



# National Lutheran School Accreditation PANDEMIC EXTENSION APPLICATION FORM

Beginning November 1, 2020, schools faced with extenuating circumstances from COVID-19 may apply for a National Lutheran School Accreditation (NLSA) Pandemic Extension for a period of one year without an additional fee. For an extension to be requested, this application must be submitted no later than March 1 in the school's accreditation expiration year with the following documentation:

- A written rationale of the extenuating circumstances resulting in the request;
- A written report of the school's current progress with NLSA; and
- A written endorsement (attached) by the district education executive.

*Please note, schools applying for an NLSA Pandemic Extension must have a current, district-approved NLSA Application for Accreditation on file in the national office prior to the submission of this application.*

## SCHOOL INFORMATION

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School \_\_\_\_\_

LCMS district \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

School administrator's name \_\_\_\_\_

School administrator's email \_\_\_\_\_

Early childhood administrator's name (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

Early childhood administrator's email (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

School phone number \_\_\_\_\_

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## SIGNATURES

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School administrator's signature Date

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Early childhood administrator's signature (if applicable) Date

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Governing authority/school board chairperson's signature Date

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Pastor/pastoral advisor's signature Date

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District education executive's signature Date

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICATION SUBMISSION

Send your completed and signed application, rationale of the extenuating circumstances and written report of the school's current progress to your local **LCMS district education executive** for final approval and submission to the national NLSA office. This must be submitted to the district no later than March 1 of the year of your current accreditation expiration.

Districts will send these three items plus a written endorsement of the extension request to:

The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod  
Attn: NLSA — School Ministry  
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St. Louis, MO 63122-7295

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