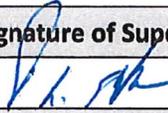
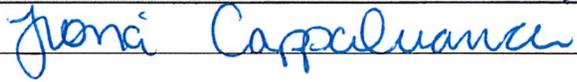


2017-18 Consolidated Alliance and Priority School District Application

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.

Local Education Agency:	
Torrington Board of Education – Torrington Public Schools	
FY 2018 Alliance District Allocation:	FY 2018 PSD Allocation (if applicable):
\$549,522.00	
Contact Person:	Contact Title:
Denise L. Clemons	Superintendent
Telephone:	E-mail Address:
(860) 489-2327	dclemons@torrington.org
Name of Superintendent:	
Denise L. Clemons	
Signature of Superintendent:	Date:
	4/24/18
Name of Board Chair:	Local Board Approval of Plan (Yes/No):
Fiona Cappabianca	No
Signature of Board Chair:	Date:
	4/13/18

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Recruitment and human capital pipelines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Instructional coaching
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Hiring and placement processes	<input type="checkbox"/>	District/school leadership development
<input 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.	Embedded Literacy & Mathematic Coaching: District will staff two Literacy Coaches and two Mathematic Coaches. Coaches will work with the Asst. Superintendent and Principals to create and implement a three day coaching cycle, ensuring that teachers receive some form of coaching over the school year. All Coaches will provide instructional coaching, PD, model lessons and co-taught lessons. All Coaches will receive five trainings from EdAdvance on a Workshop Model training during the 2017-18 school year.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, increase the District Performance Index (DPI) for ELA from 62.5% in 2016-17 to 63.5% in 2017-18 and in Math from 54.4% in 2016-17 to 56% in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, improve the Average Percentage of Target Achieved for ELA from 47.3% in 2016-17 to 51.4% in 2017-18 and in Mathematics from 48% in 2016-17 to 52% 2017-18.
1.2.	TEAM Mentoring: District will provide nine TEAM Mentors for staff that are currently completing the TEAM Modules.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, increase the District Performance Index (DPI) for ELA from 62.5% in 2016-17 to 63.5% in 2017-18 and in Math from 54.4% in 2016-17 to 56% in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, improve the Average Percentage of Target Achieved for ELA from 47.3% in 2016-17 to 51.4% in 2017-18 and in Mathematics from 48% in 2016-17 to 52% 2017-18.
1.3.	District will develop and implement hiring and placement processes by positively promoting the District at diversified Recruitment Fairs. The Director of Human Resource and other Administrators will attend Career Fairs and distribute materials to attract a qualified and diverse staff at the following higher learning institutions: Southern CT State University, Central CT State University, University of CT, St. Joe's, Fairfield County Recruitment Fair and the CREC CT Minority Recruitment Fair.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, increase the District Performance Index (DPI) for ELA from 62.5% in 2016-17 to 63.5% in 2017-18 and in Math from 54.4% in 2016-17 to 56% in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, improve the Average Percentage of Target Achieved for ELA from 47.3% in 2016-17 to 51.4% in 2017-18 and in Mathematics from 48% in 2016-17 to 52% 2017-18.

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:
100: Personnel Services - Salaries			
2 Literacy Coaches and 2 Mathematic Coaches	1.1	4 FTEs - 2 Literacy Coaches - \$86,266.96, \$63,221.08 and 2 Mathematic Coaches- \$73,925.02, 86,266.96.	\$ 309,680.02
9 TEAM Mentors	1.2	The Stipend of \$500.00 per Mentor will support the three teachers who are in the process of completing TEAM.	\$ 4,500.00
100: Personnel Services - Salaries Subtotal:			\$ 314,180.02
200: Personnel Services - Benefits			
2 Literacy and 2 Mathematic Coaches	1.1 and 1.2	Anticipated benefits for 5 months based on coverage for a family plan.	\$ 54,995.00
			\$ -
			\$ -
200: Personnel Services - Benefits Subtotal:			\$ 54,995.00
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services			
EdAdvance	1.1 and 1.2	Training Cost for Literacy and Mathematic Coaches	\$ 6,413.00
CREC	1.3	Registration fee for the Minority Recruitment Career Fair	\$ 300.00
			\$ -
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services Subtotal:			\$ 6,713.00
400: Purchased Property Services			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services Subtotal:			\$ -

500: Other Purchased Services			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
500: Other Purchased Services Subtotal:			\$ -
600: Supplies			
			\$ -
Marketing tools to attract diverse staff to align with diverse student population.	1.3		\$ 565.98
			\$ -
600: Supplies Subtotal:			\$ 565.98
700: Property			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
700: Property Subtotal:			\$ -
800: Other Objects			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
800: Other Objects Subtotal:			\$ -
TALENT SUB-TOTAL:			\$ 372,908.00

II. 2017-18 Academic Priorities

Torrington

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 type="checkbox"/>	Pre-K - Grade 3 literacy
<input type="checkbox"/>	SRBI and academic interventions	<input type="checkbox"/>	Instructional technology
<input type="checkbox"/>	College and career access	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other: _____
<input checked="" 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.	The District will engage with the Connecticut Center for School Change to have a Coherence and Capacity Study completed in the Spring of 2018. This Study will assist in devising instructional strategies to support the District in improving the DPI and the Average Percentage of Target Achieved under the Smarter Balance Growth Model.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, increase the District Performance Index (DPI) for ELA from 62.5% in 2016-17 to 63.5% in 2017-18 and in Math from 54.4% in 2016-17 to 56% in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, improve the Average Percentage of Target Achieved for ELA from 47.3% in 2016-17 to 51.4% in 2017-18 and in Mathematics from 48% in 2016-17 to 52% 2017-18.
2.2.	The District will create and implement an Alternative/Transitional Program at Torrington High School to engage students identified as high needs/at risk. This program will re-engage overage and undercredited students to support them in regaining credits towards graduation. The Special Education Teacher will assist with classroom and programmatic support for students who may or may not be identified. The Guidance Counselor will provide SEL strategies and assist the other guidance counselors in meeting the needs of all students who may be impacted by trauma that is causing a deficiency in their academics. With the addition of these staff members, THS will be able to implement a blended learning opportunity to support students who may need a differentiated learning environment.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, increase the District Performance Index (DPI) for ELA from 62.5% in 2016-17 to 63.5% in 2017-18 and in Math from 54.4% in 2016-17 to 56% in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, improve the Average Percentage of Target Achieved for ELA from 47.3% in 2016-17 to 51.4% in 2017-18 and in Mathematics from 48% in 2016-17 to 52% 2017-18.
2.3.	The District will implement the use of MAP Testing at Torrington High School to establish standardized assessments for grades 9 - 12. These assessments will provide data for tracking progress of students to ensure that best practice instructional strategies are resulting in positive academic outcomes.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, increase the District Performance Index (DPI) for ELA from 62.5% in 2016-17 to 63.5% in 2017-18 and in Math from 54.4% in 2016-17 to 56% in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, improve the Average Percentage of Target Achieved for ELA from 47.3% in 2016-17 to 51.4% in 2017-18 and in Mathematics from 48% in 2016-17 to 52% 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.

Cost:	Alignment:	Description:	AD Investment:	PSD Investment:
100: Personnel Services - Salaries				
1 Special Education Teacher and 1 Guidance Counselor	2.2	1 Special Education FTE and 1 Guidance Counselor FTE at Torrington High School.	\$ 95,000.00	
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
100: Personnel Services - Salaries Subtotal:			\$ 95,000.00	\$ -
200: Personnel Services - Benefits				
1 Special Education Teacher and 1 Guidance Counselor	2.2	1 Special Education FTE and 1 Guidance Counselor FTE at Torrington High School.	\$ 18,332.00	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
200: Personnel Services - Benefits Subtotal:			\$ 18,332.00	\$ -
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services				
Connecticut for School Change	2.1	Completion of a District Coherence and Capacity Center Study.	\$ 24,570.00	\$ -
NWEA MAPS Assessments	2.3	Assessment Testing for Grades 9 - 12	\$ 3,115.35	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services Subtotal:			\$ 27,685.35	\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -

500: Other Purchased Services						
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
500: Other Purchased Services Subtotal:			\$	-	\$	-
600: Supplies						
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
600: Supplies Subtotal:			\$	-	\$	-
700: Property						
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
700: Property Subtotal:			\$	-	\$	-
800: Other Objects						
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
			\$	-	\$	-
800: Other Objects Subtotal:			\$	-	\$	-
ACADEMICS SUB-TOTAL:			\$	141,017.35	\$	-

III. 2017-18 Culture and Climate Priorities

Torrington

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Attendance/Chronic absenteeism	<input type="checkbox"/>	Graduation/dropout prevention/on-track for graduation
<input type="checkbox"/>	Suspension rate	<input checked="" 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.	The District will hire a non-certified Bilingual staff member to serve as a parent liaison to increase family engagement, improve attendance and assist with translation services in Torrington Public Schools. This position will enhance the District's ability to make home visits and support parents with communication barriers due to language. Being able to engage parents by actively seeking their input will enhance the education of their children by creating a cooperative collaboration between home and school. This individual will work with all stakeholders to achieve goals, access support services and create/implement District sponsored programs and opportunities to facilitate positive parent, school and student relationships to increase academic achievement and reduce chronic absenteeism.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, increase the District Performance Index (DPI) for ELA from 62.5% in 2016-17 to 63.5% in 2017-18 and in Math from 54.4% in 2016-17 to 56% in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, improve the Average Percentage of Target Achieved for ELA from 47.3% in 2016-17 to 51.4% in 2017-18 and in Mathematics from 48% in 2016-17 to 52% in 2017-18. In alignment with ESSA targets, increase chronic absenteeism from 12.3% in 2016-17 to 11.7% in 2017-18.
3.2.		
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.

Cost:	Alignment:	Description:	AD Investment:	PSD Investment:
100: Personnel Services - Salaries				
1 FTE Bilingual Staff Person	3.1	The Bilingual Non-Certified Staff member will serve as a parent liaison to increase family engagement and assist with translation services.	\$ 18,884.65	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
100: Personnel Services - Salaries Subtotal:			\$ 18,884.65	\$ -
200: Personnel Services - Benefits				
1 FTE Bilingual Staff Person	3.1	The Bilingual Non-Certified Staff member will serve as a parent liaison to increase family engagement and assist with translation services.	\$ 9,166.00	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
200: Personnel Services - Benefits Subtotal:			\$ 9,166.00	\$ -
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -

500: Other Purchased Services				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
500: Other Purchased Services Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
600: Supplies				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
600: Supplies Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
700: Property				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
700: Property Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
800: Other Objects				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
800: Other Objects Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
CULTURE AND CLIMATE SUB-TOTAL:			\$ 28,050.65	\$ -

IV. 2017-18 Operations Priorities

Torrington

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 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.	The District will upgrade the PowerSchool Suite to improve the timely and accurate reporting and analysis of data.	In alignment with ESSA goal targets, increase the District Performance Index (DPI) for ELA from 62.5% in 2016-17 to 63.5% in 2017-18 and in Math from 54.4% in 2016-17 to 56% in 2017-18. Under the Smarter Balanced Growth Model, improve the Average Percentage of Target Achieved for ELA from 47.3% in 2016-17 to 51.4% in 2017-18 and in Mathematics from 48% in 2016-17 to 52% 2017-18.
4.2.		
4.3.		

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:
100: Personnel Services - Salaries				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
100: Personnel Services - Salaries Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
200: Personnel Services - Benefits				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
200: Personnel Services - Benefits Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services				
Upgrade of PowerSchool Suite	4.1	Upgrade from the 2008 version to the 2012 version to meet the demands of the State mandated data dumps.	\$ 4,000.00	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services Subtotal:			\$ 4,000.00	\$ -

500: Other Purchased Services				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
500: Other Purchased Services Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
600: Supplies				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
600: Supplies Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
700: Property				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
700: Property Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
800: Other Objects				
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
			\$ -	\$ -
800: Other Objects Subtotal:			\$ -	\$ -
OPERATIONS SUB-TOTAL:			\$ 4,000.00	\$ -

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:
100: Personnel Services - Salaries			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
100: Personnel Services - Salaries Subtotal:			\$ -
200: Personnel Services - Benefits			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
200: Personnel Services - Benefits Subtotal:			\$ -
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services Subtotal:			\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services Subtotal:			\$ -

500: Other Purchased Services			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
500: Other Purchased Services Subtotal:			\$ -
600: Supplies			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
600: Supplies Subtotal:			\$ -
700: Property			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
700: Property Subtotal:			\$ -
800: Other Objects			
			\$ -
			\$ -
			\$ -
800: Other Objects Subtotal:			\$ -
NON-REFORM SUB-TOTAL:			\$ -

VI. FY '18 AD and PSD Budget Summary

Torrington

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	\$ 314,180	\$ 95,000	\$ -	\$ 18,885	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 428,065	\$ -
200: Personnel Services - Benefits	\$ 54,995	\$ 18,332	\$ -	\$ 9,166	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 82,493	\$ -
300: Purchased Professional and Technical Services	\$ 6,713	\$ 27,685	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 34,398	\$ -
400: Purchased Property Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ -
500: Other Purchased Services	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
600: Supplies	\$ 566	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 566	\$ -
700: Property	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
800: Other Objects	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
TOTALS:	\$ 376,454	\$ 141,017	\$ -	\$ 28,051	\$ -	\$ 4,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 549,522	\$ -

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: Denise L. Clemons **HEREBY ASSURES THAT:**
Torrington Board of Education –Torrington 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: 

Denise L. Clemons

Name: *(typed)* _____
Superintendent

Title: *(typed)* _____
January 24, 2018

Date: _____