# Orange County Public Schools

2017-2018

# Instructional Evaluation System



Rule 6A-5.030 Form IEST-2015

Orange County Public School Instructional Evaluation Systems

Orange County Public Schools

Dr. Barbara Jenkins, Superintendent
407-317-3200

## Table of Contents

- 1. Performance of Students
- 2. Instructional Practice
- 3. Other Indicators of Performance
- 4. Summative Evaluation Score
- 5. Additional Requirements
- 6. District Evaluation Procedures
- 7. District Self-Monitoring
- 8. Appendix A Checklist for Approval

## **Directions:**

This document has been provided in Microsoft Word format for the convenience of the district. The order of the template shall not be rearranged. Each section offers specific directions, but does not limit the amount of space or information that can be added to fit the needs of the district. All submitted documents shall be titled and paginated. Where documentation or evidence is required, copies of the source document(s) (for example, rubrics, policies and procedures, observation instruments) shall be provided. Upon completion, the district shall email the template and required supporting documentation for submission to the address <a href="DistrictEvalSysEQ@fldoe.org">DistrictEvalSysEQ@fldoe.org</a>.

\*\*Modifications to an approved evaluation system may be made by the district at any time. A revised evaluation system shall be submitted for approval, in accordance with Rule 6A-5.030(3), F.A.C. The entire template shall be sent for the approval process.

#### 1. Performance of Students

#### **Directions:**

The district shall provide:

- For all instructional personnel, the percentage of the evaluation that is based on the performance of students criterion as outlined in s. 1012.34(3)(a)1., F.S., along with an explanation of the scoring method, including how it is calculated and combined [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(a)1., F.A.C.].
- For classroom teachers newly hired by the district, the student performance measure and scoring method for each evaluation, including how it is calculated and combined [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(a)2.,F.A.C.].
- For all instructional personnel, confirmation of including student performance data for at least three years, including the current year and the two years immediately preceding the current year, when available. If less than the three most recent years of data are available, those years for which data are available must be used. If more than three years of student performance data are used, specify the years that will be used [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(a)3., F.A.C.].
- For classroom teachers of students for courses assessed by statewide, standardized assessments under s. 1008.22, F.S., documentation that VAM results comprise at least one-third of the evaluation [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(a)4., F.A.C.].
- For classroom teachers of students for courses not assessed by statewide, standardized assessments, the district-determined student performance measure(s) [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(a)5., F.A.C.].
- For instructional personnel who are not classroom teachers, the district-determined student performance measure(s) [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(a)6., F.A.C.].

The Orange County Public Schools' Instructional Personnel Evaluation System is designed to contribute toward achievement of goals identified in the District Plan pursuant to state statute. Florida Statute 1012.34 (1)(a) states "For the purpose of increasing student learning growth by improving the quality of instructional, administrative, and supervisory services in the public schools of the state, the district school superintendent shall establish procedures for evaluating the performance of duties and responsibilities of all instructional, administrative and supervisory personnel employed by the school district." CTA Contract: Article X. "The overall purpose of evaluation shall be to improve the quality of instruction in compliance with mandates of State Regulations regarding the evaluation of the performance of instructional personnel."

#### **Local Assessment Policy**

The local assessment policy as required per F.S. 1008.22 has been developed. The use of assessments for the purpose of evaluation is reviewed continuously to assure compliance with the

statutes. When the local assessment selections for the district described in chart below are administered, they conform to the district policy in terms of administration and use. Orange County Public Schools creates Common Final Exams for all courses not covered by statewide or national assessments. These assessments are used to develop district-developed student learning growth models and estimate student learning growth scores for all courses not covered by statewide value- added models.

## **Student Learning Growth Cut Points**

For all instructional personnel, the school district will collectively bargain cut points with the teachers' association Orange County Classroom Teachers Association. The district will set cut points in compliance with F.S. 1012.34(2)(e) which requires that school districts construct an instructional evaluation that differentiates between four levels (Highly Effective, Effective, Needs Improvement / Developing, and Unsatisfactory).

For the 2015-16 school year and beyond, one-third of a teacher's final evaluation score will be made up of a student learning growth score that meets the following criteria:

- a. Highly Effective: A highly effective rating is demonstrated by a value-added score of greater than zero (0), where all of the scores contained within the associated 99-percent confidence interval also lie above zero (0).
- b. Effective: An effective rating is demonstrated by a value-score of zero (0); or a value-added score of greater than zero (0), where some portion of the range of scores associated with a 99-percent confidence interval lies at or below zero (0); or a value-added score of less than zero (0), where some portion of the range of scores associated with both the 95-percent and the 99-percent confidence interval lies at or above zero (0).
- c. Needs Improvement, or Developing if the teacher has been teaching for fewer than three (3) years: A needs improvement or developing rating is demonstrated by a value-added score that is less than zero (0), where the entire 95-percent confidence interval falls below zero (0), but where a portion of the 99-percent confidence interval lies above zero (0).
- d. Unsatisfactory: An unsatisfactory rating is demonstrated by a value-added score of less than zero (0), where all of the scores contained within the 99-percent confidence interval also lie below zero (0).

## **Determining Student Learning Growth Scores**

All student learning growth scores will be calculated through models constructed by the school district. State value-added models and scores will only be used outside of the instructional evaluation system as directed by other areas of Florida Statute.

The district provides a crosswalk between courses and assessments each school year. The Course Assessment Crosswalk will change as new courses are added, as courses are deleted, and as student enrollment fluctuates. The most current version of the Course Assessment Crosswalk can be found on the Test Development and Measurement website.

## **Probationary Teachers**

Probationary teachers will receive a student learning growth score for their mid-point evaluation based on assessments selected by the school principal. These assessments may include assessments embedded in instructional software programs, formative assessments, progress monitoring assessments or other school-selected assessments. The student data collected for this measure must be from the period prior to the completion of the instructional practice portion of the mid-point evaluation.

Newly hired teachers will receive at minimum two annual evaluations within the first year of hire. Moving forward, these evaluations will include scores from Instructional Practice (67%) and Student Growth (33%). The School District of Orange County will allow site based principals to determine student performance measures for newly hired instructional personnel for their first evaluation (mid-point) and use a Non-VAM calculation for the scoring. The resulting score of the Mid-Point Evaluation does not impact the scoring for the Final Evaluation, but rather serves as a snapshot of the teacher's current performance.

#### 2. Instructional Practice

## **Directions:**

The district shall provide:

- For all instructional personnel, the percentage of the evaluation that is based on the instructional practice criterion as outlined in s. 1012.34(3)(a)2., F.S., along with an explanation of the scoring method, including how it is calculated and combined [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(b)1., F.A.C.].
- Description of the district evaluation framework for instructional personnel and the contemporary research basis in effective educational practices [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(b)2., F.A.C.].
- For all instructional personnel, a crosswalk from the district's evaluation framework to the Educator Accomplished Practices demonstrating that the district's evaluation system contains indicators based upon each of the Educator Accomplished Practices [Rule 6A- 5.030(2)(b)3., F.A.C.].
- For classroom teachers, observation instrument(s) that include indicators based on each of the Educator Accomplished Practices [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(b)4., F.A.C.].
- For non-classroom instructional personnel, evaluation instrument(s) that include indicators based on each of the Educator Accomplished Practices [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(b)5., F.A.C.].
- For all instructional personnel, procedures for conducting observations and collecting data and other evidence of instructional practice [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(b)6., F.A.C.].

#### **Selection of the Evaluation Model**

In November, 2010 a core group of 30 stakeholders: teachers, principals, Classroom Teachers Association representatives, and district personnel met to begin the process of redeveloping the teacher assessment tools and processes for Orange County Public Schools. The team researched successful models from across the nation and spent many hours discussing the benefits and areas of concern for each model. In February of 2011, the team began to develop their own evaluation instrument based upon best practices, and continued until the State of Florida introduced the Marzano Evaluation.

In March 2011, an expanded committee of 42 members was provided a three - day overview of the state model by Learning Sciences International, followed by three days of teacher evaluation redevelopment workshops with a consultant from that organization. Both the school district and the Classroom Teacher Association agreed that collective bargaining was required for decision – making around the implementation of the model, but reached consensus for using it. The committee met monthly throughout the 2011-2012 school year to monitor the implementation of the evaluation model; to develop, monitor and revise procedures as necessary; to promote effective communication to all stakeholders; to review the progress of the training schedule; to monitor compliance with the implementation; and to identify solutions for issues that may have arisen during the early implementation phase. In the years following, the committee continued to meet regularly to resolve issues and provide guidance for the use of the model.

#### Research for Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model

The Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model has been supported by the Florida Department of Education (DOE) as a model districts may use or adapt as their evaluation model. The Teacher Evaluation Committee from Orange County Public Schools recommended the use of the Marzano model with minor adaptation and a phased in implementation that resulted in full use of the framework to date.

The Marzano Evaluation Model is based on a number of previous, related works that include: What Works in Schools (Marzano, 2003), Classroom Instruction that Works (Marzano, Pickering, & Pollock, 2001), Classroom Management that Works (Marzano, Pickering, & Marzano, 2003), Classroom Assessment and Grading that Work (Marzano, 2006), The Art and Science of Teaching (Marzano, 2007), and Effective Supervision: Supporting the Art and Science of Teaching (Marzano, Frontier, & Livingston, 2011).

The Marzano Evaluation Model was designed from the meta-analysis conducted by Dr. Robert J. Marzano while working for McREL where criterion were used to identify studies that examined the effectiveness of various instructional strategies. Several decades of research were considered to identify the instructional strategies that had the largest effect size on student outcomes originally published fifteen years ago. Since that time, experimental/control studies have been conducted that establish a more direct causal linkages with enhanced student achievement than can be made with other types of data analysis. Correlation studies (the more typical approach to examining the viability of a model) have also been conducted indicating positive correlations between the elements of the model and student mathematics and reading achievement. Research Base and Validation Studies on the Marzano Evaluation Model (2011) and Instructional Strategies Report: Meta-Analytic Synthesis of Studies Conducted at Marzano Research Laboratory on Instructional Strategies (August, 2009) is provided in the appendix section.

These works have been studied by teachers in schools across Orange County Public Schools for a number of years and have been operationalized in the Orange County Public Orange County Public School Instructional Evaluation Systems

Schools Framework for Teaching and Learning. School personnel discovered the Marzano model did not require a new set of skills or strategies; instead it helps teachers understand the effectiveness of intentional planning of the use of high-effect size strategies. Additionally, the model has allowed Orange County Public Schools to embed and connect initiatives that were a part of the framework for teaching and learning such as Professional Learning Communities, Multi-Tiered System of Support, Lesson Study, and the Florida Continuous Improvement Model [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(b)2., F.A.C.].

During the spring of 2014, the protocols were revised by the staff at Learning Sciences International to include more contemporary language that is reflective of the revised standards in the state of Florida and nationally. During the upcoming year, the focus for Orange County Public Schools is to help both teachers and administrators connect the standards-aligned planning and the intentional use of instructional strategies to purposefully monitoring for student outcomes that demonstrate mastery of the state standards.

For the 2015-2016 school year, the use of the framework to establish a common language was further defined in the district's vision for effective instruction to assure that the use of instructional strategies is anchored to helping students be able to master the appropriate student outcomes for the standards. To that end, feedback provided to teachers in each of the domains is considerate of the connection to the appropriate grade level standards.

For the 2017-2018 school year, the district collaborated with the Orange County Classroom Teachers Association to streamline the evaluation process. This input was used to support the development of a streamlined framework that reduced the total number of elements from sixty to forty-five. This model reflects the research of the Marzano Focused Evaluation model. The district and Orange County Classroom Teachers Association collaborated to implement an updated scoring model, focused on average scores. All ratings in each domain are averaged, and then a whole number domain score is created by rounding the average score to the nearest whole number.

## **Description of the Instructional Framework**

The evaluation model includes four domains: Domain One Classroom Strategies and Behaviors; Domain Two Preparing and Planning; Domain Three Reflecting on Teaching; and Domain Four Collegiality and Professionalism. The framework for evaluation was developed with observation instruments that use indicators of effective practice, a clear connection to each of the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices as revised in December 2010, and procedures for how the same common language found in the protocols for each of the elements is to be used with consistency by all observers when conducting evaluations.

The common language found in the framework was designed to describe the effective use of the instructional strategies, referred to as elements, a total of 45 in the four domains. Each element was developed with an element description also referred to as a focus statement that contains key construct that must be present to be considered the correct use of the strategy. Domain One is divided into three lesson segments: Routine Events, the Lesson Segment Addressing Content Elements, and Enacted on the Spot (please see the figures below). Domain One was designed with the nine design questions consistent with the design questions identified in the *Art and Science of Teaching* text. Domain Two was created to capture the tenth design question containing a total of eight elements. Domains Three and Four were not developed with design questions, each consists of five and six elements respectively, that focus on improvement in Domain Three and the characteristics of a professional that support the work in schools in Domain Four.

Figure 1-2017-2018 Domain One Learning Map for the Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model 2017-2018 Streamlined Evaluation Model for Instructional Personnel **Learning Sciences International** Learning Map Domain 1: Classroom Strategies and **Behaviors Lesson Segment Enacted Lesson Segment** Lesson Segment on the Spot **Addressing Content Involving Routine Events Engaging Students** Helping Student Interact with New Communicating Learning Goals and 18. Using Engagement Strategies edge Identifying Critical Content Organizing Students to Interact with 1. Providing Rigorous Learning Goals and Perfo and Performance Scales (Rubrics) Tracking Student Progress **New Content** Recognizing Adherence to Rules and Procedures Previewing Content Helping Students Process Content Helping Students Elaborate on 3. Celebrating Success 19. Applying Consequences for Lack of Adherence to Rules and Procedures Acknowledging Adherence to Rules Establishing Rules and Procedures and Procedures 4. Establishing Classroom Rules Helping Students Practice and Deepen Knowledge Routines, and Procedures Effective Relationships with Students 10. Reviewing Content 11. Organizing Students to Practice and 21. Understanding Students' Interest and Backgrounds Using Verbal and Nonverbal
 Behaviors that Indicate Affection for 12. Helping Students Examine Similarities and Differences 13. Helping Students Examine Their 23. Displaying Objectivity and Control 14. Helping Students Practice Skills. Strategies, and Processes 15. Helping Students Revise High Expectations for All Students Knowledge 24. Demonstrating Value and Respect for Low Expectancy Students Asking Question of Low Expectancy This condensed Learning Map will be used Helping Students Generate and Test Hypotheses

16. Organizing Students for Cognitively

Engaging Students in Cognitively
 Complex Tasks

Complex Tasks

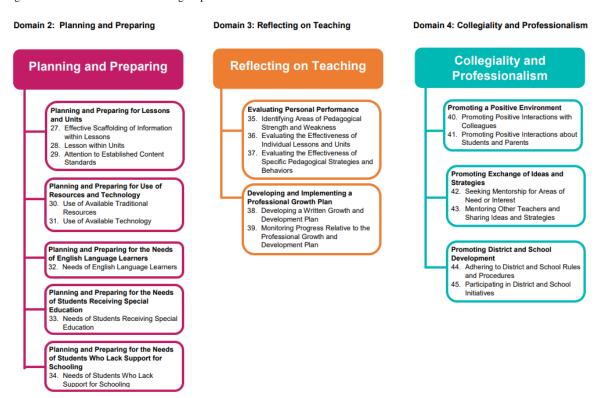
Figure 2- Domains Two to Four Learning Map for the Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model

during the 2017-2018 school year, as OCPS begins to transition to the Marzano Focused

Teacher Evaluation Model. This streamlined.

targeted resource serves as a way to bridge

the 2014 Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model to the Focused Teacher Evaluation Model.

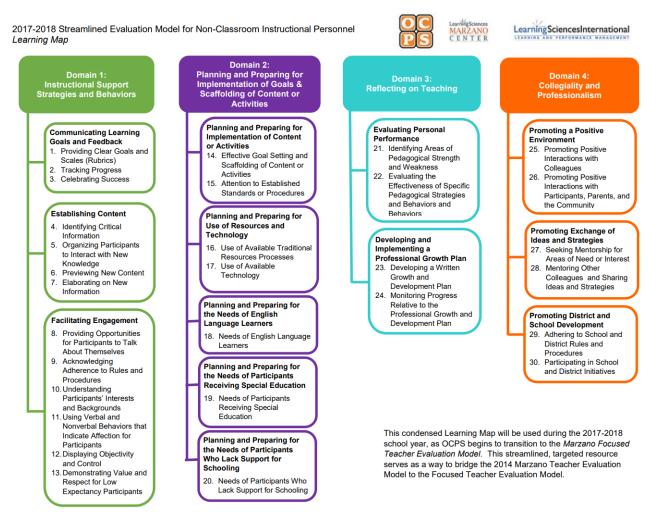


26. Probing Incorrect Answers with Low

Expectancy Students

The common language for the framework for the non-classroom instructional support personnel was created to be similar in nature and is only minimally different in description for each of the elements that appear identical to those in the classroom teacher evaluation model. This model was designed with a total of 30 elements with the first 13 in Domain One as opposed to the 26 in Domain One in the classroom teacher model. For domain two, the elements were created in a similar manner except that the element for planning lessons and units is not present and this is similar to Domain Three where the element for evaluating the effectiveness of lessons within units is not present. Domain Four was developed to contain the same elements as in the classroom teacher evaluation model. Domain One and Two were designed with references to work goals and a plan of work, which is more suitable to the job responsibilities of the diverse positions that would use this alternative evaluation model. In the alternative model, the strategies in Domain Two were meant to capture the weight of what occurs outside of the meeting and sharing of information process for this very diverse group of professionals with varied job responsibilities.

Figure 3 - Domain One - Four Learning Map for the Marzano Non Classroom Instructional Support Evaluation Model



Florida Statute 1012.34 (2)(D) requires districts to identify those teaching fields for which special evaluation procedures and criteria are necessary. The following job titles were identified for Special Procedures because they serve as resource teachers who are not responsible for full time classroom instruction: Administrative Dean, Curriculum Resource Teacher, Dean, District-Level Teacher, ESOL Orange County Public School Instructional Evaluation Systems

Compliance, Instructional Coach (Math, Science, Reading, Literacy, Data), Instructional Support, Learning Resource Teacher, Resource Teacher, Behavior Specialist, Guidance, SAFE Coordinator, Social Worker, Staffing Coordinator, Student Placement Specialist, Media Specialist, Technology Specialist, Athletic Director, Athletic Trainer, Audiologist, Social Worker, Diagnostic Specialist, Language Diagnostician, Mental Health Counselor, Peer Counselor, Speech/Language Therapist, School Psychologist, and Registered Nurse. Orange County Public Schools has reviewed all instruction-related positions and aligned their instructional practice evaluation instrument with the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices and technical job responsibilities and skills in job a-like categories; however, the connections inherent in the model are outlined in the appropriate table in this section. The instructional practice evaluation instrument document was reviewed by the Teacher Evaluation Committee of the Classroom Teachers Association and approved by the Collaborative Bargaining Team. The district has continued to review the use of this instrument with other job classifications that might be more appropriate for the alternative model. The Non-classroom instructional personnel, as bargained with the Orange County Classroom Teachers Association, include the following roles: Audiologists, Behavior Specialists, Diagnosticians, Staffing Specialists, Mental Health Counselors, Psychologists, Social Workers, Testing Coordinators, and ESOL Compliance Teachers.

#### **Scoring Using the Marzano Model**

Two developmental rating scales were designed for providing feedback to both classroom teachers and non-classroom instructional support models. The scale for Domain One was designed in a way that differs than the scale for Domains Two through Four. Five levels for each of these scales were identified with the same rating classification category: not using, beginning, developing, applying and innovating.

In Domain One, if all of the key constructs are present with alignment to the standard or an appropriate target in the trajectory of the standard, the rating on the developmental rating scale would be at the developing level. If key constructs are missing for the element or the strategy is used incorrectly, the appropriate rating to be applied would be at the beginning level. If a teacher should be using a particular strategy and does not, a rating of not using might be given following a conversation with the teacher.

In Domain One, the power to increase student achievement is in the monitoring. To this end, there are two types of monitoring associated to the use of strategies in Domain One. The first applies to all 26 Domain One elements and it is related to monitoring for the desired effect associated to that element. For the content elements in design questions two, three and four, teachers must also monitor for the appropriate student outcome for the standard. To be rated as applying, the teacher must monitor and see that at least the majority of students achieve the desired effect and demonstrate the appropriate standards-aligned student outcome. To be rated innovating on the classroom model, teachers must monitor and see the desired effect and the appropriate student outcome for the standard in all of the students, which may be the result of an adjustment made to allow this to occur that can be subtle or observable.

The Marzano rating scales for Domain One in both the classroom and non-classroom instructional model require that there is evidence that the strategy is implemented correctly at the developing level. At the applying level, the strategy is implemented correctly and there is monitoring for effectiveness and at the innovating level, the strategy is implemented correctly, there is monitoring for effectiveness and an adjustment to increase the effectiveness. The difference in rating the non-classroom, instructional support model is that the professional may have only one student or participant when Domain One is rated so to be rated at the innovating level, the professional must demonstrate an adaptation or overt modification to meet the specific needs of the participant.

For Domains Two through Four in both models, the scale shifts. The applying rating requires that all

key constructs are present and the innovating rating requires that the professional is recognized as a leader in regard to the key constructs for the specific element.

The underlying constructs of the Marzano Evaluation Models are: 1. Teachers/professionals can increase their expertise from year to year which can produce year to year gains in student learning. 2. A common language of instruction and evaluation is the key school improvement strategy. 3. The common language must reflect the complexity of teaching and learning. 4. Focused feedback and focused practice using a common language provides opportunities for teacher/professional growth. 5. The Marzano Evaluation Framework is a causal model. When appropriately applied at the appropriate time, teacher/professional efficacy will improve and student learning will follow.

## Alignment with the Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model

	(55.45)		
Alignment to the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices (FEAP)			
The chart below articulates the alignment of the Marzano Model and Accomplished Practices (FEAP) as implemented in Orange Countries.			
[Rule 6A-5.030(2)(b)4., F.A.C.].	ty Fublic Schools.		
Practice	Evaluation Indicators		
*****			
1. Instructional Design and Lesson Planning – the focus  Applying concepts from human development and learning theories, the effective educat  Please note: The work in Domain Two, Planning and Preparation, should be evident in the additional Doma  Specific aspects of Domain Two that focus on the area identified in the stem in the left column as	tor consistently: ain areas that are identified in the table.		
Specific aspects of Domain 1 wo that focus on the area identified in the seem in the left column as	Domain 1 (elements 1-3 and		
	5-17); Domain 2 (elements		
	27-31); and Domain 3		
a. Aligns instruction with state-adopted standards at the appropriate level of	(elements 51-52)		
rigor;			
b. Sequences lessons and concepts to ensure coherence and required prior knowledge;	Domain 2 (elements 27-34); Domain 1 (elements 1-3 and 5-17)		
c. Designs instruction for students to achieve mastery;	Domain 1 (elements 1-3 and 5-17); Domain 2 (elements 27-34); and Domain 3 (elements 35-37)		
d. Selects appropriate formative assessments to monitor learning;	Domain 1 (elements 1-2 and 5-17); Domain 2 (elements 35-37); and Domain 3 (elements 36-37)		
e. Uses diagnostic student data to plan lessons; and,	Domain 2 (elements 27-29 and elements 32-34); Domain 3 (elements 36-37)		
f. Develops learning experiences that require students to demonstrate a variety of applicable skills and competencies.	Domain 1 (elements 1-2); Domain 2 (elements 27-34) elements 42-44		

## 2. The Learning Environment To maintain a student-centered learning environment that is safe, organized, equitable, flexible, inclusive, and collaborative, the effective educator consistently: Domain 1 (elements 4 and 18); Domain 2 (elements 27a. Organizes, allocates, and manages the resources of time, space, and 29 and 32-34) attention: b. Manages individual and class behaviors through a well-planned Domain 1 (elements 4 and 19-23) management system; Domain 1 (elements 24-26): Domain 2 (elements c. Conveys high expectations to all students; 27 and 32-34) Domain 1 (elements 21-23); Domain 2 (elements 47-49); d. Respects students' cultural linguistic and family background; and Domain 4 (element 56) Domain 1 and Domain Four e. Models clear, acceptable oral and written communication skills; (elements 44 and 45) Domain 1 (elements 13, f. Maintains a climate of openness, inquiry, fairness and support; 16, 17 and 18-26) Domain 2 (elements 30 g. Integrates current information and communication technologies; and 31) Domain 1 (elements 21-23): Domain 2 (elements h. Adapts the learning environment to accommodate the differing needs and 32-34); this may also be diversity of students; and evident through monitoring and adjusting instruction during the

#### 3. Instructional Delivery and Facilitation – The Focus of Domain One

i. Utilizes current and emerging assistive technologies that enable students to

participate in high-quality communication interactions and achieve their

The effective educator consistently utilizes a deep and comprehensive knowledge of the subject taught to:

Please note: The work in Domain One should be evident particularly in Domain Two and

connected to Domain Three.

educational goals.

implementation of Domain

Domain 1 (elements 1-3

and 5-18): Domain 2

1 (elements 5-17)

(elements 31-34)

a. Deliver engaging and challenging lessons;	Domain 1 (elements 5-18); Domain 2 (elements 27-34)	
b. Deepen and enrich students' understanding through content area literacy strategies, verbalization of thought, and application of the subject matter;	Domain 1 (elements 5-17); Domain 2 (elements 27-29)	
c. Identify gaps in students' subject matter knowledge;	Domain 1(elements 1 and 2); Domain 2 (elements 27-29); and Domain 3 (elements 36 and 37); this may also be evident through monitoring during the implementation of Domain 1 (elements 5-17)	
d. Modify instruction to respond to preconceptions or misconceptions;	Domain 1 (elements 5-26); Domain 2 (elements 27- 34); and Domain 3 (elements 35-37);	
e. Relate and integrate the subject matter with other disciplines and life experiences;	Domain 1 (elements 5-18 and 21)	
f. Employ higher-order questioning techniques;	Domain 1 (elements 5-18)	
g. Apply varied instructional strategies and resources, including appropriate technology, to provide comprehensible instruction, and to teach for student understanding;	Domain 1 (all elements); Domain 2 (all elements)	
h. Differentiate instruction based on an assessment of student learning needs and recognition of individual differences in students;	Domain 1 (elements 1-18 and 21-26); Domain 2 (elements 27-34)	
i. Support, encourage, and provide immediate and specific feedback to students to promote student achievement;	This may occur in all elements of Domain 1 but it is essential to provide regular opportunities such as this specifically within elements 1-3.	
j. Utilize student feedback to monitor instructional needs and to adjust instruction.	Domain 1 (elements 1-3 and 5-17)	
4. Assessment		
The effective educator consistently:		

a. Analyzes and applies data from multiple assessments and measures to diagnose students' learning needs, informs instruction based on those needs, and drives the learning process;	Domain 1 (elements 1-3); Domain 2 (elements 27- 29); and Domain 3 (elements 35-37)
b. Designs and aligns formative and summative assessments that match learning objectives and lead to mastery;	Domain 2 (elements 27-29); Domain 3 (elements 35-37)
c. Uses a variety of assessment tools to monitor student progress, achievement and learning gains;	Domain 1 (elements 1-3 and 5-18); Domain 2 (all elements)
d. Modifies assessments and testing conditions to accommodate learning styles and varying levels of knowledge;	Domain 1 (elements 1-3 and 5-18); Domain 2 (elements 30-34); and Domain 3 (elements 35-37)
e. Shares the importance and outcomes of student assessment data with the student and the student's parent/caregiver(s); and,	Domain 4 (elements 41, 44, and 45)
f. Applies technology to organize and integrate assessment information.	Domain 2 (elements 31, 44, and 45)

5. Continuous Professional Improvement – Focus of Domain Three  The effective educator consistently:			
a. Designs purposeful professional goals to strengthen the effectiveness of instruction based on students' needs;	Domain 3 (all elements)		
b. Examines and uses data-informed research to improve instruction and student achievement;	Domain 3 (all elements and specifically elements 38 and 39). Evidence of this work will be seen in the planning process within Domain 2 and in the instructional delivery within Domain 1		
c. Uses a variety of data, independently, and in collaboration with colleagues, to evaluate learning outcomes, adjust planning and continuously improve the effectiveness of the lessons;	Domain 2 (all elements); Domain 3 (elements 35-37); Domain 4 (elements 40, and 42-45)		
d. Collaborates with the home, school and larger communities to foster communication and to support student learning and continuous improvement;	Domain 4 (elements 41, 44, and 45)		
e. Engages in targeted professional growth opportunities and reflective practices; and,	Domain 3 (elements 35, 38 and 39; Domain 4 (elements 44 and 45)		
f. Implements knowledge and skills learned in professional development in the teaching and learning process.	Domain 1 (all elements as applicable and implemented); Domain 2 (all elements); and Domain 4 (elements 44 and 45)		
6. Professional Responsibility and Ethical Conduct – Focus of Domain Four			
Understanding that educators are held to a high moral standard in a community, the effective educator adheres to the Code of Ethics and the Principles of Professional Conduct of the Education Profession of Florida, pursuant to Rules 6A-10.080 and 6A-10.081, F.A.C., and fulfills the expected obligations to students, the public and the education profession.	All elements in Domain 4 as well as those related to human resources management directives and board policy.		

## Alignment with the Non-Classroom Instructional Support Model

# **Alignment to the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices (FEAP)**

The chart below articulates the alignment of the Marzano Model and the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices (FEAP) as implemented in Orange County Public Schools.

[Rule 6A-5.030(2)(b)5., F.A.C.].				
Practice Evaluation Indicator				
1. Instructional Design and Lesson Planning – the focus of Domain Two  Applying concepts from human development and learning theories, the effective educator consistently:  Please note: The work in Domain Two, Planning and Preparation, should be evident in the additional Domain areas that are identified in the table.  Specific aspects of Domain Two that focus on the area identified in the stem in the left column are noted in the right column.				
a. Aligns instruction with state-adopted standards at the appropriate level of rigor;	Domain One – elements 1-3; Domain Two – element 14 and 15			
b. Sequences lessons and concepts to ensure coherence and required prior knowledge;	Domain One – elements 4- 7; Domain Two – elements 14 and 15			
c. Designs instruction for students to achieve mastery;	Domain Two – all elements			
d. Selects appropriate formative assessments to monitor learning;	Domain One - elements 1-3; Domain Two - elements 14 and 15; and Domain 3 – element 22			
e. Uses diagnostic student data to plan lessons; and,	Domain 2 – elements 14 and 1; element 22 of Domain 3			
f. Develops learning experiences that require students to demonstrate a variety of applicable skills and competencies.	Domain One – elements 1 and 2 and Domain 2 – elements 14 and 15			
2. The Learning Environment  To maintain a student-centered learning environment that is safe, organized, equitable, flexible, inclusive, and collaborative, the effective educator consistently:				
a. Organizes, allocates, and manages the resources of time, space, and attention;	Domain Two – specifically element 14 and 15			
b. Manages individual and class behaviors through a well-planned management system;	Domain One elements 8-13			
c. Conveys high expectations to all students;	Domain One – elements 4- 13			
d. Respects students' cultural linguistic and family background;	Domain One – elements 8- 13 and Domain Two – elements 18-20			
e. Models clear, acceptable oral and written communication skills;	Domain One and Domain Four – elements 29 and 30			
f. Maintains a climate of openness, inquiry, fairness and support;	Domain One – elements 8- 13 and Domain Four – elements 25 and 26			

	Domain Two – elements	
g. Integrates current information and communication technologies;	15-17	
h. Adapts the learning environment to accommodate the differing needs and diversity of students; and	Domain One – elements 1- 3; Domain Two – elements 18-20; Domain Three – element 22	
<ol> <li>Utilizes current and emerging assistive technologies that enable students to participate in high-quality communication interactions and achieve their educational goals.</li> </ol>	Domain One – all elements as necessary; Domain Two – elements 17-20	
3. Instructional Delivery and Facilitation – The Focus of Do	main One	
The effective educator consistently utilizes a deep and comprehensive knowled		
Please note: The work in Domain One should be evident particularly	in Domain Two and	
connected to Domain Three.		
	Domain One – all elements;	
a Deliver areasing and shallowing lessans.	also connected to Domain Two – elements 17 and 18	
a. Deliver engaging and challenging lessons;	and Domain Three – element	
	25	
b. Deepen and enrich students' understanding through content area literacy	Domain One – all elements as applicable; Domain Two –	
strategies, verbalization of thought, and application of the subject matter;	elements 14 and 15 as	
strategies, verbanzation of thought, and application of the subject matter,	applicable	
c. Identify gaps in students' subject matter knowledge;	Domain One – elements 1-3 and 4-13; Domain Two – elements 14-15, 18-20;	
	Domain Three – element 22	
d. Modify instruction to respond to preconceptions or misconceptions;	Domain One – all elements; Domain Two – elements 14-	
	17	
e. Relate and integrate the subject matter with other disciplines and life experiences;	Domain One – elements 6, 8, 10, 11 and 12 specifically	
f. Pourlandistance de marchaine de la imperior	Domain One – elements 4-7	
f. Employ higher-order questioning techniques;		
g. Apply varied instructional strategies and resources, including appropriate technology, to provide comprehensible instruction, and to teach for student understanding;	Domain One – all elements; Domain Two – all elements may be considered	
h. Differentiate instruction based on an assessment of student learning needs and recognition of individual differences in students;	Domain One – elements 4- 13; Domain Two – elements 18-20	
i. Support, encourage, and provide immediate and specific feedback to students to promote student achievement;	This may occur in all elements of Domain One.	
j. Utilize student feedback to monitor instructional needs and to adjust instruction.	Domain Two primarily but may also involve Domain One	
4. Assessment		
The effective educator consistently:		

<ul> <li>a. Analyzes and applies data from multiple assessments and measures to diagnose students' learning needs, informs instruction based on those needs, and drives the learning process;</li> <li>b. Designs and aligns formative and summative assessments that match learning objectives and lead to mastery;</li> </ul>	Domain One – Elements 1-3; Domain Two – elements 14 and 15; Domain Three – element 22 Domain One – Elements 1-3; Domain Two – elements 14 and 15; Domain Three –	
c. Uses a variety of assessment tools to monitor student progress, achievement and learning gains;  d. Modifies assessments and testing conditions to accommodate learning	element 22  Domain One – elements 1-3;  Domain Two – elements 21- 23; Domain Three 25	
e. Shares the importance and outcomes of student assessment data with the student and the student's parent/caregiver(s); and,	Domain One and Two  Domain One – elements 8- 13; Domain Four – elements 26, 29 and 30	
f. Applies technology to organize and integrate assessment information.	Domain Four – elements 25, 29 and 30	
5. Continuous Professional Improvement – Focus of Don The effective educator consistently:	main Three	
a. Designs purposeful professional goals to strengthen the effectiveness of instruction based on students' needs;	All elements in Domain Three are involved in doing this process effectively	
b. Examines and uses data-informed research to improve instruction and student achievement;	Domain Three – most elements; however evidence of this work will be seen in the planning process captured in Domain Two and in the delivery of information in Domain One	
c. Uses a variety of data, independently, and in collaboration with colleagues, to evaluate learning outcomes, adjust planning and continuously improve the effectiveness of the lessons;	Domain Two – all elements; Domain Three – element 22; Domain Four – elements 25, 29 and 30	
d. Collaborates with the home, school and larger communities to foster communication and to support student learning and continuous improvement;	Domain Four – elements 25, 29 and 30	
e. Engages in targeted professional growth opportunities and reflective practices; and,	Domain Three – elements 22-24; Domain Four elements 29 and 30	
f. Implements knowledge and skills learned in professional development in the teaching and learning process.	Domain Four 29 and 30; this would be evident in both Domain Two (planning and preparation) and Domain One (delivery of information)	
6. Professional Responsibility and Ethical Conduct – Focus of Domain Four		
Understanding that educators are held to a high moral standard in a community, the effective educator adheres to the Code of Ethics and the Principles of Professional Conduct of the Education Profession of Florida,	All elements in Domain Four as well as those related to human resources	

pursuant to Rules 6A-10.080 and 6A-10.081, F.A.C., and fulfills the expected obligations to students, the public and the education profession.

management directives and board policy.

## **Conducting Observations and Collecting Evidence**

The Marzano Evaluation Models was developed with the intent of using a series of protocols for each of the models to provide feedback to the professional. The models were created with one protocol for every element in each of the model. The protocols were designed to describe the strategy and provide sample evidence that an observer must consider when applying the development rating scale [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(b)6., F.A.C.]. While the evidence was not intended to be a comprehensive list, it meant to help the observer better understand what may be seen in terms of the evidence of the person using the strategy and the evidence of the learner / participant.

Domain One of the models was created to be observed during the course of a lesson or portion of the lesson in the Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model. For the Non-Classroom Instructional Support Model this domain differs due to the job responsibilities associated with the role. Domain One was intended to be used for an observation of a meeting or similar setting where information is being shared; however, some areas may be rated as a result of a discussion like those for the first three elements that relate to a work goal that has been established but may not be the subject of the meeting observed. Both models were developed to center on identifying and rating only dominant elements during an observation. The other domains are rated outside of the observation. They were meant to be rated through conversations and the sharing of artifacts.

## 3. Other Indicators of Performance

#### **Directions**:

The district shall provide:

- The additional performance indicators, if the district chooses to include such additional indicators pursuant to s. 1012.34(3)(a)4., F.S.;
- The percentage of the final evaluation that is based upon the additional indicators; and
- The scoring method, including how it is calculated and combined [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(d), F.A.C.].

## Examples include the following:

- Deliberate Practice the selection of indicators or practices, improvement on which is measured during an evaluation period
- Peer Reviews
- Objectively reliable survey information from students and parents based on teaching practices that are consistently associated with higher student achievement
- Individual Professional Development Plan
- Other indicators, as selected by the district

#### **Deliberate Practice and Professional Growth Plans**

Florida Statute 1012.34 (2)(b) requires districts to provide instruments, procedures, and criteria for continuous quality improvement of the professional skills of personnel and school administrators, and performance evaluation results must be used when identifying professional development. Domain Three of both the Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model and the Non-classroom Instructional Support Model was designed to have teachers examine the effectiveness of the strategies they use and develop a plan to improve in an area each year.

The purpose of the Deliberate Practice model is to strengthen and improve teacher practice. The use of this part of the model was modified in a joint effort in collaboration with the Orange County Classroom Teachers Association. The Deliberate Practice score component is a multimetric measurement consisting of an observation of the development of a written growth and development plan, an observation of classroom instruction using the selected deliberate practice element, and an observation of monitoring progress relative to the professional growth and development plan.

When initiating a Deliberate Practice Plan, the teacher completes a self-evaluation in iObservation in order to support their practice of selecting a Domain One element of focus for their Deliberate Practice plan. The self-evaluation shall remain private. The teacher creates and submits a plan in iObservation for administrator approval. The plan is a series of steps that teachers develop to practice and reflect on the techniques associated to the strategy for their identified element. The administrator conducts an observation for the Domain Three element, Development of a Written Growth and Development Plan.

During the school year, the teacher implements actions that are outlined in their Deliberate Practice Growth and Development plan. Observers may rate the selected deliberate practice

element throughout the year during Domain One observations of classroom instruction to provide teachers feedback on the use of the technique. Teachers shall receive support and actionable feedback from their evaluating administrator throughout the Deliberate Practice process. Although the selected element may be scored more than once by an evaluating administrator during an Informal or Formal observation throughout the year, only the highest rating of the Deliberate Practice element within a Domain One evaluative observation shall be counted towards the overall Deliberate Practice score. Teachers are able to request one additional observation to score their selected Deliberate Practice element. When teachers have received all required observations and have requested an optional additional observation, a specific observation shall be conducted for the express purpose of scoring the selected Deliberate Practice element. The evaluating administrator shall only score the selected Deliberate Practice element.

The third component of the Deliberate Practice model is a Domain Three observation conducted by an administrator to rate the element Monitoring Progress Relative to the Professional Growth and Development Plan to monitor completion of three pieces of documented evidence.

Teachers on temporary contract are not required but may opt to complete the Deliberate Practice.

The highest Deliberate Practice rating for the targeted element from an evaluative or growth plan Domain One observation will be averaged with ratings for elements "Developing a Written Growth and Development Plan" and "Monitoring a Written Growth and Development Plan" of Domain Three to determine the overall Deliberate Practice score. The average rating is then applied to the following scoring method to determine the Deliberate Practice Score:

Innovating = +0.4Applying = +0.3Developing = +0.2Beginning = +0.1Not Using = -0.1

An overall 'Not Using' score will only be given to teachers who do not complete all three components of the Deliberate Practice Plan. The Status Score plus the Deliberate Practice Score equals the Instructional Practice Score. The procedures for calculating the Summative Score is further explained in another section.

#### 4. Summative Evaluation Score

## **Directions:**

The district shall provide:

- The summative evaluation form(s); and
- The scoring method, including how it is calculated and combined; and
- The performance standards used to determine the summative evaluation rating. Districts shall use the four performance levels provided in s. 1012.34(2)(e), F.S. [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(e), F.A.C.].

## **Summative Evaluation Score and Rating Calculation**

The Instructional Practice and Student Learning Growth portions of the calculation will be combined according to the following method in order to produce the summative evaluation score and rating. For all instructional personnel, the Instructional Practice score will be 66.7% of the summative evaluation score. The Deliberate Practice portion of the instructional evaluation is embedded within the Instructional Practice score. The Student Learning Growth score will be 33.3% of the summative evaluation score. This calculation will be used for both classroom and non-classroom instructional personnel.

The Instructional Practice and Student Learning Growth portions of the evaluation will be expressed as a number between 1.00 and 4.00 with the following categories:

<b>Instructional Practice Rating</b>	Score
Unsatisfactory	0.0 – 1.49
Needs Improvement	1.50 – 2.39
Effective	2.40 – 3.29
Highly Effective	3.30 – 4.00

SLG Rating	Aligned Score
Unsatisfactory	1.49
Needs Improvement	2.39
Effective	3.29
Highly Effective	4.00

The individual scores from each section will then be weighted according to the rules above and the resulting score will be placed on the following summative evaluation rating scale:

Score	Summative Evaluation Rating
0.00 - 1.49	Unsatisfactory
1.50 – 2.39	Needs Improvement
2.40 - 3.29	Effective
3.30 – 4.00	Highly Effective

#### **Cell Size**

All instructional personnel must receive a student learning growth score that is based on the students assigned to a teacher. Therefore, no cell size minimums can be used to default a teacher to the use of an aggregate score.

## **Determining Student Learning Growth Scores for Classroom Instructional Personnel**

Instructional personnel must receive an evaluation that is based on up to three years of available student learning growth scores as applicable. This process starts with the construction of individual year student learning growth scores based on the student learning growth data available for that year. All weighting for yearly calculations will be done based on the number of students instructed by a particular assessment if weighting is required.

For the 2014-2015 school year and beyond, teachers of courses not aligned with statewide or national assessments will receive student learning growth scores based on student learning growth measured through the use of district created end-of-course assessments. The district provides a Course Assessment Crosswalk that details the assessments that will be used for each course offered. The Course Assessment Crosswalk will change as new courses are added, as courses are deleted, and as student enrollment fluctuates. The most updated version of the Course Assessment Crosswalk can be found on the Test Development and Measurement website.

#### **Student Learning Growth Cut Points**

For all instructional personnel, the school district will collectively bargain cut points with the teachers' association Orange County Classroom Teachers Association. The district will set cut points in compliance with F.S. 1012.34(2)(e) which requires that school districts construct an instructional evaluation that differentiates between four levels (Highly Effective, Effective, Needs Improvement / Developing, and Unsatisfactory).

For the 2015-16 school year and beyond, one-third of a teacher's final evaluation score will be made up of a student learning growth score that meets the following criteria:

- a. Highly Effective: A highly effective rating is demonstrated by a value-added score of greater than zero (0), where all of the scores contained within the associated 99-percent confidence interval also lie above zero (0).
- b. Effective: An effective rating is demonstrated by a value-score of zero (0); or a value-added score of greater than zero (0), where some portion of the range of scores associated with a 99-percent confidence interval lies at or below zero (0); or a value-added score of less than zero (0), where some portion of the range of scores associated with both the 95-percent and the 99-percent confidence

  Orange County Public School Instructional Evaluation Systems

interval lies at or above zero (0).

- c. Needs Improvement, or Developing if the teacher has been teaching for fewer than three (3) years: A needs improvement or developing rating is demonstrated by a value-added score that is less than zero (0), where the entire 95-percent confidence interval falls below zero (0), but where a portion of the 99-percent confidence interval lies above zero (0).
- d. Unsatisfactory: An unsatisfactory rating is demonstrated by a value-added score of less than zero (0), where all of the scores contained within the 99-percent confidence interval also lie below zero (0).

#### **Non-Classroom Instructional Personnel**

All non-classroom instructional personnel will have one-third of their summative evaluation based on student learning growth scores. Non-classroom instructional personnel will receive school or grade-level student learning growth scores based on a process that determines the students with whom they are associated that represents their impact on student learning growth.

#### **Deliberate Practice**

The Memorandum of Understanding (d)(2)(ii)(3) requires the inclusion of at least one additional metric to combine with student performance and principal observation component to develop a "multi-metric" evaluation system. The requirement for supporting the multi-metric performance data from multiple sources is found in Florida Statute 1012.34 (2)(c) which calls for the inclusion of performance data from multiple sources. The additional metrics may include, but are not limited to formal and informal feedback, teacher and student artifacts, surveys, and lesson plans. The use of Deliberate Practice is described further in another section of this document.

### **Designation of Evaluation Categories**

In accordance with the Florida Statute 1012.34 teachers with less than three years of experience or teachers new to the school district will be formally observed and evaluated no less than two times during the school year depending on when they began their employment in Orange County Public Schools. Teachers with three years or less experience are designated Category I teachers. Teachers with three or more years of experience will be formally observed and evaluated once, and are designated as Category 2A teachers. Teachers with three or more years of experience who are new to the district, are teaching in a significantly different assignment such as grade level changes, or content for which they are certified, but may not have taught for a number of years may be designated Category 2B teachers, and will receive additional assistance and support through two formal observations and four informal observations. Teachers who have an Instructional Practice score of 1.5 to 2.3 shall be placed in Category 2B for the subsequent school year. Experienced teachers who have been determined to be less effective in the classroom either through observable behaviors that result in an unsatisfactory rating or who fail to achieve gains based upon the state's value added model will be placed into Category 3. These teachers are required to be placed on a Performance Improvement Plan that will require intensive assistance from the evaluator and additional observations in an effort to improve teacher performance, which is described in greater detail in another section.

It is necessary to distinguish between the informal and formal observation process. Informal observations do not include a conference prior to the observation; however, teachers may request to discuss the feedback with an evaluator after an observation has been completed. Informal Orange County Public School Instructional Evaluation Systems

observations must be at least ten minutes in length. Formal observations include a conference before and after the observation and involve ratings in Domains One-Three as a result of the observation and conferences. Formal observations must be at least thirty minutes in length. Observations may count for evaluation or an administrator may elect to not have them count for evaluation. The ratings applied for evaluation become a component of the summative evaluation. The summative evaluation is a composite of multiple sources of information regarding the performance of a teacher.

The Teacher Evaluation Committee recommends a differentiated minimum observation schedule based upon the experience level and the expertise of the teacher as outlined below:

Status	Formal Observation	Informal Observation
Category 1 New Teacher	2	4
(0-2 years of service)		
Category 2A Teacher	1	2
(Experienced)		
Category 2B Teacher (Experienced, new to the district or given change of assignment)	2	4
Category 3 Teacher (Performance Improvement Plan)	3	7

Pursuant to S. 1001.42 (18) each school principal is required to maintain an individual professional development plan for each instructional employee assigned to the school as a seamless component to the school improvement plan.

At the beginning of the school year teachers and principals and/or their designees will collaborate on an individual professional development plan based upon an assessment of teacher needs, desires, and results garnered from student achievement data. The plan must be related to specific performance data for the students to whom the teacher is assigned. The plan must define inservice objectives and specific measurable improvements expected in student performance as a result of the in-service activity, and it must include an evaluation component that determines the effectiveness of the professional development plan. Teachers will receive feedback on their progress through comments from administrators, coaches and peers that may be reflected in Domain Three of the Marzano Evaluation System.

The timeline recommended by the committee for conducting formal and informal evaluations is listed below; however principals have the latitude to vary the schedule as long as it meets the criteria for each category:

#### **Recommended Evaluation Timeline**

Month	Category 1	Category 2A	Category 2B	Category 3
August	Administrators Produce Tentative Schedule			
September	Observation	Observation	Observation	Formal Observation
October	Formal Observation		Formal Observation	Multiple Observations
November	Observation	Formal Observation	Observation	Formal Observation
December				Multiple Observations
January	Observation		Observation	Formal Observation
February	Formal Observation	Observation	Formal Observation	Multiple Observations
March	Observation		Observation	Formal Observation
April				Multiple Observations
May	Complete Final Evaluation by May 1 – no observations conducted after 4/30			
June/July	Evaluations Reviewed at the District Level			

While this is the original schedule proposed during the first year of implementation, principals were encouraged to assure that teachers receive regular, ongoing quality feedback that is focused on the intentional use of the strategies to produce standards-aligned outcomes.

### **For Newly Hired Teachers**

Newly hired teachers will receive at minimum two annual evaluations within the first year of hire. Moving forward, these evaluations will include scores from Instructional Practice (67%) and Student Growth (33%). In Orange County Public Schools, all observers have been trained to consider a student performance component while rating the elements in the second lesson segment of "Addressing Content," in Domain One. For the elements that are part of the content segment of Domain One (i.e., those numbered 5-17), observers first must consider if the content is aligned to the state standard. If a teacher is aligned to the standard(s), the observer would consider the teacher's use of the strategy to be accurate and would rate the teacher at least at the developing level. In order to be rated at the applying level, the teacher must monitor for and see evidence that at least the majority of the students are producing standards – aligned outcomes that would indicate the effectiveness of the pedagogy to impact student performance. To be rated at the innovating level, the teacher must monitor for and see evidence that all students are producing standards – aligned outcomes that would indicate the effectiveness of the pedagogy to impact student performance. As a result of our consideration of student outcomes during the observation process, first year teachers as well as all teachers are receiving ratings during the observation and evaluation process that indicate the effectiveness of the pedagogy to produce standards-aligned student outcomes. These ratings serve as indicators of student growth for the mid-year evaluations of teachers who are new to the profession.

## 5. Additional Requirements

## **Directions:**

The district shall provide:

- Confirmation that the district provides instructional personnel the opportunity to review their class rosters for accuracy and to correct any mistakes [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)1., F.A.C.]
- Documentation that the evaluator is the individual who is responsible for supervising the employee. An evaluator may consider input from other personnel trained in evaluation practices. If input is provided by other personnel, identify the additional positions or persons. Examples include assistant principals, peers, district staff, department heads, grade level chairpersons, or team leaders [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)2., F.A.C.].
- Description of training programs and processes to ensure that all employees subject to an evaluation system are informed on evaluation criteria, data sources, methodologies, and procedures associated with the evaluation before the evaluation takes place, and that all individuals with evaluation responsibilities and those who provide input toward evaluation understand the proper use of the evaluation criteria and procedures [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)3., F.A.C.].
- Description of processes for providing timely feedback to the individual being evaluated [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)4.,F.A.C.].
- Description of how results from the evaluation system will be used for professional development [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)5., F.A.C.].
- Confirmation that the district will require participation in specific professional development programs by those who have been evaluated as less than effective as required by s. 1012.98(10), F.S. [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)6., F.A.C.].
- Documentation that all instructional personnel must be evaluated at least once a year [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)7., F.A.C.].
- Documentation that classroom teachers are observed and evaluated at least once a year [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)8., F.A.C.].
- Documentation that classroom teachers newly hired by the district are observed and evaluated at least twice in the first year of teaching in the district pursuant to s. 1012.34(3)(a), F.S. [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)8.,F.A.C.].
- Documentation that the evaluation system for instructional personnel includes opportunities for parents to provide input into performance evaluations when the district determines such input is appropriate, and a description of the criteria for inclusion, and the manner of inclusion of parental input [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)9., F.A.C.].
- Identification of teaching fields, if any, for which special evaluation procedures and criteria are necessary [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)10., F.A.C.].
- Description of the district's peer assistance process, if any. Peer assistance may be part of the regular evaluation system, or used to assist personnel who are placed on performance probation, or who request assistance, or newly hired classroom teachers [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)11., F.A.C.].

## **Frequency of Observations**

All instructional personnel are provided regular and ongoing feedback using the iObservation tool and common language found in the Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model. The prior section illustrates the agreed upon schedule for observations based on teacher evaluation categories. The first observation is a coaching observation that does not count for evaluation. The first observation must occur after 15 duty days and observations should not occur the day before a holiday in order to assure that teachers receive feedback in a timely manner.

The electronic system in iObservation provides teachers with immediate notification when an observation is conducted and provides the teacher with an opportunity to add comments and artifacts related to that observation. The formal observation process differs from the informal observation process in that it involves a conference with the teacher before and after the observation. While the informal observation, which may also be conducted in a shorter amount of time, does not involve a conference prior to the observation, a teacher may request to meet with the observer after the observation to discuss the feedback; however, they are not contractually obligated in the bargaining agreement to do so. Non-evaluative coaching observations are unscheduled observations that are not included in the evaluation scoring process. There is no maximum number of coaching observations that may occur throughout the school year.

## **Process of Informing Teachers about the Evaluation Process**

Florida Statute 1012.34(3)(b) requires that all personnel are fully informed of the criteria and procedures associated with the evaluation process before the evaluation takes place. Orange County Public Schools provides an evaluation manual that is regularly revised by the Teacher Evaluation Committee. In addition to the evaluation manual, Article X of the bargaining agreement addresses the assessment process. Teachers receive electronic notifications immediately when feedback is entered into the iObservation system [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(f)4., F.A.C.]. Training has been developed and offered to teachers designed to help them better understand the evaluation model.

Teachers are permitted to make comments in iObservation and to upload documents related to the feedback they receive. They are notified when feedback is added to the system. The district maintains evaluation resources for teachers to use, which are housed on the PDS Online electronic system for professional development as well as links provided to these resources in multiple areas of the school district website. An introduction to the evaluation system has been made available to new employees who are supported by district coaches. An overview of the model that teachers may review online at the PDS Online system is being created for this year to help teachers better understand the strategies and the model as well as to reinforce the district's vision for effective instruction that is captured in the model.

Professional Development Services provides a narrated video presentation to guide teachers through the updates to the Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model. Evaluating administrators receive training via web conferences to support instructional staff with the transition to understanding the Streamlined Framework. A multi-part narrated online course, Overview of the Instructional Framework, is provided for an administrator or teacher leader within school buildings to facilitate teachers' understanding of the Marzano Instructional Framework. Throughout the school year, additional follow up training sessions are provided through web conferences developed by Professional Development Services to support the implementation of the evaluation system. Resources are also available in the iObservation system and the work in professional learning communities is anchored to examining the use of instructional strategies in relationship to artifacts of student learning. The district has created and

offered element study courses for high-yield elements within the instructional framework that are frequently closely aligned to district instructional priorities. These courses are available through the district's online learning management system to ensure equitable access to content.

Per the collective bargaining agreement, teachers shall be provided a signed copy of the Survey 2 and 3 class roster within ten (10) duty days of signing the summative evaluation, which includes the instructional practice score and student growth score. This is to ensure that the student performance calculation is as accurate as possible for each teacher and to be in compliance with Section 1012.34(1)(a), of the Florida Statute, which requires Orange County Public Schools to establish a process to permit instructional personnel to review the class roster for accuracy and to correct any mistakes relating to the identity of students for whom the individual is responsible.

## **Evaluation by Supervisor**

The duties of the school principal are clearly defined in Statute 1012.28: "Each school principal is responsible for the performance of all personnel employed by the district school board and assigned to the school to which the school is assigned to the school to which the principal is assigned. The school principal shall faithfully and effectively apply the personnel assessment system approved by the school board pursuant to 1012.34. The principal is responsible for the evaluation system and may assign evaluation responsibilities to assistant principals assigned to the school building."

Principals and their leadership teams develop observation schedules to assure that all teachers receive regular and ongoing feedback. Principals participate in regular professional development sessions to assure that they continue to develop in their understanding of the evaluation models. Observers for the OCPS Instructional Framework must recertify every two years. Recertification trainings are offered through a hybrid professional learning model with required online coursework, prior to attending face-to-face recertification sessions.

The district also developed a master observer team of principals, who participated in professional development to calibrate their feedback. This team is utilized to train other evaluators to build capacity with using the model. Observation data is reviewed regularly by members of the Cabinet and additional professional development opportunities, including but not limited to practice using the model in the observation and feedback process with a master observer, are offered to those who appear to need additional support. Ongoing professional development on the intentional use of the model and the standards-aligned component is offered to school and district leaders in a variety of formats, traditional, virtual and blended professional development opportunities.

For digital pilot schools, there is additional training to help observers understand how the use of electronic resources are captured in this model. The focus of the professional development for this group is to not only observe and provide feedback, but to assist teachers in improving the integration of the technology in a way that is connected to the intentional use of strategies in the Marzano instructional framework.

Principals also receive ongoing training opportunities for using the model effectively during principals' meetings, which include the instructional rounds process. School leaders use this same process with peer evaluators and teams of teachers in their buildings.

## Input into the Evaluation by Trained Personnel Other than Supervisor:

Orange County Public Schools collaborated with the Orange County Classroom Teachers Association to gain input on the evaluation form and process.

#### **Multiple Evaluations of First Year Teachers**

Beginning teachers are fragile in the public school system with some national statistics touting a 50% attrition rate by year five. It is incumbent upon any system to support and nurture beginning teachers if they are to achieve excellence in the classroom over time. Whether teachers enter the district professional system through formal training from a college of education or as an alternatively certified teacher, district programs are in place to provide support for all beginning teachers to the profession. District personnel who oversee their initiation are an integral part of the planning team for the redevelopment of the teacher evaluation system and are making modifications to their programs to support beginning teachers in the new evaluation system.

To that end, a differentiated model for supervision and support is offered by the district. This differentiated system utilizes a district and school supported induction program for nearly 1,000 new teachers annually.

Beginning teachers through the first three years of service are classified as Category 1, as previously detailed in a prior section. As such, they receive the support of a mentor who receives both training and stipends to support the beginning teacher through their initial three years of teaching, as well as increased feedback from trained observers.

Each teacher with 0-2 years of experience, and experienced teachers new to the district, are formally observed twice a year pursuant to Florida Statute 1012.34(3)(a) by their designated evaluator, typically the principal or assistant principal, who must be fully trained in the Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model and listed on the published list of trained observers. In addition teachers with 0-2 years of experience and experienced teachers new to the district are provided four evaluative informal observations by an administrator, who has been fully trained in the Marzano Teacher Evaluation Model, for a total of six observations the first year. The evaluation instrument used is the same instrument used for all teachers in Orange County Public Schools.

The Category 1 teacher should always receive timely feedback in writing from each observation, whether formal or informal, as the process of teacher evaluation is developmental for the beginning teacher. This feedback is recorded in iObservation as it is for all teachers. The primary evaluator is responsible for designing the observation plan based upon the identified needs of the Category 1 teacher and for determining who will provide the additional observations. Principals are expected to review monthly the progress of the beginning teacher and provide intervention and support where necessary through additional training, modeling, or coaching. The principal is expected to review the work of those designated to observe and support the Category 1 teacher to assure the beginning teacher receives the assistance needed to be successful.

The Orange County Public School plan is in alignment with the requirements of the Memorandum of Understanding (D) (2) (iii) requirements for multiple evaluations integrated into the district's beginning teacher support program, and includes observations on the core effective practices and reviews of student performance data.

In Orange County Public Schools, all observers have been trained to consider a student performance component while rating the elements in the second lesson segment of "Addressing Content," in Domain 1. For the elements that are part of the content segment of Domain 1 (i.e., those numbered 5-17), observers first must consider if the content is aligned to the state standard. If a teacher is aligned to the standard(s), the observer would consider the teacher's use of the strategy to be accurate and would rate the teacher at least at the developing level. In order to be rated at the applying level, the Orange County Public School Instructional Evaluation Systems

teacher must monitor for and see evidence that at least the majority of the students are producing standards – aligned outcomes that would indicate the effectiveness of the pedagogy to impact student performance. To be rated at the innovating level, the teacher must monitor for and see evidence that all students are producing standards – aligned outcomes that would indicate the effectiveness of the pedagogy to impact student performance. In some cases, students might not be at the level of the standard due to its complexity, but the teacher should be providing instruction on the trajectory of the standard and the outcomes required of students must be consistent indicators that the teacher is developing the prerequisite knowledge to learn the more complex content. As a result of our consideration of student outcomes during the observation process, first year teachers as well as all teachers are receiving ratings during the observation and evaluation process that indicate the effectiveness of the pedagogy to produce standards-aligned student outcomes. These ratings serve as indicators of student growth for the mid-year evaluations of teachers who are new to the profession.

## **Teachers Needing Improvement**

Teachers who are in need of assistance for improving their pedagogy as identified through the observation process and review of student outcomes are provided assistance using a formal plan for improvement. If a teachers final evaluation score falls under a 2.0 on their instructional practice score, the teacher is placed on a formal improvement plan monitored by staff from the Employee Relations Office. The plan may range in duration depending on need from ten weeks to five months. It outlines professional development opportunities for the most significant areas needing improvement as identified in the evaluation model. Prior to the plan being written, the administrator conducts two diagnostic observations, a formal and informal observation to determine the areas needing improvement. In consultation with the Executive Area Director for the Learning Community, the principal writes the plan using the district format to identify steps to be taken and outcomes that will determine if the teacher successfully completed the plan. If teacher ratings during a prior year did not indicate an improvement plan was necessary, but observations during the current year demonstrate that the teacher's performance indicates improvement is needed, a plan may be created after the administrator completes the two diagnostic observations. The diagnostic observations do not count towards the required number of observations for teachers who are identified as Category 3 as a result of being on the improvement plan.

#### **Professional Development Planning and the Observation Process**

Principals are encouraged and expected to consider the observations they have conducted as they plan professional development necessary for reinforcing the vision for effective instruction. This expectation is part of the school administrator evaluation model that is used in the district. Professional development opportunities should be differentiated for teachers, which is also part of the evaluation model for school administrators.

## **Evaluator Training**

Initially, evaluators engage in a hybrid training with required online modules to complete and then two days of face-to-face professional development sessions facilitated by the Evaluation Systems department within Professional Development Services. The online modules and face-to-face trainings are provided to engage participants in deepening their understanding of the Domains and for supervision and feedback practice using the instructional framework protocols and iObservation.

Processes have been put in place to continue training sessions for all new administrators. All evaluators must be trained and certified to evaluate teachers in the system. Every two years, evaluators also participate in the hybrid recertification process which also blends online module and face-to-face session work.

The district will monitor teacher evaluations for consistency between Performance Scores and Student Growth Scores, and where discrepancies exist, additional training will be provided to the evaluator.

## **Teaching Fields Requiring Special Procedures**

Florida Statute 1012.34 (2)(D) requires districts to identify those teaching fields for which special evaluation procedures and criteria are necessary. The following job titles were identified for Special Procedures because they serve as resource teachers who are not responsible for full time classroom instruction: Administrative Dean, Curriculum Resource Teacher, Dean, District-Level Teacher, ESOL Compliance, Instructional Coach (Math, Science, Reading, Literacy, Data), Instructional Support, Learning Resource Teacher, Resource Teacher, Behavior Specialist, Guidance, SAFE Coordinator, Social Worker, Staffing Coordinator, Student Placement Specialist, Media Specialist, Technology Specialist, Athletic Director, Athletic Trainer, Audiologist, Social Worker, Diagnostic Specialist, Language Diagnostician, Mental Health Counselor, Peer Counselor, Speech/Language Therapist, School Psychologist, and Registered Nurse. Orange County Public Schools will review all instruction-related positions and align their instructional practice evaluation instrument with the Florida Educator Accomplished Practices and technical job responsibilities and skills in job a-like categories. The instructional practice evaluation instrument document will be reviewed by the Teacher Evaluation Committee of the Classroom Teachers Association and approved by the Collaborative Bargaining Team.

## 6. <u>District Evaluation Procedures</u>

## **Directions:**

The district shall provide evidence that its evaluation policies and procedures comply with the following statutory requirements:

- In accordance with s. 1012.34(3)(c), F.S., the evaluator must:
  - ➤ submit a written report of the evaluation to the district school superintendent for the purpose of reviewing the employee's contract [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(g)1., F.A.C.].
  - ➤ submit the written report to the employee no later than 10 days after the evaluation takes place [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(g)2., F.A.C.].
  - ➤ discuss the written evaluation report with the employee [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(g)3., F.A.C.].
  - ➤ The employee shall have the right to initiate a written response to the evaluation and the response shall become a permanent attachment to his or her personnel file [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(g)4., F.A.C.].
- The district shall provide evidence that its evaluation procedures for notification of unsatisfactory performance comply with the requirements outlined in s. 1012.34(4), F.S. [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(h), F.A.C.].
- Documentation the district has complied with the requirement that the district school superintendent shall annually notify the Department of any instructional personnel who receive two consecutive unsatisfactory evaluations and shall notify the Department of any instructional personnel who are given written notice by the district of intent to terminate or not renew their employment, as outlined in s. 1012.34(5), F.S. [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(i), F.A.C.].

## **Teacher Notification Process**

Employees receive immediate feedback as a result of using the iObservation system.

Employees are aware based on their access to the information entered for them of all feedback provided during the formative observation process that is used to calculate their summative instructional practice score. The district maintains this information, which historically has been housed in iObservation and is available to the teacher. It remains accessible to them by virtue of them having ongoing access to log into the web-based tool and the tool itself notifies teachers immediately of any new information that is entered once it is saved in the system. Teachers also receive additional communication when the data component is added after the student scores have been released by the state department. The categories and process described below in this section is applied.

Teachers participate in post-conferences for all formal evaluations. They are permitted to request the opportunity to discuss any feedback they receive during informal evaluations as desired. This information is described in the Teacher Evaluation Manual.

Florida Statute 1012.34 (1)(a) states: "For the purpose of increasing student learning growth by improving the quality of instructional, administrative, and supervisory services....the district

superintendent shall establish procedures for evaluating the performance of duties and responsibilities of all instructional, administrative, and supervisory personnel..." The Student Success Act signed into law on March 24, 2011 further clarified what is required. There must be four summative final evaluation ratings as specified in Florida Statute 1012.34(2)(e). The summative score is to be based on aggregating data from each of the two components required for evaluation: student growth and instructional practice. The statute further requires the differentiation among four levels of performance as follows:

- 1. Highly Effective
- 2. Effective
- 3. Needs Improvement, or for instructional personnel in the first 3 years of employment who need improvement, Developing
- 4. Unsatisfactory

Within the OCPS Streamlined Evaluation Model a 5-Level rubric is used to rate the performance and provide feedback to teachers on their use of the 45 elements found in the framework. These ratings are considered formative in nature and are provided to give direction and feedback to the teacher prior to the final evaluation. As mentioned in a prior section, they are: Not Using (0) for an observation where the teacher is not employing strategies where they are clearly warranted; Beginning (1) for the observation where the teacher is starting to use the strategy, but is not yet skillful in its use; Developing(2) for the observation where it is clear the teacher has some skill in the use of the strategy, but has areas for improvement; Applying (3) where the observation would indicate the teacher is very skilled in the use of the strategy making few errors in its execution; and Innovating (4) where the observation would indicate the teacher is so skilled in the use of the strategy they should be instructing and modeling for other teachers as coaches.

The ratings of the dominant elements during observations are applied by educators trained in the use of the feedback instruments developed by Dr. Marzano's team. Teachers are given the opportunity for multiple observations and feedback sessions from a variety of sources as mentioned previously. Each observation is entered into the iObservation tool to provide a central source of information for both the teacher and the evaluating administrator. The tool, which houses the archived observations is used to inform each of the progress being made, focus for training and development, and needs for further growth and study. Notice is sent to teachers immediately upon feedback being entered into the system. Reports are available to teachers in this tool to track their progress and additional resources related to the model are housed in the iObservation system.

Other sources of evidence may be introduced to the development of the Instructional Practice Score. They include, but are not limited to:

Domain 1: Classroom Strategies and Behaviors	Domain 2: Planning and Preparing
Formal observations	Planning conference or preconference
Informal, announced observations	Artifacts
Informal, unannounced observations	
Video/Audio of classroom practice	
Artifacts	
Domain 3: Reflecting on Teaching	Domain 4: Collegiality and Professionalism
Self-assessment	Conferences
Reflection Conference	Artifacts
Professional Growth Plan	Discussions
Conferences	
Discussions	
Artifacts	

Each source of evidence is considered when rating dominant elements using the scales/rubrics provided in the protocols on the scale as described above and added to the collection of evidence. Ultimately the collection of evidence across all observable elements in the framework will result in an Instructional Practice Score.

The process is as follows:

Step 1: Rate observable elements at each of the following levels: Innovating(4), Applying(3), Developing(2), Beginning(1), and Not Using(0).

Step 2: Count the number of ratings at each level for each of the four domains.

Step 3: For each domain, determine the percentage of the total each level represents. In the Orange County Public Schools model, Domain One is worth 60%, Domain Two is worth 20%, and Domains Three and Four represent 10% each of the total score. For Instructional staff evaluated using the process designated for non-teaching instructional personnel, Domain One is worth 30%, Domain Two is worth 40%, Domain Three is worth 20%, and Domain Four is worth 10% of the total score.

Step 4: For each domain, apply the results from Step 3 to the description of each level on the Proficiency Scale (based upon the teacher's experience level). Novice teachers with 0-2 years of experience will be classified as Category 1. Teachers with four or more years of experience will be classified as Category 2A. This will provide a domain proficiency score and will be a number between 1 and 4. These levels are explained in the prior section and listed below for reference.

#### The Proficiency Scale

A rounded average scoring model is utilized. All ratings in each domain will be averaged. Then, a whole number domain score will be created by rounding the average score to the nearest whole number.

Step 5: Compute the weighted average of the four domain proficiency scores and find the resulting number on the scale.

Step 6: The deliberate practice is finalized and attached to the scores as described in the prior section.

Step 7: Using the categories identified in the Florida statute, the following scale is applied to this rating.

3.3-4.0 Highly Effective

2.4-3.2 Effective

1.5-2.3 Needs Improvement, or for instructional personnel in the first 3 years of employment who need improvement, Developing

1.0-1.4 Unsatisfactory

## **Notification of Unsatisfactory Ratings**

If a teacher receives an unsatisfactory rating prior to the data portion of the score being added, the teacher will be placed in another category and offered the opportunity to provide input in developing an improvement plan after being notified by the building administrator. Teachers who have been determined to be less than effective in the classroom as documented through the current evaluation system that may result in an unsatisfactory rating or who fail to achieve gains based upon the state's student growth model will be placed into Category 3, a category for struggling teachers. In order to provide a teacher with intensive support and focused feedback, the teacher will be placed on a Professional Improvement Plan (PIP). The evaluator, with input from the teacher, will develop a plan which includes additional observations and resources in an effort to improve teacher performance. Principals are required to reassign the teacher to Category 3 when the teacher is placed on a Professional Improvement Plan (PIP). At the end of the school year, with successful completion of the Professional Improvement Plan (PIP), the teacher will be reassigned to their original category. Unsuccessful completion of the Professional Improvement Plan (PIP) may lead to an overall "Needs Improvement" or an overall "Unsatisfactory" on the final evaluation.

A plan is written for specific strategies in one of the four Marzano domains. A timeline is established and the plan may last from 10 weeks to five school months. The time lines for completing or responding to a PIP may be extended by mutual agreement. If the teacher does not successfully complete the PIP within the agreed upon timeline and additional time is needed for improvement (based upon the original plan), the plan may be extended or a new plan should be written. Assistance to the teacher is varied and on-going and specific to the strategies in question. Examples may include but are not limited to the following: mentoring by another teacher; professional development that is specific to the need; additional curriculum resources; observations of peer teaching; observations by peer teacher to offer additional guidance and support. To identify the appropriate support to be delineated in the plan, the administrator and teacher meet for an initial conference to outline the plan and establish timelines. The timelines for completing or responding to a PIP are identified but may be extended by mutual agreement. Conferences are scheduled to review the teacher's observations and track progress of improvement. A minimum of four conferences are required; the first after two informal observations, and the rest after each of the three formal observations.

For temporary teachers who do not complete the PIP successfully, the human resources department notifies them that they will not be reappointed before the end of the school year. Orange County Public School Instructional Evaluation Systems

Teachers who are not temporary teachers are provided the opportunity to improve the following year using a 90-day improvement plan. Notification is provided by the building administrator and staff from the employee relations department.

## **Notification of Unsatisfactory Evaluations**

The superintendent will notify the Department of Education of any instructional personnel who receive two consecutive unsatisfactory evaluations and will notify the Department of any instructional personnel who are given written notice by the district of intent to terminate or not renew their employment as outlined in s.1012.34(5), F. S. The appointment process begins in April and teacher notifications are given in writing by the supervisor in May. These notifications to staff include those who might receive two consecutive unsatisfactory evaluations. The district has not had any personnel who have received two consecutive unsatisfactory summative evaluations in the past two years.

#### **Annual Review of the Evaluation Plan**

Florida Statute 1012.34(6) requires school boards to establish a procedure for annually reviewing instructional personnel and school administrator evaluation and assessment systems to determine compliance with expectations for teacher and principal evaluation. Additionally the approved system must be reviewed and approved by the school board before being used to evaluate instructional personnel or school administrators. To that end, teams meet regularly as described in a prior section to assure compliance with the statutes and to monitor the effective implementation of the model.

## 7. <u>District Self-Monitoring</u>

#### **Directions:**

The district shall provide a description of its process for annually monitoring its evaluation system. The district self-monitoring shall determine the following:

- Evaluators' understanding of the proper use of evaluation criteria and procedures, including evaluator accuracy and inter-rater reliability; [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(j)1., F.A.C.]
- Evaluators provide necessary and timely feedback to employees being evaluated; [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(j)2.,F.A.C.]
- Evaluators follow district policies and procedures in the implementation of evaluation system(s); [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(j)3., F.A.C.]
- Use of evaluation data to identify individual professional development; [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(j)4., F.A.C.]
- Use of evaluation data to inform school and district improvement plans [Rule 6A-5.030(2)(j)5., F.A.C.].

## **Evaluator Accuracy**

Teacher Evaluation Observer/ Instructional Framework Observer Trainings were offered to certify new administrators, instructional coaches, and teacher leaders as observers in the Marzano Instructional Framework. A hybrid model of professional learning that blends requires online learning with face-to-face instruction is utilized. The online learning focuses on deepening participants understanding of the theory of the Marzano Instructional Framework. The face-to-face portion of the training allows participants to practice key skills needed to accurately capture teachers' proficiency in utilizing instructional strategies and engages participants in learning how to effectively develop actionable, growth feedback to build teachers' expertise. Job-embedded instructional framework calibration sessions are also facilitated to differentiate support and provide administrator and instructional leadership teams opportunities to calibrate their ratings and feedback. Learning Community supervisors, principals, and assistant principals engage in calibration walks throughout the year. Web-based conferences are provided throughout the year to support administrators with the evaluation process. School leaders are also engaged in professional learning centered on leading standardsbased instruction, focusing on the connections between the evaluation model, standards-based instruction, actionable growth feedback, and coaching supports for instructional personnel. Every two years trained observers are recertified to ensure calibrated evaluator accuracy. During recertification, observers engage in interactive, collaborative calibration sessions and must demonstrate proficiency with the evaluation model through an assessment that utilizes classroom videos in the elementary and secondary setting.

## **Timely Feedback**

Teachers are provided timely feedback that is given regular by a team of observers. Observers who provide feedback during informal and formal observations must be on the published observer list. Peer observations are utilized by school teams to allow teachers to observe other teachers using the observation tool; however, that feedback is not available to be viewed by an evaluating administrator. It is seen only by the peers who engaged in the process together. Teachers are electronically notified when any feedback is entered into the system. The Evaluation Manual establishes OCPS' timeline for feedback.

## **Policies and Procedures**

Orange County Public Schools regularly meets with members of the bargaining committee, which is comprised of both teachers and administrators from various levels and buildings in the district. The <a href="Evaluation Manual">Evaluation Manual</a> for Teacher Evaluation is a guide that is consistent with the language of the contract; however, it is focused on the practical aspect of implementing the model. The manual is published on the district website.

All policies and contract language is reflective of the appropriate Florida statutes. Some of those statutes are referenced here. Florida Statute 1012.34(3)(d) allows that the evaluator may amend an evaluation based upon assessment data from the current school year if that data becomes available within 90 days after the close of the school year. The evaluator must comply with the notifications procedures set forth in paragraph (c) which requires the individual responsible for supervising the employee to re-assess the employee's performance. The evaluator must submit a written report of the re-assessment to the district school superintendent for the purpose of reviewing the employee's contract. The evaluator must submit the written report to the employee no later than 10 days after the assessment takes place. The evaluator must discuss the written report of assessment with the employee. The employee shall have the right to initiate a written response to the assessment, and the response shall become a permanent attachment to his or her personnel file. Evidence for compliance with these statutes can be found in the use of the iObservation system, which houses and makes available for review the observations that have been conducted since using the model. The system also assures that teachers are notified immediately when feedback is added so they may review it promptly, add comments if desired and upload any supporting documentation.

The policies and procedures for teacher evaluation outline the process for assigning teachers to categories. They explain the rating system and final scoring as well as the procedures for assigning teachers to Category 3 if performance falls below the appropriate level.

## **Evaluation Data to Develop Professional Development**

The district reviews observation and student data to develop a professional development plan for teachers and administrators, including strategic, district-wide professional learning. The school administrator model contains a section on using observation data in planning professional development to reinforce the vision for effective instruction. Varied professional development opportunities are offered in traditional, blended and virtual formats as well as job embedded professional development opportunities. For individual professional development, the Deliberate Practice process is used, as described earlier in this document. The Deliberate Practice process allows teachers to utilize their personal evaluation data to select an element of focus for their professional growth.

Regular communication and presentations are provided during principals' meetings to assure compliance with the policies, procedures and contract as it relates to teacher evaluation.

## **Evaluation Data and the School Improvement Plan**

Florida Statute 1012.34 (2)(a) requires evaluation systems for instructional personnel and school administrators to be designed to support effective instruction and student growth, and that performance evaluation results must be used to develop district and school improvement plans. The School Board of Orange County Public Schools has developed a dynamic strategic plan where the entire plan is hinged on establishing and maintaining an intense focus on student achievement. The expectation is that school improvement plans will be consistent with the eight-step process identified by the DOE and that in using that process the school improvement plans will be aligned to the district's strategic plan.

To assure this, school leaders participated in a professional development focused on writing a strong school improvement plan that connects student and observational data with plan for providing standards-aligned instruction to raise student achievement. The plans were submitted and reviewed by district administrators in the learning communities. Plans are monitored regularly and connected to the school leader evaluation model.

## Appendix A – Checklist for Approval

# **Performance of Students**

The district has provided and meets the following criteria:

For all instruc	tional personnel:
	The percentage of the evaluation that is based on the performance of students
	criterion.
Ц	An explanation of the scoring method, including how it is calculated and
	combined.  At least one-third of the evaluation is based on performance of students.
	•
	teachers newly hired by the district:
_	The student performance measure(s).
Ц	Scoring method for each evaluation, including how it is calculated and combined.
For all instruc	tional personnel, confirmed the inclusion of student performance:
	Data for at least three years, including the current year and the two years
	immediately preceding the current year, when available.  If less than the three most recent years of data are available, those years for
Ц	which data are available must be used.
	If more than three years of student performance data are used, specified the
	years that will be used.
For classroom	teachers of students for courses assessed by statewide, standardized
assessments:	touchers of students for courses assessed by state wide, standardized
	Documented that VAM results comprise at least one-third of the evaluation. For teachers assigned a combination of courses that are associated with the
	statewide, standardized assessments and that are not, the portion of the
	evaluation that is comprised of the VAM results is identified, and the VAM
	results are given proportional weight according to a methodology selected by
	the district.
For all instruct	tional personnel of students for courses not assessed by statewide, standardized
assessments:	
Ц	For classroom teachers, the district-determined student performance
П	measure(s) used for personnel evaluations.  For instructional personnel who are not classroom teachers, the district-
	determined student performance measure(s) used for personnel evaluations.
Instructional	<u>Practice</u>
The district ha	as provided and meets the following criteria:
For all instruc	tional personnel:
	The percentage of the evaluation system that is based on the instructional
	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·

	practice criterion.  At least one-third of the evaluation is based on instructional practice.  An explanation of the scoring method, including how it is calculated and
	combined.  The district evaluation framework for instructional personnel is based on contemporary research in effective educational practices.
For all instruc	tional personnel: A crosswalk from the district's evaluation framework to the Educator Accomplished Practices demonstrating that the district's evaluation system contains indicators based upon each of the Educator Accomplished Practices.
For classroom	teachers: The observation instrument(s) that include indicators based on each of the Educator Accomplished Practices.
For non-classi	room instructional personnel:  The evaluation instrument(s) that include indicators based on each of the Educator Accomplished Practices.
For all instruc	tional personnel: Procedures for conducting observations and collecting data and other evidence of instructional practice.
Other Indicat	tors of Performance
The district ha	as provided and meets the following criteria:
	Described the additional performance indicators, if any.  The percentage of the final evaluation that is based upon the additional indicators.  The scoring method, including how it is calculated and combined.
Summative E	<u>Svaluation Score</u>
The district ha	as provided and meets the following criteria:
	Summative evaluation form(s). Scoring method, including how it is calculated and combined. The performance standards used to determine the summative evaluation rating (the four performance levels: highly effective, effective, needs improvement/developing, unsatisfactory).
	Summative evaluation form(s). Scoring method, including how it is calculated and combined. The performance standards used to determine the summative evaluation rating (the four performance levels: highly effective, effective, needs improvement/developing, unsatisfactory).
Additional R	Summative evaluation form(s). Scoring method, including how it is calculated and combined. The performance standards used to determine the summative evaluation rating (the four performance levels: highly effective, effective, needs improvement/developing, unsatisfactory).

to review their class rosters for accuracy and to correct any mistakes.  Documented that the evaluator is the individual who is responsible for supervising the employee.  Identified additional positions or persons who provide input toward the evaluation, if any.
 training programs: Processes to ensure that all employees subject to an evaluation system are informed on evaluation criteria, data sources, methodologies, and procedures associated with the evaluation before the evaluation takes place. Processes to ensure that all individuals with evaluation responsibilities and those who provide input toward evaluation understand the proper use of the evaluation criteria and procedures.
Processes for providing timely feedback to the individual being evaluated.  Description of how results from the evaluation system will be used for professional development.  Requirement for participation in specific professional development programs by those who have been evaluated as less than effective.  All instructional personnel must be evaluated at least once a year.  All classroom teachers must be observed and evaluated at least once a year.  Newly hired classroom teachers are observed and evaluated at least twice in the first year of teaching in the district.
Inclusion of opportunities for parents to provide input into performance evaluations when the district determines such input is appropriate.  Description of the district's criteria for inclusion of parental input.  Description of manner of inclusion of parental input.  Identification of the teaching fields, if any, for which special evaluation procedures and criteria are necessary.  Description of the district's peer assistance process, if any.
nation Procedures
<ul> <li>That its evaluation procedures comply with s. 1012.34(3)(c), F.S., including:</li> <li>That the evaluator must submit a written report of the evaluation to the district school superintendent for the purpose of reviewing the employee's contract.</li> <li>That the evaluator must submit the written report to the employee no later than 10 days after the evaluation takes place.</li> <li>That the evaluator must discuss the written evaluation report with the</li> </ul>

> That the employee shall have the right to initiate a written response to the

employee.

	evaluation and the response shall become a permanent attachment to his or her personnel file.
	•
District Self	Monitoring
The district s	elf-monitoring includes processes to determine the following:
The district s	elf-monitoring includes processes to determine the following:  Evaluators' understanding of the proper use of evaluation criteria and procedures, including evaluator accuracy and inter-rater reliability.
The district s	Evaluators' understanding of the proper use of evaluation criteria and
The district s	Evaluators' understanding of the proper use of evaluation criteria and procedures, including evaluator accuracy and inter-rater reliability.  Evaluators provide necessary and timely feedback to employees being