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**State Releases 2018 School Designations**

Dear Fellow Alaskans,

As part of the ongoing implementation of [Alaska’s Education Challenge](https://education.alaska.gov/akedchallenge), the Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) is working with school districts to support success in every school. Utilizing Alaska’s plan for the [Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA)](https://education.alaska.gov/akessa) as a strategy for closing our achievement gaps, DEED is providing school designations for Alaska’s families.

There are three types of school designations: Comprehensive Support and Improvement (CSI), Targeted Support and Improvement (TSI), and Universal Support. The primary purpose of these school designations is to provide information for families, tribes, communities, educators, and policy makers to plan and support an equitable education for each student in Alaska’s public school system.

DEED will continue seeking input and recommendations from all Alaskans as we work to improve our system of public education and provide an excellent education for every student every day.

To view your school’s designation visit [DEED’s System for School Success webpage](https://education.alaska.gov/akaccountability). For more information on your school’s efforts to increase student success, please [contact your local school or district office](https://education.alaska.gov/doe_rolodex/schoolcalendar).

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Commissioner

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