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The Alaska Department of Education & Early Development is pleased with your commitment to implementing School-wide Positive Behavior Support (SW-PBS) in your district. The following information will provide you with an overview of SW-PBS.

Research has found administrative support and commitment is crucial to the success of SW-PBS. Therefore, the following information has been developed specifically for administrators and district leadership teams to assist with the process of determining whether or not the necessary infrastructure is present within your school or district to implement SW-PBS to fidelity.

The *exploration* or the “What you need to know?” phase is often the one that is overlooked in our busy school lives. The *orientation* section has been designed to help each district’s administration team understand what is needed for SW-PBS to succeed in your district. Your state coordinator is also available to do an Administrative introduction webinar.

If you have any questions, or would like technical assistance to begin your SW-PBS journey,

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