Delaware Department of Education Alternate Assessment Justification Form

Name of District/Charter: Indian River

District/Charter Code: 36

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Calculate Alt assessment rates for each content area:		ELA/Literacy 2016-2017	ELA/Literacy 2017-18	ELA/Literacy 2018-19 Projection
1.	Total number of DeSSA-Alt students in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 11. Residential students with disabilities in, in- and out-of-district placements should also be included.	96	79	80
2.	Total number of special education and general education students taking a state assessment during the spring window (DeSSA ELA/Math, DeSSA-Alt, SAT)	5407	5679	5916
3.	Divide the line 1 number by the line 2 number.	.01775	.01391	.0135
4.	Multiply the line 3 number by 100 to determine the Districtwide anticipated Alternate participation rate for each content area.	1.76%	1.39%	1.35%
Calculate Alt assessment rates for each content area:		Mathematics 2016-17	Mathematics 2017-18	Mathematics 2018-19 Projection
5.	Total number of DeSSA-Alt students at in grades 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, and 11. Residential students with disabilities in, in- and out-of-district placements should also be included.	95	79	81
6.	Total number of special education and general education students taking a state assessment during the spring window (DeSSA ELA/Math, DeSSA-Alt, SAT)	5460	5733	5916
7.	Divide the line 1 number by the line 2 number.	.01739	.01377	.01369
8.	Multiply the line 3 number by 100 to determine the Districtwide anticipated Alternate participation rate for each content area.	1.74%	1.37%	1.36%

After completing 1-8, if percentages in lines 4 and/or 8 are equal to or less than 1 percent; please sign form on next page and submit. If the percent is greater than 1 percent in either subject area (lines 4 or 8), the additional information for justification below also needs to be completed. Please submit to Michelle Jackson (Michelle.Jackson@doe.k12.de.us) at the Delaware Department of Education, by September 13, 2018.

Justification: (to be completed if above 1% in any column above)	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19 Projection
There is a school, community or health program in the district that draws large numbers of students with significant intellectual disabilities.	X (Howard T. Ennis accounts for 56 of our alternate assessment students.)	X (Howard T. Ennis accounts for 56 of our alternate assessment students.)	X (Howard T. Ennis accounts for 64 of our alternate assessment students.)
The total test population is less than 300 and the total number of students participating in DeSSA-Alt is 3 or less.			
There is a high incidence of students with disabilities in the district.			
*Other			

Justification:		
*Other (Please elaborate)		
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By submitting this application, the district/charter verifies that all students participating in the DeSSA-Alt/DCPS meet the Delaware Department of Education's participation criteria (available online at: http://www.doe.k12.de.us/Page/2138).

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Signature of Superintendent or Charter School Lead