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#### Criterion 1: Centering instruction on high expectations for student achievement.

2b: Establishing a Culture for Learning

| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4   |
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| The classroom culture is<br>characterized by a lack of<br>teacher or student<br>commitment to learning<br>and/or little or no<br>investment of student<br>energy into the task at<br>hand. Hard work is not<br>expected or valued.<br>Medium or low<br>expectations for student<br>achievement are the norm,<br>with high expectations for<br>learning reserved for only<br>one or two students. | The classroom culture is<br>characterized by little<br>commitment to learning by<br>teacher or students.<br>The teacher appears to be<br>only going through the<br>motions, and students<br>indicate that they are<br>interested in completion of<br>a task, rather than quality.<br>The teacher conveys that<br>student success is the<br>result of natural ability<br>rather than hard work; high<br>expectations for learning<br>are reserved for those<br>students thought to have a<br>natural aptitude for the<br>subject. | The classroom culture is a cognitively busy place where learning is valued by all, with high expectations for learning being the norm for most students.<br>The teacher conveys that with hard work students can be successful.<br>Students understand their role as learners and consistently expend effort to learn.<br>Classroom interactions support learning and hard work. | The classroom culture is a<br>cognitively vibrant place,<br>characterized by a shared<br>belief in the importance of<br>learning.<br>The teacher conveys high<br>expectations for learning by<br>all students and insists on<br>hard work.<br>Students assume<br>responsibility for high<br>quality by initiating<br>improvements, making<br>revisions, adding detail,<br>and/or helping peers. |

3a: Communicating with Students

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| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4   |
| The instructional purpose<br>of the lesson is unclear to<br>students, and the directions<br>and procedures are<br>confusing.<br>The teacher's explanation<br>of the content contains<br>major errors.<br>The teacher's spoken or<br>written language contains<br>errors of grammar or<br>syntax. | The teacher's attempt to<br>explain the instructional<br>purpose has only limited<br>success, and/or directions<br>and procedures must be<br>clarified after initial student<br>confusion.<br>The teacher's explanation<br>of the content may contain<br>minor errors; some portions<br>are clear; other portions are<br>difficult to follow.<br>The teacher's explanation<br>consists of a monologue,<br>with no invitation to the<br>students for intellectual | The teacher clearly<br>communicates instructional<br>purpose of the lesson,<br>including where it is<br>situated within broader<br>learning, and explains<br>procedures and directions<br>clearly.<br>Teacher's explanation of<br>content is well scaffolded,<br>clear and accurate, and<br>connects with students'<br>knowledge and experience.<br>During the explanation of<br>content, the teacher invites<br>student intellectual | The teacher links the<br>instructional purpose of the<br>lesson to student interests;<br>the directions and<br>procedures are clear and<br>anticipate possible student<br>misunderstanding.<br>The teacher's explanation<br>of content is thorough and<br>clear, developing<br>conceptual understanding<br>through artful scaffolding<br>and connecting with<br>students' interests.<br>Students contribute to<br>extending the content and |
| The teacher's vocabulary is  | engagement.  | engagement.   | help explain concepts to their classmates.  |
| inappropriate, vague, or<br>used incorrectly, leaving<br>students confused.  | Teacher's spoken language<br>is correct; how- ever, his or<br>her vocabulary is limited, or<br>not fully appropriate to the<br>students' ages or<br>backgrounds.   | Teacher's spoken and<br>written language is clear<br>and correct and uses<br>vocabulary appropriate to<br>the students' ages and<br>interests.  | The teacher's spoken and<br>written language is<br>expressive, and the teacher<br>finds opportunities to<br>extend students'<br>vocabularies.   |

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| 3c: Engaging Students in Learning   |  |   |   |  |
| Unsatisfactory – 1  | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4   |  |
| The learning tasks and<br>activities, materials,<br>resources, instructional<br>groups and technology are<br>poorly aligned with the<br>instructional outcomes or<br>require only rote responses.<br>The pace of the lesson is<br>too slow or too rushed.<br>Few students are<br>intellectually engaged or<br>interested. | The learning tasks and<br>activities are partially<br>aligned with the<br>instructional out- comes<br>but require only minimal<br>thinking by students,<br>allowing most to be passive<br>or merely compliant.<br>The pacing of the lesson<br>may not provide students<br>the time needed to be<br>intellectually engaged. | The learning tasks and<br>activities are aligned with<br>the instructional outcomes<br>and designed to challenge<br>student thinking, the result<br>being that most students<br>display active intellectual<br>engagement with important<br>and challenging content<br>and are supported in that<br>engagement by teacher<br>scaffolding.<br>The pacing of the lesson is<br>appropriate, providing most<br>students the time needed<br>to be intellectually<br>engaged. | Virtually all students are<br>intellectually engaged in<br>challenging content<br>through well-designed<br>learning tasks and suitable<br>scaffolding by the teacher<br>and fully aligned with the<br>instructional outcomes.<br>In addition, there is<br>evidence of some student<br>initiation of inquiry and of<br>student contribution to the<br>exploration of important<br>content.<br>The pacing of the lesson<br>provides students the time<br>needed to intellectually<br>engage with and reflect<br>upon their learning and to<br>consolidate their<br>understanding.<br>Students may have some<br>choice in how they<br>complete tasks and may<br>serve as resources for one<br>another. |  |

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| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4  |
| Teacher's questions are of<br>low cognitive challenge,<br>require single correct<br>responses, and are asked<br>in rapid succession.<br>Interaction between<br>teacher and students is<br>predominantly recitation<br>style, with the teacher<br>mediating all questions and<br>answers.<br>A few students dominate<br>the discussion. | Teacher's questions lead<br>students through a single<br>path of inquiry, with<br>answers seemingly<br>determined in advance.<br>Alternatively, the teacher<br>attempts to frame some<br>questions designed to<br>promote student thinking<br>and understanding, but<br>only a few students are<br>involved.<br>Teacher attempts to<br>engage all students in the<br>discussion and to<br>encourage them to respond<br>to one another, but with<br>uneven results. | Although the teacher may<br>use some low-level<br>questions, he or she asks<br>the students questions<br>designed to promote<br>thinking and<br>understanding.<br>Teacher creates a genuine<br>discussion among<br>students, providing<br>adequate time for students<br>to respond and stepping<br>aside when appropriate.<br>Teacher successfully<br>engages most students in<br>the discussion, employing<br>a range of strategies to<br>ensure that most students<br>are heard. | Teacher uses a variety or<br>series of questions or<br>prompts to challenge<br>students cognitively,<br>advance high-level thinking<br>and discourse, and<br>promote metacognition.<br>Students formulate many<br>questions, initiate topics,<br>and make unsolicited<br>contributions.<br>Students themselves<br>ensure that all voices are<br>heard in the discussion.                     |
| 4a: Reflecting on Teaching   |  |  |  |
| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4  |
| Teacher does not know<br>whether a lesson was<br>effective or achieved its<br>instructional outcomes, or<br>he/she profoundly<br>misjudges the success of a<br>lesson.<br>Teacher has no   | Teacher has a generally<br>accurate impression of a<br>lesson's effectiveness and<br>the extent to which<br>instructional outcomes<br>were met.<br>Teacher makes general<br>suggestions about how a<br>lesson could be improved.   | Teacher makes an accurate<br>assessment of a lesson's<br>effectiveness and the<br>extent to which it achieved<br>its instructional outcomes<br>and can cite general<br>references to support the<br>judgment.<br>Teacher makes a few<br>specific suggestions of<br>what could be tried another   | Teacher makes a thoughtful<br>and accurate assessment<br>of a lesson's effectiveness<br>and the extent to which it<br>achieved its instructional<br>out- comes, citing many<br>specific examples from the<br>lesson and weighing the<br>relative strengths of each.<br>Drawing on an extensive<br>repertoire of skills, teacher<br>offers specific alternative<br>actions, complete with the |

| 1b: Demonstrating Knowledge of Students  |   |   |   |  |
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| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2   | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4   |  |
| Teacher demonstrates little<br>or no understanding of how<br>students learn and little<br>knowledge of students'<br>backgrounds, cultures,<br>skills, language proficiency,<br>interests, and special<br>needs and does not seek<br>such understanding.                          | Teacher indicates the<br>importance of under-<br>standing how students<br>learn and the students'<br>backgrounds, cultures,<br>skills, language proficiency,<br>interests, and special<br>needs, and attains this<br>knowledge about the class<br>as a whole.           | Teacher understands the<br>active nature of student<br>learning and attains<br>information about levels of<br>development for groups of<br>students.<br>The teacher also<br>purposefully seeks<br>knowledge from several<br>sources of students'<br>backgrounds, cultures,<br>skills, language proficiency,<br>interests, and special<br>needs and attains this<br>knowledge about groups of<br>students. | Teacher actively seeks<br>knowledge of students'<br>levels of development and<br>their backgrounds,<br>cultures, skills, language<br>proficiency, interests, and<br>special needs from a<br>variety of sources. This<br>information is acquired for<br>individual students.   |  |
| 3e: Demonstrating Flexibility  | and Responsiveness  |   |   |  |
| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2   | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4   |  |
| Teacher adheres to the<br>instruction plan in spite of<br>evidence of poor student<br>understanding or lack of<br>interest.<br>Teacher ignores student<br>questions; when students<br>experience difficulty, the<br>teacher blames the<br>students or their home<br>environment. | Teacher attempts to modify<br>the lesson when needed<br>and to respond to student<br>questions and interests,<br>with moderate success.<br>Teacher accepts<br>responsibility for student<br>success but has only a<br>limited repertoire of<br>strategies to draw upon. | Teacher promotes the<br>successful learning of all<br>students, making minor<br>adjustments as needed to<br>instruction plans and<br>accommodating student<br>questions, needs, and<br>interests.<br>Drawing on a broad<br>repertoire of strategies, the<br>teacher persists in seeking<br>approaches for students<br>who have difficulty<br>learning.  | Teacher seizes an<br>opportunity to enhance<br>learning, building on a<br>spontaneous event or<br>student interests, or<br>successfully adjusts and<br>differentiates instruction to<br>address individual student<br>misunderstandings.<br>Teacher persists in seeking<br>effective approaches for<br>students who need help,<br>using an extensive<br>repertoire of instructional<br>strategies and soliciting<br>additional resources from<br>the school or community. |  |

| Student Growth Criterion 3: Recognizing individual student learning needs and developing strategies to address those needs.  |  |   |  |
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| Student Growth 3.1: Establish Student Growth Goal(s)   |  |   |  |
| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4  |
| Does not establish student<br>growth goal(s) or<br>establishes inappropriate<br>goal(s) for subgroups of<br>students not reaching full<br>learning potential. Goal(s)<br>do not identify multiple,<br>high-quality sources of<br>data to monitor, adjust, and<br>evaluate achievement of<br>goal(s). | Establishes appropriate<br>student growth goal(s) for<br>subgroups of students not<br>reaching full learning<br>potential. Goal(s) do not<br>identify multiple, high-<br>quality sources of data to<br>monitor, adjust, and<br>evaluate achievement of<br>goal(s). | Establishes appropriate<br>student growth goal(s) for<br>subgroups of students not<br>reaching full learning<br>potential. Goal(s) identify<br>multiple, high-quality<br>sources of data to monitor,<br>adjust, and evaluate<br>achievement of goal(s). | Establishes appropriate<br>student growth goal(s) for<br>subgroups of students not<br>reaching full potential in<br>collaboration with<br>students, parents, and<br>other school staff. Goal(s)<br>identify multiple, high-<br>quality sources of data to<br>monitor, adjust, and<br>evaluate achievement of<br>goal(s). |
| Student Growth 3.2: Achieve  | ement of Student Growth Goa  | l(s)  |  |
| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4  |
| Growth or achievement<br>data from at least two<br>points in time shows no<br>evidence of growth for<br>most students.   | Multiple sources of growth<br>or achievement data from<br>at least two points in time<br>show some evidence of<br>growth for some students.  | Multiple sources of growth<br>or achievement data from<br>at least two points in time<br>show clear evidence of<br>growth for most students.  | Multiple sources of growth<br>or achievement data from<br>at least two points in time<br>show evidence of high<br>growth for all or nearly all<br>students.  |

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| 1a: Demonstrating Knowledg  | e of Content and Pedagogy  |   |  |
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| Unsatisfactory – 1  | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4  |
| In planning and practice,<br>teacher makes content<br>errors or does not correct<br>errors made by students.<br>Teacher's plans and<br>practice display little<br>understanding of<br>prerequisite relationships<br>important to student's<br>learning of the content.<br>Teacher displays little or no<br>understanding of the range<br>of pedagogical approaches<br>suitable to student's<br>learning of the content. | Teacher is familiar with the<br>important concepts in the<br>discipline but displays lack<br>of awareness of how these<br>concepts relate to one<br>another.<br>Teacher's plans and<br>practice indicate some<br>awareness of prerequisite<br>relationships, although such<br>knowledge may be<br>inaccurate or incomplete.<br>Teacher's plans and<br>practice reflect a limited<br>range of pedagogical<br>approaches to the<br>discipline or to the<br>students. | Teacher displays solid<br>knowledge of the important<br>concepts in the discipline<br>and the ways they relate to<br>one another.<br>Teacher's plans and<br>practice reflect accurate<br>understanding of<br>prerequisite relationships<br>among topics and<br>concepts.<br>Teacher's plans and<br>practice reflect familiarity<br>with a wide range of<br>effective pedagogical<br>approaches in the<br>discipline.  | Teacher displays extensive<br>knowledge of the important<br>concepts in the discipline<br>and the ways they relate<br>both to one another and to<br>other disciplines.<br>Teacher's plans and<br>practice reflect<br>understanding of<br>prerequisite relationships<br>among topics and concepts<br>and provide a link to<br>necessary cognitive<br>structures needed by<br>students to ensure<br>understanding.<br>Teacher's plans and<br>practice reflect familiarity<br>with a wide range of<br>effective pedagogical<br>approaches in the<br>discipline, anticipating<br>student misconceptions. |
| 1c: Setting Instructional Outc  | omes   |   |  |
| Unsatisfactory – 1  | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4  |
| Outcomes represent low<br>expectations for students<br>and lack of rigor, and not all<br>of them reflect important<br>learning in the discipline.<br>Outcomes are stated as<br>activities rather than as<br>student learning.<br>Outcomes reflect only one<br>type of learning and only<br>one discipline or strand<br>and are suitable for only<br>some students.  | Outcomes represent<br>moderately high<br>expectations and rigor.<br>Some reflect important<br>learning in the discipline<br>and consist of a<br>combination of outcomes<br>and activities.<br>Outcomes reflect several<br>types of learning, but<br>teacher has made no<br>attempt at coordination or<br>integration.<br>Most of the outcomes are<br>suitable for most of the<br>students in the class in<br>accordance with global<br>assessments of student      | Most outcomes represent<br>rigorous and important<br>learning in the discipline.<br>All the instructional<br>outcomes are clear, are<br>written in the form of<br>student learning, and<br>suggest viable methods of<br>assessment.<br>Outcomes reflect several<br>different types of learning<br>and opportunities for<br>coordination.<br>Outcomes take into<br>account the varying needs<br>of groups of students. | All outcomes represent<br>rigorous and important<br>learning in the discipline.<br>The outcomes are clear, are<br>written in the form of<br>student learning, and<br>permit viable methods of<br>assessment.<br>Outcomes reflect several<br>different types of learning<br>and, where appropriate,<br>represent opportunities for<br>both coordination and<br>integration.<br>Outcomes take into<br>account the varying needs<br>of individual students.   |

1d: Demonstrating Knowledge of Resources

| Criterion 4: Providing clear and intentional focus on subject matter content and curriculum.   |  |  |   |
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| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4   |
| Teacher is unaware of<br>school or district resources<br>for classroom use, for the<br>expansion of his or her own<br>knowledge, or for students.  | Teacher displays basic<br>awareness of school or<br>district resources available<br>for classroom use, for the<br>expansion of his or her own<br>knowledge, and for<br>students, but no<br>knowledge of resources<br>available more broadly.   | Teacher displays<br>awareness of resources —<br>not only through the school<br>and district but also<br>through sources external to<br>the school and on the<br>Internet — available for<br>classroom use, for the<br>expansion of his or her own<br>knowledge, and for<br>students.   | Teacher displays extensive<br>knowledge of resources—<br>not only through the school<br>and district but also in the<br>community, through<br>professional organizations<br>and universities, and on the<br>Internet—for classroom<br>use, for the expansion of<br>his or her own knowledge,<br>and for students.   |
| 1e: Designing Coherent Instr   | uction   | F  |   |
| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4   |
| The series of learning<br>experiences is poorly<br>aligned with the<br>instructional outcomes and<br>does not represent a<br>coherent structure.<br>The activities are not<br>designed to engage<br>students in active<br>intellectual activity and<br>have unrealistic time<br>allocations. Instructional<br>groups do not support the<br>instructional outcomes and<br>offer no variety. | Some of the learning<br>activities and materials are<br>suitable to the instructional<br>outcomes and represent a<br>moderate cognitive<br>challenge but with no<br>differentiation for different<br>students. Instructional<br>groups partially support the<br>instructional outcomes,<br>with an effort by the teacher<br>at providing some variety.<br>The lesson or unit has a<br>recognizable structure; the<br>progression of activities is<br>uneven, with most time<br>allocations reason- able. | Teacher coordinates<br>knowledge of content, of<br>students, and of resources,<br>to design a series of<br>learning experiences<br>aligned to instructional<br>outcomes and suitable to<br>groups of students.<br>The learning activities have<br>reasonable time allocations;<br>they represent significant<br>cognitive challenge, with<br>some differentiation for<br>different groups of<br>students.<br>The lesson or unit has a<br>clear structure, with<br>appropriate and varied use<br>of instructional groups. | Plans represent the<br>coordination of in-depth<br>content knowledge,<br>understanding of different<br>students' needs, and<br>available resources<br>(including technology),<br>resulting in a series of<br>learning activities designed<br>to engage students in high-<br>level cognitive activity.<br>Learning activities are<br>differentiated appropriately<br>for individual learners.<br>Instructional groups are<br>varied appropriately with<br>some opportunity for<br>student choice.<br>The lesson's or unit's<br>structure is clear and allows<br>for different pathways<br>according to diverse<br>student needs. |

| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4  |
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| Patterns of classroom<br>interactions, both between<br>the teacher and students<br>and among students, are<br>mostly negative,<br>inappropriate, or insensitive<br>to students' ages, cultural<br>backgrounds, and<br>developmental levels.<br>Interactions are<br>characterized by sarcasm,<br>put-downs, or conflict.<br>Teacher does not deal with<br>disrespectful behavior. | Patterns of classroom<br>interactions, both between<br>the teacher and students<br>and among students, are<br>generally appropriate but<br>may reflect occasional<br>inconsistencies, favoritism,<br>and disregard for students'<br>ages, cultures, and<br>developmental levels.<br>Students rarely<br>demonstrate disrespect for<br>one another.<br>Teacher attempts to<br>respond to disrespectful<br>behavior, with uneven<br>results. The net result of<br>the interactions is neutral,<br>conveying neither warmth<br>nor conflict. | Teacher-student<br>interactions are friendly and<br>demonstrate general caring<br>and respect. Such<br>interactions are appropriate<br>to the ages of the students.<br>Students exhibit respect for<br>the teacher. Inter- actions<br>among students are<br>generally polite and<br>respectful.<br>Teacher responds<br>successfully to<br>disrespectful behavior<br>among students. The net<br>result of the interactions is<br>polite and respectful, but<br>impersonal. | Classroom interactions<br>among the teacher and<br>individual students are<br>highly respectful, reflecting<br>genuine warmth and caring<br>and sensitivity to students<br>as individuals.<br>Students exhibit respect for<br>the teacher and contribute<br>to high levels of civil<br>interaction between all<br>members of the class. The<br>net result of interactions is<br>that of connections with<br>students as individuals. |
| 2c: Managing Classroom Pro   | cedures  |   |  |
| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4  |
| Much instructional time is<br>lost through inefficient<br>classroom routines and<br>procedures.<br>There is little or no<br>evidence that the teacher is<br>managing instructional<br>groups, transitions, and/or<br>the handling of materials<br>and supplies effectively.<br>There is little evidence that<br>students know or follow<br>established routines.                 | Some instructional time is<br>lost through only partially<br>effective classroom<br>routines and procedures.<br>The teacher's management<br>of instructional groups,<br>transitions, and/or the<br>handling of materials and<br>supplies is inconsistent, the<br>result being some<br>disruption of learning.<br>With regular guidance and<br>prompting, students follow<br>established routines.  | There is little loss of<br>instructional time because<br>of effective classroom<br>routines and procedures.<br>The teacher's management<br>of instructional groups and<br>the handling of materials<br>and sup- plies are<br>consistently successful.<br>With minimal guidance and<br>prompting, students follow<br>established classroom<br>routines.  | Instructional time is<br>maximized because of<br>efficient classroom routines<br>and procedures.<br>Students contribute to the<br>management of<br>instructional groups,<br>transitions, and the<br>handling of materials and<br>supplies.<br>Routines are well<br>understood and may be<br>initiated by students.   |

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#### Criterion 5: Fostering and managing a safe, positive learning environment.

2d: Managing Student Behavior

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| Unsatisfactory – 1  | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4   |
| There appear to be no<br>established standards of<br>conduct and little or no<br>teacher monitoring of<br>student behavior.<br>Students challenge the<br>standards of conduct.<br>Response to students'<br>misbehavior is repressive<br>or disrespectful of student<br>dignity. | Standards of conduct<br>appear to have been<br>established, but their<br>implementation is<br>inconsistent.<br>Teacher tries, with uneven<br>results, to monitor student<br>behavior and respond to<br>student misbehavior.<br>There is inconsistent<br>implementation of the<br>standards of conduct.                                   | Student behavior is<br>generally appropriate.<br>The teacher monitors<br>student behavior against<br>established standards of<br>conduct.<br>Teacher response to<br>student misbehavior is<br>consistent, proportionate,<br>respectful to students, and<br>effective.    | Student behavior is entirely<br>appropriate.<br>Students take an active<br>role in monitoring their own<br>behavior and that of other<br>students against standards<br>of conduct.<br>Teachers' monitoring of<br>student behavior is subtle<br>and preventive.<br>Teacher's response to<br>student misbehavior is<br>sensitive to individual<br>student needs and<br>respects students' dignity.                              |
| 2e: Organizing Physical Spac  | e  |  |   |
| Unsatisfactory – 1  | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4   |
| The physical environment<br>is unsafe, or many students<br>don't have access to<br>learning resources.<br>There is poor coordination<br>between the lesson<br>activities and the<br>arrangement of furniture<br>and resources, including<br>computer technology.                | The classroom is safe, and<br>essential learn- ing is<br>accessible to most<br>students.<br>The teacher's use of<br>physical resources,<br>including computer<br>technology, is moderately<br>effective.<br>Teacher makes some<br>attempt to modify the<br>physical arrangement to<br>suit learning activities, with<br>partial success. | The classroom is safe, and<br>learning is accessible to all<br>students; teacher ensures<br>that the physical<br>arrangement is appropriate<br>to the learning activities.<br>Teacher makes effective<br>use of physical resources,<br>including computer<br>technology. | The classroom is safe, and<br>learning is accessible to all<br>students, including those<br>with special needs.<br>Teacher makes effective<br>use of physical resources,<br>including computer<br>technology. The teacher<br>ensures that the physical<br>arrangement is appropriate<br>to the learning activities.<br>Students contribute to the<br>use or adaptation of the<br>physical environment to<br>advance learning. |

| 1f: Designing Student Assess  | sments   |  |   |
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| Unsatisfactory – 1  | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4   |
| Assessment procedures<br>are not congruent with<br>instructional outcomes; the<br>proposed approach<br>contains no criteria or<br>standards.<br>Teacher has no plan to<br>incorporate formative<br>assessment in the lesson<br>or unit nor any plan to use<br>assessment results in<br>designing future<br>instruction. | Some of the instructional<br>outcomes are assessed<br>through the proposed<br>approach, but others are<br>not.<br>Assessment criteria and<br>standards have been<br>developed, but they are not<br>clear.<br>Approach to the use of<br>formative assessment is<br>rudimentary, including only<br>some of the instructional<br>outcomes.<br>Teacher intends to use<br>assessment results to plan<br>for future instruction for the<br>class as a whole. | Teacher's plan for student<br>assessment is aligned with<br>the instructional outcomes;<br>assessment methodologies<br>may have been adapted for<br>groups of students.<br>Assessment criteria and<br>standards are clear.<br>Teacher has a well-<br>developed strategy for<br>using formative<br>assessment and has<br>designed particular<br>approaches to be used.<br>Teacher intends to use<br>assessment results to plan<br>for future instruction for<br>groups of students. | Teacher's plan for student<br>assessment is fully aligned<br>with the instructional<br>outcomes and has clear<br>criteria and standards that<br>show evidence of student<br>contribution to their<br>development.<br>Assessment methodologies<br>have been adapted for<br>individual students, as<br>needed.<br>The approach to using<br>formative assessment is<br>well designed and includes<br>student as well as teacher<br>use of the assessment<br>information. Teacher<br>intends to use assessment<br>results to plan future<br>instruction for individual<br>students. |
| 3d: Using Assessment in Inst  | ruction  |  |   |
| Unsatisfactory – 1  | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4   |
| There is little or no<br>assessment or monitoring<br>of student learning;<br>feedback is absent or of<br>poor quality.<br>Students do not appear to<br>be aware of the<br>assessment criteria and do<br>not engage in self-<br>assessment.  | Assessment is used<br>sporadically by teacher<br>and/or students to support<br>instruction through some<br>monitoring of progress in<br>learning.<br>Feedback to students is<br>general, students appear to<br>be only partially aware of<br>the assessment criteria<br>used to evaluate their work,<br>and few assess their own<br>work.<br>Questions, prompts, and<br>assessments are rarely<br>used to diagnose evidence<br>of learning.            | Assessment is used<br>regularly by teacher and/or<br>students during the lesson<br>through monitoring of<br>learning progress and<br>results in accurate, specific<br>feedback that advances<br>learning.<br>Students appear to be<br>aware of the assessment<br>criteria; some of them<br>engage in self-assessment.<br>Questions, prompts,<br>assessments are used to<br>diagnose evidence of<br>learning.   | Assessment is fully<br>integrated into instruction<br>through extensive use of<br>formative assessment.<br>Students appear to be<br>aware of, and there is some<br>evidence that they have<br>contributed to, the<br>assessment criteria.<br>Students self-assess and<br>monitor their progress.<br>A variety of feedback, from<br>both their teacher and their<br>peers, is accurate, specific,<br>and advances learning.<br>Questions, prompts,<br>assessments are used<br>regularly to diagnose<br>evidence of learning by<br>individual students.                           |

| 4b: Maintaining Accurate Records   |  |   |  |
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| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4  |
| Teacher's system for<br>maintaining information on<br>student completion of<br>assignments and student<br>progress in learning is<br>nonexistent or in disarray.<br>Teacher's records for<br>noninstructional activities<br>are in disarray, resulting in<br>errors and confusion. | Teacher's system for<br>maintaining information on<br>student completion of<br>assignments and student<br>progress in learning is<br>rudimentary and only<br>partially effective.<br>Teacher's records for<br>noninstructional activities<br>are adequate but require<br>frequent monitoring to<br>avoid errors. | Teacher's system for<br>maintaining information on<br>student completion of<br>assignments, student<br>progress in learning, and<br>noninstructional records is<br>fully effective. | Teacher's system for<br>maintaining information on<br>student completion of<br>assignments, student<br>progress in learning, and<br>noninstructional records is<br>fully effective.<br>Students contribute<br>information and participate<br>in maintaining the records. |

| Student Growth 6.1: Establish Student Growth Goal(s)  |  |  |   |
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| Unsatisfactory – 1  | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4   |
| Does not establish student<br>growth goal(s) or<br>establishes inappropriate<br>goal(s) for whole<br>classroom. Goal(s) do not<br>identify multiple, high-<br>quality sources of data to<br>monitor, adjust, and<br>evaluate achievement of<br>goal(s). | Establishes appropriate<br>student growth goal(s) for<br>whole classroom. Goal(s)<br>do not identify multiple,<br>high-quality sources of<br>data to monitor, adjust, and<br>evaluate achievement of<br>goal(s). | Establishes appropriate<br>student growth goal(s) for<br>whole classroom. Goal(s)<br>identify multiple, high-<br>quality sources of data to<br>monitor, adjust, and<br>evaluate achievement of<br>goal(s). | Establishes appropriate<br>student growth goal(s) for<br>students in collaboration<br>with students and parents<br>These whole classroom<br>goals align to school<br>goal(s). Goal(s) identify<br>multiple, high-quality<br>sources of data to monitor<br>adjust, and evaluate<br>achievement of goal(s). |
| Student Growth 6.2: Achiev<br>Unsatisfactory – 1  | ement of Student Growth Goa<br>Basic – 2   | r(s)<br>Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4   |
| Growth or achievement<br>data from at least two<br>points in time shows no<br>evidence of growth for<br>most students.  | Multiple sources of growth<br>or achievement data from<br>at least two points in time<br>show some evidence of<br>growth for some students.  | Multiple sources of growth<br>or achievement data from<br>at least two points in time<br>show clear evidence of<br>growth for most students.   | Multiple sources of growth<br>or achievement data from<br>at least two points in time<br>show evidence of high<br>growth for all or nearly all<br>students.   |

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#### Criterion 7: Communicating and collaborating with parents and the school community.

4c: Communicating with Families

| Unsatisfactory – 1  | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4   |
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| Teacher communication<br>with families — about the<br>instructional program,<br>about individual students —<br>is sporadic or culturally<br>inappropriate.<br>Teacher makes no attempt<br>to engage families in the<br>instructional program. | Teacher makes sporadic<br>attempts to communicate<br>with families about the<br>instructional program and<br>about the progress of<br>individual students but<br>does not attempt to<br>engage families in the<br>instructional program.<br>Communications are one-<br>way and not always<br>appropriate to the cultural<br>norms of those families. | Teacher communicates<br>frequently with families<br>about the instructional<br>program and conveys<br>information about<br>individual student progress.<br>Teacher makes some<br>attempts to engage<br>families in the instructional<br>program.<br>Information to families is<br>conveyed in a culturally<br>appropriate manner. | Teacher's communication<br>with families is frequent<br>and sensitive to cultural<br>traditions, with students<br>contributing to the<br>communication.<br>Response to family<br>concerns is handled with<br>professional and cultural<br>sensitivity.<br>Teacher's efforts to engage<br>families in the instructional<br>program are frequent and<br>successful. |

| 4d: Participating in a Professional Community  |  |  |  |
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| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4  |
| Teacher's relationships with<br>colleagues are negative or<br>self-serving.<br>Teacher avoids<br>participation in a<br>professional culture of<br>inquiry, resisting<br>opportunities to become<br>involved.<br>Teacher avoids becoming<br>involved in school events<br>or school and district<br>projects.            | Teacher maintains cordial<br>relationships with<br>colleagues to fulfill duties<br>that the school or district<br>requires.<br>Teacher becomes involved<br>in the school's culture of<br>professional inquiry when<br>invited to do so.<br>Teacher participates in<br>school events and school<br>and district projects when<br>specifically asked to do so. | Teacher's relationships with<br>colleagues are<br>characterized by mutual<br>support and cooperation;<br>teacher actively<br>participates in a culture of<br>professional inquiry.<br>Teacher volunteers to<br>participate in school events<br>and in school and district<br>projects, making a<br>substantial contribution.                         | Teacher's relationships wit<br>colleagues are<br>characterized by mutual<br>support and cooperation,<br>with the teacher taking<br>initiative in assuming<br>leadership among the<br>faculty.<br>Teacher takes a leadership<br>role in promoting a culture<br>of professional inquiry.<br>Teacher volunteers to<br>participate in school event<br>and district projects<br>making a substantial<br>contribution, and assuming<br>a leadership role in at leas<br>one aspect of school or<br>district life. |
| <b>4e:</b> Growing and Developing<br><b>Unsatisfactory – 1</b>   | Professionally<br>Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4  |
| Teacher engages in no<br>professional development<br>activities to enhance<br>knowledge or skill.<br>Teacher resists feedback<br>on teaching performance<br>from either supervisors or<br>more experienced<br>colleagues.<br>Teacher makes no effort to<br>share knowledge with<br>others or to assume<br>professional | Teacher participates in<br>professional activities to a<br>limited extent when they<br>are convenient.<br>Teacher accepts, with<br>some reluctance, feedback<br>on teaching performance<br>from both supervisors and<br>colleagues.<br>Teacher finds limited ways<br>to contribute to the<br>profession.   | Teacher seeks out<br>opportunities for<br>professional development<br>to enhance content<br>knowledge and<br>pedagogical skill.<br>Teacher welcomes<br>feedback from colleagues<br>— either when made by<br>supervisors or when<br>opportunities arise through<br>professional collaboration.<br>Teacher participates<br>actively in assisting other | Teacher seeks out<br>opportunities for<br>professional development<br>and makes a systematic<br>effort to conduct action<br>research.<br>Teacher seeks out<br>feedback on teaching from<br>both supervisors and<br>colleagues.<br>Teacher initiates important<br>activities to contribute to<br>the profession.  |

| Criterion 8: Exhibiting instructional practice a   | -  | ial practices focused or  | n improving   |
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| 4f: Showing Professionalism  |  |   |   |
| Unsatisfactory – 1   | Basic – 2  | Proficient – 3  | Distinguished – 4   |
| Teacher displays<br>dishonesty in interactions<br>with colleagues, students,<br>and the public.<br>Teacher is not alert to<br>students' needs and<br>contributes to school<br>practices that result in<br>some students' being ill<br>served by the school.<br>Teacher makes decisions<br>and recommendations<br>based on self-serving<br>interests. Teacher does not<br>comply with school and<br>district regulations. | Teacher is honest in<br>interactions with col-<br>leagues, students, and the<br>public.<br>Teacher attempts, though<br>inconsistently, to serve<br>students. Teacher does not<br>knowingly contribute to<br>some students' being ill<br>served by the school.<br>Teacher's decisions and<br>recommendations are<br>based on limited but<br>genuinely professional<br>considerations.<br>Teacher complies minimally<br>with school and district<br>regulations, doing just<br>enough to get by. | Teacher displays high<br>standards of honesty,<br>integrity, and confidentiality<br>in interactions with<br>colleagues, students, and<br>the public.<br>Teacher is active in serving<br>students, working to<br>ensure that all students<br>receive a fair opportunity to<br>succeed.<br>Teacher maintains an open<br>mind in team or<br>departmental decision<br>making.<br>Teacher complies fully with<br>school and district<br>regulations. | Teacher takes a leadership<br>role with colleagues and<br>can be counted on to hold<br>to the highest standards of<br>honesty, integrity, and<br>confidentiality.<br>Teacher is highly proactive<br>in serving students,<br>seeking out resources<br>when needed. Teacher<br>makes a concerted effort to<br>challenge negative<br>attitudes or practices to<br>ensure that all students,<br>particularly those<br>traditionally under- served,<br>are honored in the school.<br>Teacher takes a leadership<br>role in team or<br>departmental decision<br>making and helps ensure<br>that such decisions are<br>based on the highest<br>professional standards.<br>Teacher complies fully with<br>school and district<br>regulations, taking a<br>leadership role with col-<br>leagues. |

| Student Growth 8.1: Establish Team Student Growth Goal(s)   |   |  |  |
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| Unsatisfactory – 1  | Basic – 2   | Proficient – 3   | Distinguished – 4  |
| Does not collaborate or<br>reluctantly collaborates<br>with other grade, school, or<br>district team members to<br>establish goal(s), to<br>develop and implement<br>common, high-quality<br>measures, and to monitor<br>growth and achievement<br>during the year. | Does not consistently<br>collaborate with other<br>grade, school, or district<br>team members to establish<br>goal(s), to develop and<br>implement common, high-<br>quality measures, and to<br>monitor growth and<br>achievement during the<br>year. | Consistently and actively<br>collaborates with other<br>grade, school, or district<br>team members to establish<br>goal(s), to develop and<br>implement common, high-<br>quality measures, and to<br>monitor growth and<br>achievement during the<br>year. | Leads other grade, school<br>or district team members<br>to establish goal(s), to<br>develop and implement<br>common, high-quality<br>measures, and to monitor<br>growth and achievement<br>during the year. |