

## **District 1% Alternate Assessment Participation Justification**

In accordance with the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), state agencies must require that a district submit information justifying the need to assess more than 1% of its assessed students with the alternate assessment. Additionally, states must make information submitted by districts publicly available. For districts with fewer than 10 participants, district names will be redacted to ensure student confidentiality.

## **PUBLIC NOTICE:**

South Dakota's District 1% Justifications are publicly available per the <u>Alternate Assessment website</u>.

Please contact stacy.holzbauer@state.sd.us to request a copy.

## For Districts exceeding 1.0% participation in the state alternate assessment:

Please provide justification for why your district exceeded the 1.0 percent alternate assessment participation. Justifications should be in paragraph form.

The District 1% Justification narrative should include:

- district use of the three criteria for alternate assessment participation
- data review processes
- reason(s) why your district had a high participation rate

The District 1% Justification narrative should NOT include:

- personally identifying student information (names, gender, age, grade)
- graphs
- copies of Alternate Assessment Participation Forms

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