fidelity. The performance of ELL teachers will continue to be monitored by the Curriculum Administrator for ELL Services via the district's approve Teacher Evaluation/PD Plan and the LAS Links and all othe appropriate assessments as articulated on the district's Assessmen Matrix. 100% of ELL teachers will demonstrate a summative evaluation rating of at least Proficiency (applying). ELL students will be tracked via the newly developed benchmark assessments to determine growth over time.
2.2.	Continue the process of enhancing the viability and increase the robustness and use of the district's assessment process with an emphasis on cleansing data, data driven decision-making, and data reporting using the new STAR assessment tool. The STAR assessment will be used as a benchmarking and summative evaluation tool, analyzed via the grade level or departmental data team meetings, used to inform curriculum modifications as well as to identify additional professional development needs. This information will then be used as the basis for upcoming PLC's.	Continue the process of reviewing all newly developed protocols, products, and instructional artifacts and ensure that at least 80% of participants indicate a deep understanding of the new methodology and implementation requirements of STAR as measured by their relative ability to effectively implement that various aspects of the technology as determined by the external trainers.
2.3.	Maintain universal full day kindergarten programming and ensure that all kindergarten teachers are demonstrating the appropriate level of performance quality. Kindergarten students will demonstrate improved readiness for learning with regard to academics, behavior, and socialization.	100% of kindergarten teachers will demonstrate a Proficiency rating (applying) on their respective summative eveluations.
	All K-3 classrooms will continue to deliver a CCSS aligned curriculum utilizing the balanced literacy model. The Teachers College Units of Study for Reading and Writing will serve as the main delivery method for balanced literacy as will the district developed literacy curriculum and related assessments. Phonological awareness, Concepts of Print, Guided Reading, etc. will be implemented as well as the strategies contained within the Read 180 program for grad 6 and the STAR strategies for grades K-5 and above.  Grade level teams will continue to review assessment results, and tier 2 and 3 groups will be created/designed.	100% of teachers will deliver the district curricula as measured by the TEVAL observation process and lesson plan reviews. 100% of teachers will engage in the SRBI process including the development of Tier 2 and Tier 3 strategies and will fully implement all new strategies as measured by the TEVAL observation process and reviews by principals of the overall nature and effectiveness of interventions at grade level or departmental data team meetings.
	A list of strategies will once again be recommended for tiers 2 and 3 and Language Arts Specialists, along with other support staff, will support tier 1 implementation and delivery of tiers 2 and 3.	

Step 3: Identify academic-related expenditures aligned to the strategies outlined above. Provide a line-item budget, separating expenditures by ED 114 cost categories, adding rows as necessary. Provide the following information for each line item: (a) cost, position, or service; (b) alignment to talent strategies outlined in Part I; (c) detailed budget justification and cost basis (e.g., cost structure, unit cost, number of units); (d) total use of Alliance District funding for the particular cost; and (e) total use of PSD funding for the particular cost.

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Summer School Programs	2,4	Summer School for our middle and high school students to earn additional credits	\$	150,000.00	\$ -
Kindergarden Teachers	2.3	Kindergarden Teachers 10 FTE's in all of our 11 elementary schools.	\$	-	\$ 1,000,000.00
SIOP coaches	2.1	5.0 FTE SIOP coaches work at the secondary level to support intruction	\$	407,000.00	
ELL teachers	2.1	ELL Teachers FTE 10 teaching at Danbury High School, Rogers Park, Broadview and Park Ave	\$	200,000.00	\$ 450,000.00

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#### 2015-16 Culture and Climate Priorities

Step 1: Place an "X" beside the district's 2015-16 climate-related reform priorities. Districts may choose, but are not required, to pursue strategies to strengthen district and school climate.	Please
note that Alliance Districts with a 2013-14 chronic absenteeism rate exceeding 10 percent must pursue strategies to decrease chronic absenteeism.	

х	Attendance/Chronic absenteeism	ж	Graduation/Dropout prevention
x	Behavior management	x	Family engagement
	Wraparound services		Other:

Step 2: Identify a core set of strategies to advance the district's culture and climate-related reform priorities (identified in Step 1). Summarize district climate strategies and identify a S.M.A.R.T. goal aligned to each strategy that is specific, measurable, actionable, realistic, and time-bound. S.M.A.R.T. goals will be central to 2015-16 quarterly progress monitoring. Add or remove rows as necessary.

	Culture and Climate Priorities:	Aligned SMART Goals:
3.	Maintain the process of identifying students who are at risk of dropping out with chronic attendance problems. Provide intervention services to identified students and their families. Also provide intervention services to students who are failing two or more courses. Deans of students will work with identified families including the families of special needs students as well as regular education students. The Director of Special Services as well as the Supervisor of Secondary Special Education will work closely with the school leadership teams at both the high school and the alternative high school to identified appropriate Tier 2 and the Tier 3 interventions. A key component in this work will be the role of the interventionists who will be assigned to the Tutoring Center and/or to identified students in order to provide supplemental support aligned to deficit areas of academic growth based upon the data sets generated by the Data Teams. Substitutes will be used to cover teachers when they are attending PLC's on the topics of appropriate academic and behavioral interventions.	Demonstrate a 20% reduction of students demonstrating attendance problems based upon the district's data analysis of regular education and special education students over the past three years.  Demonstrate a 5% reduction in the number of students failing two or more courses
3.:	. Social Workers - Priority Statement: Social Workers serve to promote the Social Emotional Competencies of all students. In so doing social social workers will asist families, students, school staff and community partners to identify and develop interventions to address and overcome barriers to learning.	Demonstrate a 20% reduction of students demonstrating attendance problems based upon the district's data analysis of regular education and special education students over the past three years.  Demonstrate a 5% reduction in the number of students failing two or more courses.
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Step 3: identify climate-related expenditures aligned to the strategies outlined above. Provide a line-item budget, separating expenditures by ED 114 cost categories, adding rows as necessary. Provide the following information for each line item: (a) cost, position, or service; (b) alignment to talent strategies outlined in Part I; (c) detailed budget justification and cost basis (e.g., cost structure, unit cost, number of units); (d) total use of Alliance District funding for the particular cost; and (e) total use of PSD funding for the particular cost.

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social workers FTE 11.0	3.1	Social workers to support school climate	\$	800,450.00	\$	
School Climate Suport	3.1	Part time adminisation support to help reduce dicpline issues at Danbury High School, Rogers Park and Broadview.	\$	90,000.00	\$	
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#### 2015-16 Operations Priorities

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Budgeting and financial management School operations Technology integration		Student enrollment processes Extended learning time Other: Grant Writer: Supplemental Funding/ Resource Development

Step 2: Identify a core set of strategies to advance the district's operations-related reform priorities (identified in Step 1). Summarize district climate strategies and identify a S.M.A.R.T. goal aligned to each strategy that is specific, measurable, actionable, realistic, and time-bound. S.M.A.R.T. goals will be central to the 2015-16 quarterly progress monitoring. Add or remove rows as necessary.

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Step 3: Identify operations-related expenditures aligned to the strategies outlined above. Provide a line-item budget, separating expenditures by ED 114 cost categories, adding rows as necessary. Provide the following information for each line item: (a) cost, position, or service; (b) alignment to talent strategies outlined in Part I; (c) detailed budget justification and cost basis (e.g., cost structure, unit cost, number of units); (d) total use of Alliance District funding for the particular cost.

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#### Non-Reform Budget - Optional Section

Directions: In the event that your district proposes using Alliance District funds for purposes other than new or expanded reforms, summarize such investments below. Provide detailed budget information for proposed non-reform expenditures. Separate expenditures by the ED 114 cost categories.

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### FY 16 AD and PSD Budget Summary

Directions: Do not enter budget information in this tab. This tab pulls financial data from the application tabs and auto-calculates total proposed investments. Please ensure that your total budgeted amounts match your district's AD and PSD allocation amounts.

		alent AD Costs	Academic AD Costs	,	Academic PSD Costs	Cli	mate AD Costs	Climate PSD Costs	Ç	Operations AD Costs	0	costs	Ν	on-Reform AD Costs	TOTAL AD	TOTAL PSD
100: Personnel Services - Salaries	\$	1,783,882.00	\$ 2,457,000.00	\$	1,450,000.00	\$	1,310,285.00	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 5,551,167.00	\$ 1,450,000.00
200: Personnel Services - Benefits	\$	522,075.00	\$ 653,000.00	\$	406,661.00	\$	63,752.00	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 1,238,827.00	\$ 406,661.00
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services	\$	-	\$ 250,000.00	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 250,000.00	\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services	\$	50,000.00	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 50,000.00	\$ -
500: Other Purchased Services	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	•	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -
600: Supplies	\$	50,000.00	\$ 707,727.00	\$	200,000.00	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	_	\$	-	\$ 757,727.00	\$ 200,000.00
700: Property	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -
800: Other Objects	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$ -	\$ -
TOTALS	: \$	2,405,957.00	\$ 4,067,727.00	\$	2,056,661.00	\$	1,374,037.00	\$ -	\$	=	\$	-	\$	-	\$ 7,847,721.00	\$ 2,056,661.00



# **Appendix A. Statement of Assurances**

# CONNECTICUT STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION STANDARD STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES | GRANT PROGRAMS

PROJECT TITLE:	2015-16 Alliance and Priority School District Consolidated Application								
THE APPLICANT:	Salvatore Pascarella	HEREBY ASSURES THAT:							
	Danbury								
	(insert Agency	/School/CBO Name)							

- A. The applicant has the necessary legal authority to apply for and receive the proposed grant;
- B. The filing of this application has been authorized by the applicant's governing body, and the undersigned official has been duly authorized to file this application for and on behalf of said applicant, and otherwise to act as the authorized representative of the applicant in connection with this application;
- C. The activities and services for which assistance is sought under this grant will be administered by or under the supervision and control of the applicant;
- The project will be operated in compliance with all applicable state and federal laws and in compliance with regulations and other policies and administrative directives of the State Board of Education and the Connecticut State Department of Education;
- E. Grant funds shall not be used to supplant funds normally budgeted by the agency;
- F. Fiscal control and accounting procedures will be used to ensure proper disbursement of all funds awarded;
- G. The applicant will submit a final project report (within 60 days of the project completion) and such other reports, as specified, to the Connecticut State Department of Education, including information relating to the project records and access thereto as the Connecticut State Department of Education may find necessary;
- H. The Connecticut State Department of Education reserves the exclusive right to use and grant the right to use and/or publish any part or parts of any summary, abstract, reports, publications, records and materials resulting from this project and this grant;
- I. If the project achieves the specified objectives, every reasonable effort will be made to continue the project and/or implement the results after the termination of state/federal funding;
- J. The applicant will protect and save harmless the State Board of Education from financial loss and expense, including legal fees and costs, if any, arising out of any breach of the duties, in whole or part, described in the application for the grant;
- K. At the conclusion of each grant period, the applicant will provide for an independent audit report acceptable to the grantor in accordance with Sections 7-394a and 7-396a of the Connecticut General Statutes, and the applicant shall return to the Connecticut State Department of Education any moneys not expended in accordance with the approved program/operation budget as determined by the audit;



#### L. REQUIRED LANGUAGE (NON-DISCRIMINATION)

References in this section to "contract" shall mean this grant agreement and to "contractor" shall mean the Grantee.

- (a) For purposes of this Section, the following terms are defined as follows:
  - i. "Commission" means the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities;
  - ii. "Contract" and "contract" include any extension or modification of the Contract or contract;
  - iii. "Contractor" and "contractor" include any successors or assigns of the Contractor or contractor;
  - iv. "Gender identity or expression" means a person's gender-related identity, appearance or behavior, whether or not that gender-related identity, appearance or behavior is different from that traditionally associated with the person's physiology or assigned sex at birth, which gender-related identity can be shown by providing evidence including, but not limited to, medical history, care or treatment of the gender-related identity, consistent and uniform assertion of the gender-related identity or any other evidence that the gender-related identity is sincerely held, part of a person's core identity or not being asserted for an improper purpose;
  - v. "good faith" means that degree of diligence which a reasonable person would exercise in the performance of legal duties and obligations;
  - vi. "good faith efforts" shall include, but not be limited to, those reasonable initial efforts necessary to comply with statutory or regulatory requirements and additional or substituted efforts when it is determined that such initial efforts will not be sufficient to comply with such requirements;
  - vii. "marital status" means being single, married as recognized by the state of Connecticut, widowed, separated or divorced;
  - viii. "mental disability" means one or more mental disorders, as defined in the most recent edition of the American Psychiatric Association's "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders", or a record of or regarding a person as having one or more such disorders;
  - ix. "minority business enterprise" means any small contractor or supplier of materials fifty-one percent or more of the capital stock, if any, or assets of which is owned by a person or persons: (1) who are active in the daily affairs of the enterprise, (2) who have the power to direct the management and policies of the enterprise, and (3) who are members of a minority, as such term is defined in subsection (a) of Connecticut General Statutes § 32-9n; and
  - x. "public works contract" means any agreement between any individual, firm or corporation and the State or any political subdivision of the State other than a municipality for construction, rehabilitation, conversion, extension, demolition or repair of a public building, highway or other changes or improvements in real property, or which is financed in whole or in part by the State, including, but not limited to, matching expenditures, grants, loans, insurance or guarantees.

For purposes of this Section, the terms "Contract" and "contract" do not include a contract where each contractor is (1) a political subdivision of the state, including, but not limited to, a municipality, (2) a quasipublic agency, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 1-120, (3) any other state, including but not limited to any federally recognized Indian tribal governments, as defined in Conn. Gen. Stat. Section 1-267, (4) the federal government, (5) a foreign government, or (6) an agency of a subdivision, agency, state or government described in the immediately preceding enumerated items (1), (2), (3), (4) or (5).

(b) (1) The Contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Contract such Contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, mental retardation, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is



shown by such Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or of the State of Connecticut; and the Contractor further agrees to take affirmative action to insure that applicants with job-related qualifications are employed and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their race, color, religious creed, age, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sex, gender identity or expression, mental retardation, mental disability or physical disability, including, but not limited to, blindness, unless it is shown by the Contractor that such disability prevents performance of the work involved; (2) the Contractor agrees, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the Contractor, to state that it is an "affirmative action-equal opportunity employer" in accordance with regulations adopted by the Commission; (3) the Contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which the Contractor has a collective bargaining Agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which the Contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission, advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this section and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment; (4) the Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes §§ 46a-68e and 46a-68f and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes §§ 46a-56, 46a-68e and 46a-68f; and (5) the Contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the Contractor as relate to the provisions of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56. If the contract is a public works contract, the Contractor agrees and warrants that he will make good faith efforts to employ minority business enterprises as subcontractors and suppliers of materials on such public works projects.

- (c) Determination of the Contractor's good faith efforts shall include, but shall not be limited to, the following factors: The Contractor's employment and subcontracting policies, patterns and practices; affirmative advertising, recruitment and training; technical assistance activities and such other reasonable activities or efforts as the Commission may prescribe that are designed to ensure the participation of minority business enterprises in public works projects.
- (d) The Contractor shall develop and maintain adequate documentation, in a manner prescribed by the Commission, of its good faith efforts.
- (e) The Contractor shall include the provisions of subsection (b) of this Section in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the State and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the Commission. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes §46a-56; provided if such Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the Commission, the Contractor may request the State of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the State and the State may so enter.
- (f) The Contractor agrees to comply with the regulations referred to in this Section as they exist on the date of this Contract and as they may be adopted or amended from time to time during the term of this Contract and any amendments thereto.
- (g) (1) The Contractor agrees and warrants that in the performance of the Contract such Contractor will not discriminate or permit discrimination against any person or group of persons on the grounds of sexual



orientation, in any manner prohibited by the laws of the United States or the State of Connecticut, and that employees are treated when employed without regard to their sexual orientation; (2) the Contractor agrees to provide each labor union or representative of workers with which such Contractor has a collective bargaining Agreement or other contract or understanding and each vendor with which such Contractor has a contract or understanding, a notice to be provided by the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities advising the labor union or workers' representative of the Contractor's commitments under this section, and to post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment; (3) the Contractor agrees to comply with each provision of this section and with each regulation or relevant order issued by said Commission pursuant to Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56; and (4) the Contractor agrees to provide the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities with such information requested by the Commission, and permit access to pertinent books, records and accounts, concerning the employment practices and procedures of the Contractor which relate to the provisions of this Section and Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56.

- (h) The Contractor shall include the provisions of the foregoing paragraph in every subcontract or purchase order entered into in order to fulfill any obligation of a contract with the State and such provisions shall be binding on a subcontractor, vendor or manufacturer unless exempted by regulations or orders of the Commission. The Contractor shall take such action with respect to any such subcontract or purchase order as the Commission may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions including sanctions for noncompliance in accordance with Connecticut General Statutes § 46a-56; provided, if such Contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the Commission, the Contractor may request the State of Connecticut to enter into any such litigation or negotiation prior thereto to protect the interests of the State and the State may so enter.
- M. The grant award is subject to approval of the Connecticut State Department of Education and availability of state or federal funds.
- N. The applicant agrees and warrants that Sections 4-190 to 4-197, inclusive, of the Connecticut General Statutes concerning the Personal Data Act and Sections 10-4-8 to 10-4-10, inclusive, of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies promulgated there under are hereby incorporated by reference.

I, the undersigned authorized	official; hereby certify that these assurances shall be fully implemented.
Superintendent Signature:	Sell alle
Name: (typed)	Salvatore Pascarella
Title: (typed)	Superintendent of Schools
Date:	August 31, 2015