



AK Reads: District Reading Intervention: K-3 Literacy Screener Waiver

In accordance with AS 14.30.760(a)(1), each local school district shall use a literacy screener in Kindergarten through 3rd Grade. Alaska Department of Education and Early Development (DEED) has adopted the literacy screener Amplify mClass for all districts to use free of charge. While DEED encourages the use of this screener, districts have the option of using locally selected literacy screeners that are approved by Alaska Department of Education and Early Development as outlined in the Alaska Reads Act.

If a school district is interested in using a literacy screener other than the state-provided literacy screener, the district must submit the application and evidence requested in this application packet on or before March 1st to be considered for the upcoming school year. Districts will be notified of approval on or before April 15th. Submission of a literacy screener waiver does not guarantee approval.

District Name: *

District Address: *

District Phone Number: *

District Representative Submitting Waiver: *

District Representative Title: *

District Representative email: *

District Representative Phone Number: *

School Year: *

Vendor: *

Screener Name: *

Link to view screener: *

Required Documentation Submission Checklists

Place a checkmark beside each component if the proposed screener meets the requirement. Provide supporting documentation for each checked component in the upload box below.

Administration Requirements *

- Evidence-based and based on the science of reading
- Dyslexia Screener included
- Culturally Responsive as defined in AS 14.60.010(9)
- Must be designed to be administered three times each school year; in alignment with the state benchmark windows (beginning of the year, middle of year, and end of year)
- Screening results reported to state within 7 calendar days by the end of benchmark window

Constructs Measured *

- Alignment to Alaska English Language Arts Standards; focus in Kindergarten and 1st grade on foundational skills that lead to early reading success in 2nd and 3rd grade
- Kindergarten: phonemic awareness, letter naming fluency, letter sound fluency, letter word sound fluency
- 1st Grade: letter word sound fluency, oral reading fluency
- 2nd Grade: vocabulary, oral reading fluency
- 3rd Grade: vocabulary, oral reading fluency

Reporting Requirements *

*Link to [Data Dictionary](#)

- Screener must identify 4 levels of benchmark proficiency
- AKSID
- School Code
- Benchmark proficiency levels
- All information outlined in the *DATA DICTIONARY

Approved Waiver Requirements *

An approved waiver will require submission of the literacy screener results 3-times per year. Submission of results must be received within 7 calendar days after the closure of each benchmark window in an Excel or CSV file via secure email through ZendTo <https://drop.state.ak.us/drop/>. Link to directions on using [ZendTo](#).

- By checking this box, the district acknowledges submission of this form does not guarantee Literacy Screener Waiver approval.

Upload Supporting documentation here. *

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