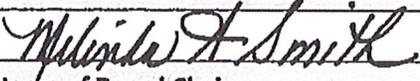
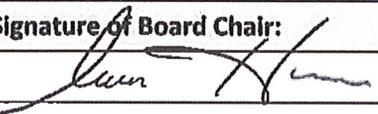


## 2017-18 Consolidated Alliance and Priority School District Application

Directions: Using the space provided below, please identify a main point of contact for the 2017-18 Consolidated Alliance and Priority School District (PSD) application, and provide that individual's contact information.

<b>Local Education Agency:</b>		
Thompson Public Schools		
<b>FY 2018 Alliance District Allocation:</b>	<b>FY 2018 PSD Allocation (if applicable):</b>	
\$400,000.00		
<b>Contact Person:</b>	<b>Contact Title:</b>	
Ian Polun	Curriculum Director	
<b>Telephone:</b>	<b>E-mail Address:</b>	
860-923-9581	ipolun@thompsonpublicschools.org	
<b>Name of Superintendent:</b>		
Melinda A. Smith		
<b>Signature of Superintendent:</b>		<b>Date:</b>
		01/16/18
<b>Name of Board Chair:</b>	<b>Local Board Approval of Plan (Yes/No):</b>	
William Witkowski	Yes	
<b>Signature of Board Chair:</b>		<b>Date:</b>
		01/16/18

**I. Talent Priorities**

**Step 1: 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 2017-18 talent-related reform priorities. Please note that PSDs must spend all of their PSD funding on allowable PSD reform areas.**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Recruitment and human capital pipelines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Instructional coaching
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hiring and placement processes	<input type="checkbox"/>	District/school leadership development
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Professional learning	<input type="checkbox"/>	Retention of top talent
<input type="checkbox"/>	Evaluation	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: _____

**Step 2: Identify a core set of no more than three 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 (ie., specific, measurable, actionable, realistic, and time-bound) that is aligned to each strategy. If Smarter Balanced scores are relevant to the strategy, this assessment must be used for goal-setting purposes. S.M.A.R.T. goals will be central to 2017-18 progress monitoring.**

Talent Priorities:		Aligned SMART Goals:
1.1.	Thompson Public Schools will provide professional development by a consultant from EASTCONN for district personnel to support instruction of ELA and Math Connecticut Core State Standards (CCS). This professional learning will include a facilitated study and unpacking of the CCS ELA standards as well as the CCS standards of mathematical practice.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, the DPI for math will increase from 56.5 in 2016-17 to 57.9 in 2017-18 and the DPI for ELA will increase from 62.1 in 2016-17 to 63.1 in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, the average percentage of target achieved in ELA will increase from 55.7% in 2016-17 to 59.1% in 2017-18 and from 58.9% in 2016-17 to 62.1% in 2017-18 in Mathematics.
1.2		
1.3		

**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. Provide the following information for each line item: (a) cost, position, or service; (b) alignment to talent strategies outlined in Step 2; (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.

Cost:	Alignment:	Description:	AD Investment:
<b>100: Personnel Services - Salaries</b>			
Two permanent substitute teachers for coverage of teacher leaders	1.1	FTE x 2 at Thompson Middle School. Anticipated salary of \$27,000/FTE each.	\$ 54,000.00
			\$ -
<b>100: Personnel Services - Salaries Subtotal:</b>			<b>\$ 54,000.00</b>
<b>200: Personnel Services - Benefits</b>			
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>200: Personnel Services - Benefits Subtotal:</b>			<b>\$ -</b>
<b>300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services</b>			
Connecticut Core Standards Professional Learning Consultant	1.1	Anticipated professional learning leadership for work in Grades 5-8.	\$ 30,000.00
Substitute Coverage	1.1	Coverage needed for pulling groups of teachers for job-embedded professional learning time.	\$ 8,000.00
			\$ -
<b>300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services Subtotal:</b>			<b>\$ 38,000.00</b>
<b>400: Purchased Property Services</b>			
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>400: Purchased Property Services Subtotal:</b>			<b>\$ -</b>

<b>500: Other Purchased Services</b>			
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>500: Other Purchased Services Subtotal:</b>			\$ -
<b>600: Supplies</b>			
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>600: Supplies Subtotal:</b>			\$ -
<b>700: Property</b>			
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>700: Property Subtotal:</b>			\$ -
<b>800: Other Objects</b>			
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>800: Other Objects Subtotal:</b>			\$ -
<b>TALENT SUB-TOTAL:</b>			\$ 92,000.00

## II. 2017-18 Academic Priorities

Thompson Public Schools

**Step 1: Place an "X" beside the district's 2017-18 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.**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Common Core-aligned curriculum	<input type="checkbox"/>	Full-day kindergarten
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Assessment systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	Pre-Kindergarten
<input type="checkbox"/>	Supports for special populations (eg., EL, SPED)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Pre-K - Grade 3 literacy
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SRBI and academic interventions	<input type="checkbox"/>	Instructional technology
<input type="checkbox"/>	College and career access	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Other: <u>Grade 5-8 literacy</u>
<input type="checkbox"/>	Alternative/transitional programs	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**Step 2: Identify a core set of no more than three 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 (ie., specific, measurable, actionable, realistic, and time-bound) that is aligned to each strategy. If Smarter Balanced scores are relevant to the strategy, this assessment must be used for goal-setting purposes. S.M.A.R.T. goals will be central to 2017-18 progress monitoring.**

Academic Priorities:		Aligned SMART Goals:
2.1.	Embedded Response to Intervention (RTI) Coach: District will staff 1.0 FTE RTI Coach assigned three days per week at Thompson Middle School and two days per week at Mary R Fisher Elementary School. RTI coach will provide on-site professional development for classroom teachers and support personnel to implement data driven intervention protocols, instructional strategies, progress monitoring and tiered service delivery based on best practice.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, the DPI for math will increase from 56.5 in 2016-17 to 57.9 in 2017-18 and the DPI for ELA will increase from 62.1 in 2016-17 to 63.1 in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, the average percentage of target achieved in ELA will increase from 55.7% in 2016-17 to 59.1% in 2017-18 and from 58.9% in 2016-17 to 62.1% in 2017-18 in Mathematics.
2.2.	Smarter Balanced Interim Assessment Support: Teachers in Grades 5-8 will be trained in using the Smarter Balanced Interim Assessment Blocks for monitoring student achievement and growth with respect to the Connecticut Core Standards.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, the DPI for math will increase from 56.5 in 2016-17 to 57.9 in 2017-18 and the DPI for ELA will increase from 62.1 in 2016-17 to 63.1 in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, the average percentage of target achieved in ELA will increase from 55.7% in 2016-17 to 59.1% in 2017-18 and from 58.9% in 2016-17 to 62.1% in 2017-18 in Mathematics.
2.3	Reading Teachers: Thompson Public Schools will hire two additional reading teachers to provide additional instruction and support in Grades K-8.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, the DPI for ELA will increase from 62.1 in 2016-17 to 63.1 in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, the average percentage of target achieved in ELA will increase from 55.7% in 2016-17 to 59.1% in 2017-18.

**Step 3: Identify academic-related expenditures aligned to the strategies outlined above. Provide a line-item budget, separating expenditures by ED 114 cost categories. Provide the following information for each line item: (a) cost, position, or service; (b) alignment to academic strategies outlined in Step 2; (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.**

<b>Cost:</b>	<b>Alignment:</b>	<b>Description:</b>	<b>AD Investment:</b>	<b>PSD Investment:</b>
<b>100: Personnel Services - Salaries</b>				
RTI Coach	2.1	RTI coach will be hired to develop and implement a revised and sustainable SRBI process in the elementary and middle schools.	\$ 35,000.00	\$ -
Two Reading Teachers	2.3	Reading teachers will provide instruction and support for students in Grades K-8.	\$ 70,000.00	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>100: Personnel Services - Salaries Subtotal:</b>			<b>\$ 105,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>200: Personnel Services - Benefits</b>				
RTI Coach	2.1	RTI coach will be hired to develop and implement a revised and sustainable SRBI process in the elementary and middle schools.	\$ 15,000.00	\$ -
Two Reading Teachers	2.3	Reading teachers will provide instruction and support for students in Grades K-8.	\$ 30,000.00	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>200: Personnel Services - Benefits Subtotal:</b>			<b>\$ 45,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services</b>				
Substitute coverage	2.2	Substitutes will be hired to cover teachers that are providing training and support for approx. 50 (FTE) days.	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services Subtotal:</b>			<b>\$ 5,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>
<b>400: Purchased Property Services</b>				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>400: Purchased Property Services Subtotal:</b>			<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

500: Other Purchased Services				
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<b>500: Other Purchased Services Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
600: Supplies				
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<b>600: Supplies Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
700: Property				
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<b>700: Property Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
800: Other Objects				
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			\$ -	\$ -
<b>800: Other Objects Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
<b>ACADEMICS SUB-TOTAL:</b>			\$ 155,000.00	\$ -

### III. 2017-18 Culture and Climate Priorities

Thompson Public Schools

**Step 1: Place an "X" beside the district's 2017-18 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 2017-18 chronic absenteeism rate exceeding 10 percent must pursue strategies to decrease chronic absenteeism.**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Attendance/Chronic absenteeism	<input type="checkbox"/>	Graduation/dropout prevention/on-track for graduation
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Suspension rate	<input type="checkbox"/>	Family engagement
<input type="checkbox"/>	Wraparound services	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: _____

**Step 2: Identify a core set of no more than three strategies to advance the district's climate-related reform priorities (identified in Step 1). Summarize district climate strategies and identify a S.M.A.R.T. goal (ie., specific, measurable, actionable, realistic, and time-bound) that is aligned to each strategy. If Smarter Balanced scores are relevant to the strategy, this assessment must be used for goal-setting purposes. S.M.A.R.T. goals will be central to 2017-18 progress monitoring.**

Culture and Climate Priorities:		Aligned SMART Goals:
3.1.	Thompson Public Schools will develop, research, and begin to implement alternative strategies in providing students with alternatives with discipline practices using restorative justice.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, student chronic absenteeism will decrease from 8.3% in 2016-17 to 8.0% in 2017-18.
3.2.	Based on the research that demonstrates the benefits of implementation of mindfulness in schools, Thompson Public Schools will consult with mindfulness/mental health consultants to provide direct mindfulness and/or meditation practices into the school day. This implementation will also include the training of designated staff to implement mindfulness techniques and strategies throughout the curriculum and school activities. Mindfulness practices will provide continued and sustainable supports for the students to be successful academically and socially, reducing stress and increasing time on task.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, student chronic absenteeism will decrease from 8.3% in 2016-17 to 8.0% in 2017-18.
3.3.		

**Step 3: Identify climate-related expenditures aligned to the strategies outlined above. Provide a line-item budget, separating expenditures by ED 114 cost categories. Provide the following information for each line item: (a) cost, position, or service; (b) alignment to culture and climate strategies outlined in Step 2; (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.**

<b>Cost:</b>	<b>Alignment:</b>	<b>Description:</b>	<b>AD Investment:</b>	<b>PSD Investment:</b>
<b>100: Personnel Services - Salaries</b>				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>100: Personnel Services - Salaries Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
<b>200: Personnel Services - Benefits</b>				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>200: Personnel Services - Benefits Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
<b>300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services</b>				
Mindfulness consultant and staff training	3.2	Consultants to provide direct services, as well as the train designated staff to implement mindfulness techniques.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
Staff training in restorative justice practices	3.1	Consultants to provide direct training of staff to implement restorative justice techniques.	\$ 10,000.00	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services Subtotal:</b>			\$ 20,000.00	\$ -
<b>400: Purchased Property Services</b>				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>400: Purchased Property Services Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -

<b>500: Other Purchased Services</b>						
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
<b>500: Other Purchased Services Subtotal:</b>			\$	-	\$	-
<b>600: Supplies</b>						
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
<b>600: Supplies Subtotal:</b>			\$	-	\$	-
<b>700: Property</b>						
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
<b>700: Property Subtotal:</b>			\$	-	\$	-
<b>800: Other Objects</b>						
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
<b>800: Other Objects Subtotal:</b>			\$	-	\$	-
<b>CULTURE AND CLIMATE SUB-TOTAL:</b>			\$	<b>20,000.00</b>	\$	-

**IV. 2017-18 Operations Priorities**

**Thompson Public Schools**

**Step 1: Place an "X" beside the district's 2017-18 operations-related reform priorities. Districts may choose, but are not required, to pursue strategies to strengthen district and school operations.**

<input type="checkbox"/>	Budgeting and financial management	<input type="checkbox"/>	Student enrollment processes
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	School operations	<input type="checkbox"/>	Extended learning time
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Technology integration	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: _____

**Step 2: Identify a core set of no more than three strategies to advance the district's operations-related reform priorities (identified in Step 1). Summarize district operations strategies and identify a S.M.A.R.T. goal (ie., specific, measurable, actionable, realistic, and time-bound) that is aligned to each strategy. If Smarter Balanced scores are relevant to the strategy, this assessment must be used for goal-setting purposes. S.M.A.R.T. goals will be central to 2017-18 progress monitoring.**

Operations Priorities:		Aligned SMART Goals:
4.1.	Technology Integration- Purchase chromebooks to support the implementation of the TPS Technology Plan and 1:1 initiative in Grades 5-8 as a means to engage our students as active users of technology. This purchase will also allow our teachers to make regular use of the Smarter Balanced Interim Assessment Blocks to monitor student progress.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, the DPI for math will increase from 56.5 in 2016-17 to 57.9 in 2017-18 and the DPI for ELA will increase from 62.1 in 2016-17 to 63.1 in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, the average percentage of target achieved in ELA will increase from 55.7% in 2016-17 to 59.1% in 2017-18 and from 58.9% in 2016-17 to 62.1% in 2017-18 in Mathematics.
4.2.		

Step 3: Identify operations-related expenditures aligned to the strategies outlined above. Provide a line-item budget, separating expenditures by ED 114 cost categories. Provide the following information for each line item: (a) cost, position, or service; (b) alignment to operations 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.

Cost:	Alignment:	Description:	AD Investment:	PSD Investment:
<b>100: Personnel Services - Salaries</b>				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>100: Personnel Services - Salaries Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
<b>200: Personnel Services - Benefits</b>				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>200: Personnel Services - Benefits Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
<b>300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services</b>				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
<b>400: Purchased Property Services</b>				
				\$ -
				\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>400: Purchased Property Services Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -

<b>500: Other Purchased Services</b>				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>500: Other Purchased Services Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
<b>600: Supplies</b>				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>600: Supplies Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
<b>700: Property</b>				
330 Chromebooks and licenses	4.1	Purchase Chromebooks to support 1:1 initiative in Grades 5-8.	\$ 87,000.00	\$ -
11 Chromebook charging carts	4.1	Purchase charging carts to support 1:1 devices in Grades 5-8.	\$ 11,000.00	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>700: Property Subtotal:</b>			\$ 98,000.00	\$ -
<b>800: Other Objects</b>				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
<b>800: Other Objects Subtotal:</b>			\$ -	\$ -
<b>OPERATIONS SUB-TOTAL:</b>			\$ 98,000.00	\$ -

## V. 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.

Cost:	Alignment:	Description:	AD Investment:
<b>100: Personnel Services - Salaries</b>			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>100: Personnel Services - Salaries Subtotal:</b>			\$ -
<b>200: Personnel Services - Benefits</b>			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>200: Personnel Services - Benefits Subtotal:</b>			\$ -
<b>300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services</b>			
Alliance Plan Operations Management	All	Funding set aside for overtime services necessary to administer alliance plan details.	\$ 5,000.00
Operations and Instructional Audit	All	Funding supports the needs assessment of our district in order to determine further plan priorities.	\$ 30,000.00
			\$ -
<b>300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services Subtotal:</b>			\$ 35,000.00
<b>400: Purchased Property Services</b>			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>400: Purchased Property Services Subtotal:</b>			\$ -

500: Other Purchased Services			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>500: Other Purchased Services Subtotal:</b>			\$ -
600: Supplies			
			\$ -
			\$ -
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<b>600: Supplies Subtotal:</b>			\$ -
700: Property			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>700: Property Subtotal:</b>			\$ -
800: Other Objects			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
<b>800: Other Objects Subtotal:</b>			\$ -
<b>NON-REFORM SUB-TOTAL:</b>			\$ 35,000.00

**VI. FY '18 AD and PSD Budget Summary**

**Thompson Public Schools**

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.

	Talent AD Costs	Academic AD Costs	Academic PSD Costs	Climate AD Costs	Climate PSD Costs	Operations AD Costs	Operations PSD Costs	Non-Reform AD Costs	TOTAL AD	TOTAL PSD
100: Personnel Services - Salaries	\$ 54,000.00	\$ 105,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 159,000.00	\$ -
200: Personnel Services - Benefits	\$ -	\$ 45,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 45,000.00	\$ -
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services	\$ 38,000.00	\$ 5,000.00	\$ -	\$ 20,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 35,000.00	\$ 98,000.00	\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
500: Other Purchased Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
600: Supplies	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
700: Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 98,000.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 98,000.00	\$ -
800: Other Objects	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTALS:</b>	<b>\$ 92,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 155,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 20,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 98,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 35,000.00</b>	<b>\$ 400,000.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>

**STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES**

**CONNECTICUT STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION  
STANDARD STATEMENT OF ASSURANCES  
GRANT PROGRAMS**

**PROJECT TITLE:** 2017-18 Consolidated Alliance and Priority School District  
Application

**THE APPLICANT:** Melinda A. Smith **HEREBY ASSURES THAT:**  
Thompson Public Schools  
(insert LEA 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;
- D. 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:
- (1) "Commission" means the Commission on Human Rights and Opportunities;
  - (2) "Contract" and "contract" include any extension or modification of the Contract or contract;
  - (3) "Contractor" and "contractor" include any successors or assigns of the Contractor or contractor;
  - (4) "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.
  - (5) "good faith" means that degree of diligence which a reasonable person would exercise in the performance of legal duties and obligations;
  - (6) "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;
  - (7) "marital status" means being single, married as recognized by the state of Connecticut, widowed, separated or divorced;
  - (8) "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;
  - (9) "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

(10) "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 quasi-public 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, intellectual disability, 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, intellectual disability, 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:

  
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Melinda A. Smith, M.Ed.

Name: *(typed)*

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Superintendent

Title: *(typed)*

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January 16, 2018

Date: