Kentucky Framework for Personnel Evaluation

EVALUATION PLAN REVIEW COMMITTEE

KRS 156.577 requires a committee composed of equal numbers of administrators and teachers to develop evaluation procedures and forms. The purposes of Caldwell County’s Evaluation Plan Review Committee shall be: (1) to review the certified employee evaluation plan as adopted by the Board of Education; and (2) recommend improvements/changes.

A teacher and/or an administrator representing each school, and central office personnel will serve on the evaluation plan review committee. The evaluator of each school will designate the teacher representative.

The committee is advisory only: It neither complements nor supplements that which is required of the Board.

PURPOSE FOR EVALUATION

The purposes of the Caldwell County Schools’ Performance Evaluation are to:
A: Improve instruction for all learners.
B: Provide a system of performance accountability of all certified employees.
C: Provide a means for certified employees to improve their performance.
D: Support individual personnel decisions.
The Caldwell County Board of Education hereby assures the Commissioner of Education that:

This evaluation plan was developed by an evaluation committee composed of an equal number of teachers and administrators (KRS 156.557).

Philip Noel, CCHS Teacher
Nate Huggins, Superintendent
Kelly Byrd, Director of Special Education
Gretchen Wetzel, Director of Instruction
Mandy Hooks, CCMS Teacher
Staci Jones, CCES Teacher
Pollyanne Kimmel, CCMS Teacher
Ronnie Martin, CCES Principal
Layne Ramey, CCES Teacher
Pam Dunbar, CCES Teacher/CCEA President
Christy Phelps, CCHS Principal
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Daniel Bean, CCPS Principal
Allison Seymore, CCPS Teacher
Steve Smiley, CCMS Principal

The evaluation criteria and process used to evaluate certified school personnel shall be explained to and discussed with the evaluatee no later than the end of the evaluatee’s first thirty (30) calendar days of reporting for employment each school year. (704 KAR 3:370)

All certified school personnel who have not attained continuing service status shall receive an annual summative evaluation. (KRS 156.557)
All certified school personnel who have attained continuing service status shall receive a summative evaluation at least once every three (3) years. (KRS 156.557)

Each evaluator will be trained, tested, and approved in the use of appropriate evaluation techniques (KRS 156.557).

This plan requires a summative evaluation of certified school personnel to be documented in writing and to be included in the evaluatee’s official personnel record. (704 KAR 3:370)

The local evaluation plan provides for the right to a hearing as to every appeal, an opportunity to review all documents presented to the evaluation appeals panel, and a right to presence of evaluatee’s chosen representative (KRS 156.557).

The evaluation plan process will not discriminate on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, religion, sex, disability, or ANY other protected characteristic, as required by all applicable federal, state, and local law.

The local board of education shall review, as needed, the district’s certified evaluation plan to ensure compliance with KRS 156.557 and this administrative regulation. If a source of evidence is added or removed from the certified evaluation plan or if a decision rule or calculation is changed in the summative rating formula, the revised certified evaluation plan shall be reviewed and approved by the local board of education. If the local board of education determines the changes do not meet the requirements of KRS 156.557, the certified evaluation plan shall be returned to the certified evaluation committee for revision.

The local board of education approved the evaluation plan as recorded in the minutes of the meeting held on _____________ (Date). (704 KAR 3:370)

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Signature of District Superintendent                    Date

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Signature of Chairperson, Board of Education             Date
Caldwell County Certified Evaluation Plan Process

Employee Orientation to the Certified Evaluation plan
Annually, evaluators are to familiarize certified personnel whom they will be evaluating with the district’s Certified Evaluation Plan within **30 calendar days** of reporting for employment. The annual review will include providing either a hard copy or electronic copy of the plan to all new employees and to ANY returning employee who requests one. The contents of the plan must be reviewed with each employee prior to ANY observation/evaluation process.

The annual review shall be an explanation of the contents of the evaluation plan, including the evaluation standards and performance criteria for teachers/administrators. Each building principal or designee is responsible annually for developing and explaining to building personnel the Kentucky Framework for Teaching: Domains, Components, Performance Levels, elements, Indicators, Critical Attributes, and other Performance Criteria/Standards in the Certified Evaluation Plan, as well as ANY criteria that are building specific, based on the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (CSIP). The Principal is responsible annually for developing and explaining to the assistant principals the EVALUATION PLAN process and Principal Performance Standards in the Certified Evaluation plan, as well as ANY criteria that are building specific, based on the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (CSIP) and Comprehensive District Improvement Plan (CDIP). The superintendent or designee is responsible annually for developing and explaining to the principal's the EVALUATION PLAN process and Principal Performance Standards in the Certified Evaluation plan, as well as ANY criteria that are building specific, based on the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (CSIP) and Comprehensive District Improvement Plan (CDIP). The superintendent or designee is responsible annually for developing and explaining to district administrators the EVALUATION PLAN process for district administrators and the performance standards in the Certified Evaluation plan, as well as ANY criteria that is district specific, based on the Comprehensive District Improvement Plan (CDIP).
**Caldwell County Schools’ Certified Evaluation Plan**

The vision for the Certified Evaluation Plan (EVALUATION PLAN) is to have every student taught by an effective teacher and every school led by an effective leader. The goal is to create a fair and equitable system to measure teacher and leader effectiveness and act as a catalyst for professional growth.

704 KAR 3:345; Section 4; (2) (a) The immediate evaluator of the certified school employee shall be designated the primary evaluator. Additional trained administrative personnel, selected by the primary evaluator, may be used to observe and provide information to the primary evaluator.

**Roles and Definitions**

1. **Administrator:** An EPSB certified administrator who devotes the majority of employed time in the role of principal, for which administrative certification is required by the Education Professional Standards Board pursuant to 16 KAR 3:050.
2. **Artifact:** A product of a certified school personnel’s work that demonstrates knowledge and skills.
3. **Assistant Principal:** A certified school personnel who devotes the majority of employed time in the role of assistant principal, for which administrative certification is required by EPSB.
4. **Certified Administrator:** Certified school personnel, other than principal or assistant principal, who devotes the majority of time in a position for which administrative certification is required by EPSB.
5. **Certified Evaluation Plan:** The procedures and forms for evaluation of certified school personnel below the level of superintendent developed by an evaluation committee and meeting all requirements of the Kentucky Framework for Personnel Evaluation.
6. **Certified School Personnel:** A certified employee, below the level of superintendent, who devotes the majority of time in a position in a district for which certification is required by EPSB.
7. **Contributor:** One who holds a position in relation to the evaluatee that makes it possible to provide consultation and assistance to the evaluatee and/or evaluator.
8. **Conference:** A meeting between the evaluator and the evaluatee for the purposes of providing feedback, analyzing the results of an observation or observations, reviewing other evidence to determine the evaluatee’s accomplishments and areas for growth, and leading to the establishment or revision of a professional growth plan.
9. **Evaluatee:** Certified school personnel who is being evaluated.
10. **Evaluator:** The primary evaluator pursuant to KRS 156.557(5)(c)2.
11. **Evaluator certification:** successful completion of certified evaluation training to ensure that certified school personnel who serve as observers of evaluatees demonstrate proficiency in rating teachers and other professionals for the purposes of evaluation and feedback.
12. **Evidence:** Documents or demonstrations that indicate proof of a particular descriptor.
13. **Formal Observation:** A process of gathering factual information in the performance of duty, based upon predetermined criteria in the district evaluation plan. A formal
observation will be conducted openly and the evaluatee will have full knowledge of the observation.

14. **Formative Evaluation:** Is defined by KRS 156.557(1)(a). A continuous cycle of collecting evaluation information and providing feedback with suggestions regarding the certified employee’s professional growth and performance.

15. **Full Observation:** An observation conducted by a certified observer that is conducted for the length of a full class period or full lesson.

16. **Individual Corrective Action Plan (ICAP)/Improvement Plan:** A plan for improvement developed by the evaluator, in collaboration with evaluatee as a result of “Ineffective” rating(s) on the summative evaluation or documented unsatisfactory performance observed at ANY time during the school year. Specific assistance and activities are identified and progress monitored. The plan for improvement up to twelve months in duration for:
   a. Teachers and other professionals who are rated ineffective in overall professional practice.
   b. Principals who are rated ineffective in professional practice

17. **Impact Growth Goal:** A goal focused on the impact of the other school level professional on learning, that is specific, appropriate, realistic, and time-bound, that is developed collaboratively and agreed upon by the evaluatee and evaluator, and that uses local formative growth measures.

18. **Kentucky Framework for Personnel Evaluation:** the statewide framework a school district uses to develop a local certified school personnel evaluation system.

19. **Leadership Survey (such as Val Ed 360):** An assessment that provides feedback of a principal’s learning-centered behaviors by using input from the principal, his/her evaluator, and teachers.

20. **Mini Observation:** An observation conducted by a certified observer for approximately 20-30 minutes in length.

21. **Observation:** a data collection process conducted by a certified evaluator, in person or through video, for the purpose of evaluation, including notes, professional judgments, and examination the data collected during one (1) or more classroom or worksite visits of ANY duration.

22. **Other Professionals:** Certified school personnel, except for teachers, administrators, assistant principals, or principals for which certification is required by the EPSB pursuant to 16 KAR 3:050. This includes but not limited to school level guidance counselors, library media specialists, school psychologists, speech language pathologists, and school level instructional specialists.

23. **Peer observation:** Optional observation and documentation by certified school personnel below the level of principal or assistant principal and trained to perform such observations.

24. **Performance Criteria:** The areas, skills, or outcomes on which certified school personnel are evaluated as described in KRS 156.557(4).

25. **Performance Measure:** One (1) of four (4) measures defined in the Kentucky Framework for Personnel Evaluation. Measures include planning, environment, instruction, and professionalism.

26. **Performance Rating:** The rating for each performance measure for a teacher, other professional, principal, or assistant principal as determined by the local district certified
evaluation plan aligned to the Kentucky Framework for Personnel Evaluation. Ratings shall be exemplary, accomplished, developing, and ineffective.
  o “Exemplary”: consistently exceed expectations for effective performance
  o “Accomplished”: consistently meets expectations for effective performance
  o “Developing”: inconsistently meets expectations for effective performance
  o “Ineffective”: consistently fails to meet expectations for effective performance

27. **Personnel Evaluation System or System:** An evaluation system to support and improve the performance of certified school personnel that meets the requirements of KRS 156.557 and that uses clear and timely formative feedback to guide professional growth.

28. **Principal:** Certified school personnel who devotes the majority of employed time in the role of principal, for which administrative certification is required by the Education Professional Standards Board pursuant to 16 KAR 3:050.

29. **Professional Growth Plan:** An individualized plan for a certified personnel that is focused on improving professional practice and leadership skills, aligned with the Kentucky Framework for Teaching and the specific goals and objectives of the school improvement plan or the district improvement plan, built using a variety of sources and types of data that reflect student needs and strengths, evaluatee data, and school and district data, produced in consultation with the evaluator. The plan includes: (a) Goals for professional learning; (b) Objectives or targets aligned to the goals; (c) An action plan for achieving the objectives or targets and a plan for monitoring progress; (d) A method for evaluating success; and (e) The identification, prioritization, and coordination of presently available school and district resources to accomplish the goals.

30. **Self-Reflection:** The process by which certified personnel assesses the effectiveness and adequacy of their knowledge and performance for the purpose of identifying areas for professional learning and growth.

31. **Sources of Evidence or Source of Evidence:** The district-approved evidence aligned to the performance measure and used by evaluators to inform performance measure ratings listed in Section 8 of this administrative regulation.

32. **Student Growth Goal:** A goal focused on learning, that is specific, appropriate, realistic, and time-bound, that is developed collaboratively and agreed upon by the evaluatee and evaluator, and that uses local formative growth measures.

33. **Student Voice Survey:** A student perception survey that is administered to a group of students to provide data on specific aspects of the instructional environment and professional practice of the teacher or other professional evaluatee.

34. **Summative Evaluation:** Is defined by KRS 156.557(1)(d). The summary of, and conclusions from the evaluation data, including formative evaluation data that:
   a. Occur at the end of an evaluation cycle; and
   b. Include a conference between the evaluator and the evaluated certified employee and a written evaluation report.

35. **Summative rating:** The overall rating for certified school personnel below the level of superintendent as determined by the district certified evaluation plan aligned to the Kentucky Framework for Personnel Evaluation.
36. **Teacher:** Certified school personnel who has been assigned the lead responsibility for student learning in a classroom, grade level, subject, or course and holds a teaching certificate pursuant to 16 KAR 2:010 or 16 KAR 2:020. Includes preschool and alternative settings certified teachers. KTIP, non-tenured, tenured, special educator

37. **TELL Kentucky:** A working conditions survey of all school staff conducted every two years to provide feedback on specific aspects of the school’s work environment.

For Additional Definitions and Roles, please see 704 KAR 3:370
PRINCIPAL AND ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS
CERTIFIED EVALUATION PLAN
Principal and Assistant Principals

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Overview and Summative Model

The following graphic outlines the summative model for the Principal/Assistant Principal Certified Evaluation Plan. Evaluators will look for trends and patterns in practice across multiple types of evidence and apply their professional judgment based on this evidence when evaluating a principal or assistant principal. The role of evidence and professional judgment in the determination of ratings on the four (4) Performance Measures: Planning, Environment, Instruction, and Professionalism as well as the overall rating is paramount in this process. However, professional judgment must be grounded in the common Kentucky Principal Performance Standards and Performance Measures.
The Kentucky Principal Performance Standards are designed to support student achievement and professional best practice through the standards of Instructional Leadership; School Climate; Human Resource Management; Organizational Management; Communication & Community Relations; and Professionalism. Included in the Kentucky Principal Performance Standards are performance indicators that provide examples of observable, tangible behaviors that provide evidence of each standard. The Kentucky Principal Performance Standards provide the structure for feedback for continuous improvement through individual goals that target professional growth, thus supporting overall student achievement and school improvement. Evidence supporting a principal's or assistant principal's professional practice will be situated within one or more of the six standards. Performance will be rated for each standard according to the four performance levels: Ineffective, Developing, Accomplished, and Exemplary. It is projected that most principals or assistant principals will maintain an Accomplished rating, but will occasionally have exemplary performance on standards at ANY given time. The
summative rating will be a holistic representation of performance, combining data from multiple sources of evidence across each standard.

The use of professional judgment based on multiple sources of evidence promotes a more holistic and comprehensive analysis of practice, rather than over-reliance on one individual data point or rote calculation of practice based on predetermined formulas. Evaluators will also take into account how principals respond to or apply additional supports and resources designed to promote student learning, as well as their own professional growth and development. Finally, professional judgment gives evaluators the flexibility to account for a wide variety of factors related to individual principal performance. These factors may include school-specific priorities that may drive practice in one standard, an educator’s number of goals, experience level and/or leadership opportunities. Contextual variables may also impact the learning environment, such as unanticipated outside events or traumas. However, evaluators must use the following categories of evidence in determining the Kentucky Principal Performance Standards ratings:

- **Required Sources of Evidence**
  - Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Plan
  - Site-Visit(s)

Evaluators may use the following categories of evidence in determine overall ratings:

- Other Measures of Student Learning
- Products of Practice
- Local student growth goals
- Leadership Survey –example: Val-Ed 360°
- Working Conditions Goal (Based on TELL KY)
- Accountability/School Report Card data
- Student Growth Data
- SBDM Minutes
- Faculty Meeting Agendas and Minutes
- PLC Agendas and Minutes
- Professional Organization Memberships
- Other Sources (e.g. parent surveys)

### Principal or Assistant Principals Products of Practice/Other Sources of Evidence

Principals/Assistant Principals may provide additional evidences to support assessment of their own professional practice. These evidences should yield information related to the Principal /Assistant Principals’ practice within the Kentucky Principal Performance Standards.

- **Required Sources of Evidence**
  - Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Plan
  - Site-Visit(s)

- Other sources of evidence may include (not a comprehensive list):
o Agenda and/or Minutes from:
  ● SBDM Meetings
  ● Faculty Meetings
  ● Department/Grade Level Meetings
  ● PLC Meetings
  ● Leadership Team Meetings
o Instructional Round/Walk-through documentation
o Budgets
o EILA/Professional Learning experience documentation
o Surveys
  ● Parent/Community
  ● Staff
  ● Students
  ● Leadership survey – i.e. Val-Ed
  ● Tell survey data
o Professional Organization memberships
o Parent/Community engagement events documentation
o School Schedules
o Local student growth goals
o Working conditions growth goals
o Other information

Timeline for Principal or Assistant Principal Evaluation

Administrator and Superintendent/Designee will work together to implement the steps indicated on the timeline below.

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<td>Final approval of the Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Plan</td>
<td>No later than 90 work days from the first day employee reports for employment</td>
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<td>Review progress of the Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Plan. Modify professional growth plan as appropriate</td>
<td>On-going and/or Mid-Point Review</td>
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<td>Summative Overall Performance Evaluation – annual summative evaluation conference, evidences/artifacts, Overall Summative Performance Rating completed, all documents submitted for official personnel record, copy to employee who may include written response</td>
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<td>o If the leave of absence or late hire interrupts the ability to complete a component of the summative cycle by the established timeline, then the timeline may be adjusted by the principal’s or assistant principal’s immediate evaluator and/or the summative may be delayed the following year. The evidence collected previously in the incomplete year will transfer to the next year.</td>
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<td>o Administrators hired on or after November 1&lt;sup&gt;st&lt;/sup&gt;, may have adjusted timelines and requirements.</td>
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<td>o An Evaluation Adjustment Form must be completed in writing, signed/dated by evaluatee and evaluator, and approved by the Superintendent for all adjustments to timelines.</td>
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**Principal or Assistant Principals Professional Practice**

The following sections provide a detailed overview of the various sources of evidence used to inform Kentucky Principal Performance Standards Ratings for each principal/assistant principal.

**Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Planning**

The Professional Growth Plan will address realistic, focused, and measurable professional goals. The plan can be used to connect data from multiple sources including site-visit conferences, student
achievement, and professional growth needs identified through self-assessment and reflection. Self-reflection improves principal practice through ongoing, careful consideration of the impact of leadership practice on student growth and achievement.

- Completed by Principals and Assistant Principals in collaboration with his or her Evaluator or designee.
- All Principals and Assistant Principals will participate in self-reflection and professional growth planning each year in collaboration with his or her immediate evaluator or designee.
- The Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Planning will include self-reflection, professional growth goal, and professional growth plan.
- The plan will be submitted for approval to the principal’s or assistant principal’s immediate evaluator.
- The Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Plan will be completed and approved by the principal’s or assistant principal’s immediate evaluator no later than 90 work days from the first day the principal or assistant principal reports for employment.
- On-going reflection and/or a mid-point review will occur between Principals/Assistant Principals with his or her immediate evaluator to reflect and/or review progress towards the goals/plan.
- A Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Planning summative review will be completed, approved, and submitted no later than June 15.

**Principal and Assistant Principal Site-Visit**

Site visits are a method by which the superintendent/designee or principal may gain insight into the principal’s/assistant principal’s practice in relation to the standards. During a site visit, the superintendent/designee or principal will discuss various aspects of the job with the principal or assistant principal, and will use the principal’s/assistant principal’s responses to determine issues to further explore with the faculty and staff.

Site visits are conducted by the superintendent or designee for each principal every year, and utilize the following protocol(s):

- Formal site visits will occur at a minimum of once per year to be completed no later than June 15th.
- The formal site visits will focus at minimum on the principal’s/assistant principal’s targeted Kentucky Principal Performance Standard(s).
- Following a formal site visit, a post-visit conference shall occur within five (5) working days. During the post-visit conference, evidence towards the principal’s/assistant principal’s targeted performance standard(s) will be reviewed.
- Post-visit conference documentation along with supporting evidence may be documented using the local evaluation committee and local board of education approved template/forms.


**Overall Summative Rating Process**

A principal’s/assistant principal’s Overall Performance Rating is determined by the evaluator based on four (4) Performance Measures: Planning, Environment, Instruction, and Professionalism. Each Performance Measure is supported by one or more of the Kentucky Principal Performance Standards:

- Instruction Performance Measure Rating is aligned to Standard 1: Instructional Leadership
- Environment Performance Measure Rating is aligned Standard 2: School Climate and Standard 5: Communication & Community Relations
- Planning Performance Measure Rating is aligned to Standard 3: Human Resource Management and Standard 4: Organizational Management
- Professionalism Performance Measure Rating is aligned to Standard 6: Professionalism

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- Using the sources of evidence for principals/assistant principals, evaluators will use professional judgment to determine a rating for each of the KY Principal Performance standard(s).
- The Principals/assistant principals must provide copies of sources of evidence for the identified targeted Kentucky Principal Performance Standards for the year to the superintendent or designee. The superintendent or designee will determine if copies of sources of evidence are needed to support non-targeted Kentucky Principal Performance Standard(s).
- Each Performance Measure is rated as Exemplary, Accomplished, Developing, or Ineffective based on the ratings for the KY Principal Performance Standards. Each Performance Measure will be rated Exemplary, Accomplished, Developing, or Ineffective based on the final Kentucky Principal Performance Standard(s) rating:
  b. Standard 2: School Climate and Standard 5: Communication Community Relations = Performance Measure Environment Rating
  c. Standard 1: Instructional Leadership = Performance Measure Instruction Rating
d. Standard 6: Professionalism = Performance Measure Professionalism Rating

**Performance Measures Planning and Environment Only**

In order to determine the rating for the Planning Performance Measure and Environment Performance Measure, the following decision rules will be applied.

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Once each of the four Performance Measures (Planning, Environment, Instruction, and Professionalism) have been rated Exemplary, Accomplished, Developing, or Ineffective, the superintendent or designee/principal or designee will use the following decision rules as a guide and professional judgement based on evidence to determine the principal’s/assistant principal’s final Overall Summative Rating.
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- The principal’s or assistant principal’s overall rating will be documented **no later than June 15th**
**Principal or Assistant Principal Professional Growth Plan and Summative Cycle**

Based on the Overall Summative rating, evaluators will determine the type of Professional Growth Plan required of the principal/assistant principal by applying the following Professional Growth Plan Model.

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*** NOTE: ALL DISTRICT APPROVED TEMPLATES AND FORMS ARE LOCATED IN THE DISTRICT LEVEL TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM. TEMPLATES AND FORMS CAN BE MODIFIED WITH DISTRICT APPROVAL. ***
## Sources of Evidence/Framework for Principal/Asst Principal Alignment

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CERTIFIED TEACHER AND OTHER CERTIFIED SCHOOL LEVEL PROFESSIONALS
CERTIFIED EVALUATION PLAN
The Certified Evaluation Plan for Teachers and Other School Level Professionals

The vision for the Certified Evaluation Plan is to have every student taught by an effective teachers and other school level professionals. The goal is to create a fair and equitable system to measure teacher and other school level professionals effectiveness and act as a catalyst for professional growth.

Overview and Summative Model

The following graphic outlines the summative model for teachers and other school level professionals Certified Evaluation Plan. Evaluators will look for trends and patterns in practice across multiple types of evidence and apply their professional judgment based on this evidence when evaluating a teacher and other school level professional. The role of evidence and professional judgment in the determination of ratings on the four (4) Performance Measures: Planning, Environment, Instruction, and Professionalism as well as the overall rating is paramount in this process. However, professional judgment must be grounded in the common Kentucky Framework for Teaching and Specialist Frameworks for Other School Level Professionals.
The Kentucky Framework for Teaching with Specialist Frameworks for Other School Level Professionals

The Kentucky Framework for Teaching is designed to support student achievement and professional practice through the domains of:

**Framework for Teaching**
- Planning and Preparation
- Classroom Environment
- Instruction

**Specialist Frameworks for Other Professionals**
- Planning and Preparation
- Environment
- Instruction/Delivery of Service
The Frameworks also include themes such as equity, cultural competence, high expectations, developmental appropriateness, accommodating individual needs, effective technology integration, and student assumption of responsibility. They provide structure for feedback for continuous improvement through individual goals that target student and professional growth, thus supporting overall school improvement. Evidence documenting professional practice is situated within one or more of the four domains of the framework. Performance is rated for each component according to four performance levels: Ineffective, Developing, Accomplished, and Exemplary. The summative rating is a holistic representation of performance, combining data from multiple sources of evidence across each domain.

The use of professional judgment based on multiple sources of evidence promotes a holistic and comprehensive analysis of practice, rather than over-reliance on one individual data point or rote calculation of practice based on predetermined formulas. Evaluators also take into account how educators respond to or apply additional supports and resources designed to promote student learning, as well as their own professional growth and development. Finally, professional judgment gives evaluators the flexibility to account for a wide variety of factors related to individual educator performance, such as school-specific priorities that may drive practice in one domain, an educator’s number of goals, experience level and/or leadership opportunities, and contextual variables that may impact the learning environment, such as unanticipated outside events or traumas.

Evaluators must use the following categories of evidence in determining overall ratings:

**Required Sources of Evidence**
- Professional Growth Planning and Self-Reflection
- Observation
- Student Voice

**Optional District Determined Sources of Evidence**
- Attendance/Punctuality
- Demonstration of Effective Planning of Curricula
- Other Sources

All components and sources of evidence related supporting an educator’s professional practice rating will be completed and documented to inform the Overall Performance Rating.

**Caldwell County Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Plan - PGP**

Reflective practices and professional growth planning are iterative processes. The teacher (1) reflects on his or her current growth needs based on multiple sources of data and identifies an area or areas for focus; (2) collaborates with his or her administrator to develop a professional growth plan and action steps; (3) implements the plan; (4) regularly reflects on the progress and impact of the plan on his or her professional practice; (5) modifies the plan as appropriate; (6) continues implementation and ongoing reflection; (7) and, finally, conducts a summative reflection on the degree of goal attainment and the implications for next steps.
The Professional Growth Plan addresses realistic, focused, and measurable professional goals. The plan connects data from multiple sources including classroom observation feedback, student achievement, and professional growth needs identified through self-assessment and reflection. In collaboration with the administrators, teachers identify explicit goals, which drive the focus of professional growth activities, support, and on-going reflection.

An employee’s Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Plan (PGP) must be aligned with the specific goals, objectives, and action plans of the Comprehensive School Improvement Plan (CSIP) and Professional Development plan, and the Evaluation Standards and Performance Criteria of the district evaluation system.

The Professional Growth Plan can be built as early as May 1 of the current year and no later than September 30th of the ensuing school year for continuing employees. The advantage of including the PGP in the spring for the next school year is that professional development activities tied to professional growth goals may be available for the certified employee during the summer before the next school year. The PGP must be completed with employees new to a building (newly hired or transferred employees) within 30 workdays of employee’s reporting for employment.

Implementation of the Professional Growth Plan is to begin as soon as the plan is completed and signed by both the evaluator and evaluatee. Signatures indicate knowledge of expectations.

- All certified teachers and other certified school level professionals will participate in reflective practices and professional growth planning each year.
- Documentation of reflective practices and professional growth planning will follow the district-determined process.
- All certified teachers and other certified school level professionals will use the Kentucky Framework applicable to their position:
  - Certified Teachers (including pre-school and alternative school teachers)—Kentucky Framework for Teaching
    - Based on the teaching method at the alternative school, some of the indicators may not be applicable to certified teachers within the alternative setting.
  - Counselors – Kentucky Framework for School Guidance Counselors
  - School Level Instructional Specialists – Kentucky Framework for Instructional Specialists
  - Librarians – Kentucky Framework for School Library Media Specialists
  - School Level Psychologists – Kentucky Framework for School Psychologists
  - Speech Language Pathologists – Kentucky Framework for Speech Language Pathologists
- The level of support is determined by the previous year’s Professional Growth Plan and Summative Cycle results.
- All certified teachers and other certified school level professionals new to the district with more than 4 years of experience will be on a one-year directed cycle.
- Returning part-time retired certified teachers and adjunct teachers who are hired in a part-time position or less than part-time position must complete the Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Planning annually.

## Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Planning Timeline

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| • Completed and Approved reflective practice and professional growth planning documentation based on type of Professional Growth Plan and Summative Cycle identified deadline (See below Professional Growth Plan and Summative Cycle) | Returning Certified Staff  
As early as May 1st, and no later than 30 calendar days of employee reporting for employment of the ensuing school year.  
or  
Newly Hired, Late Hired, or Transferred Certified Staff  
Within 30 calendar days of employee’s reporting for employment |
| • Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Plan along with supporting evidence may be documented using the local evaluation committee and local board of education approved platform. |   |
| • Implement action plan                                       | Immediately upon principal or designee approval of Professional Growth Plan |
| • Reflect on the Professional Growth Plan and modify the plan if appropriate with approval by the principal or designee | Ongoing |
| • Mid review of progress towards professional growth goal  
  o Reflection focused on status of action plan and professional growth goal  
  o Revise goals and/or action plans if needed  
  o Document reflection, revisions, and/or modifications  
• Submit review/revisions to principal or designee for approval.  
• Completed and Approved reflective practice and professional growth planning documentation along with supporting evidence may be documented using the local evaluation committee and local board of education approved platform. | Returning Certified Staff  
Mid-Year date to be established by principal or designee  
Newly Hired, Late Hired, or Transferred Certified Staff  
Date to be established by principal or designee |
- Complete a summative reflection focused on the level of goal attainment and implications for next steps.
- Submit summative reflection to principal or designee for approval.
- Completed and Approved reflective practice and professional growth planning documentation along with supporting evidence may be documented using the local evaluation committee and local board of education approved platform.

| No later than closing day and/or prior to development of a new PGP for the ensuing year. *If summative year of the evaluation cycle, no later than April 15 |

- Returning part-time retired certified teachers and adjunct teachers who are hired in a part-time position or less than part-time position must complete the Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Planning annually.
- Late Hires or Leaves of Absence
  - If a late hire or leave of absence interrupts the ability to complete the reflective practice and professional growth planning by the established timeline, then the reflective practice and professional growth planning timeline may be adjusted by the principal or designee with superintendent’s approval.
- Timeline will be modified based on ANY adjustment of the calendar year.
- An Evaluation Adjustment Form must be completed in writing, signed/dated by evaluate and evaluator, and approved by the Superintendent if timeline is modified.

**Caldwell County Schools Observation/Workplace Visit**

The observation process is one source of evidence to determine teacher effectiveness that includes evaluator observation for each certified teacher. Evaluator observations will use the same instruments. The evaluator observation will provide documentation and feedback to measure the effectiveness of a teacher’s professional practice. The principal or designee observations along with other supporting evidence will be used to inform a summative rating. The rationale for each type of observation is to encourage continued professional learning in teaching and learning through critical reflection.

The observation model must fulfill the following minimum criteria provided in 704 KAR 3:345 and KRS 156.557:

- Four observations in the summative cycle. A minimum of three observations conducted by the principal or designee.
- The selection of the third party observer shall be determined through mutual agreement by the principal or designee and the evaluator. A teacher who exercises this option shall do so, in writing to the evaluator, by no later than February 15 of the academic year in which the summative evaluation occurs. If the evaluator and evaluate have not agreed upon the selection of the third party observer within five (5) working days of the teacher’s written request, the evaluator shall select the third party observer.
• Observations may begin after the evaluation training takes place within 30 calendar days of reporting for employment.
• All monitoring or observation of performance of a certified school personnel member shall be conducted openly and with full knowledge of the personnel member.

All observation documentation along with supporting evidence shall be documented using the local evaluation committee and local board of education approved platform (i.e. paper/pencil, electronic template, or uploaded in V-Class).

**Caldwell County will use the following Observation/Workplace Visit Models:**

The following guidelines and timelines are based on the minimum requirements of the Caldwell County Certified Evaluation Plan. Principals may require additional observations at ANY point of the cycle.

**Observation Model for All Full-time Certified Teachers and Other School Level Professionals**

The Principal or designee will conduct a minimum of one mini observation of approximately 20-30 minutes. The principal or designee will conduct a minimum of one formal observation consisting of a full class or lesson observation. The summative year of the cycle will consist of a minimum of one formal principal or designee observation. The Observation Cycle including all documentation must be completed by April 15th of the summative year. The Principal or designee may conduct additional mini or full observations. Observations may begin after the evaluation training takes place within 30 calendar days of reporting for employment each school year.

• All observation documentation along with supporting evidence shall be documented using the local evaluation committee and local board of education approved platform (i.e. in writing within the certified personnel folder or KTIP intern management system)
• A minimum of one principal mini observation each year is all that is required for returning part-time retired certified teachers or adjunct teachers who are hired in a part-time position or less than part-time position.
• Teachers and other school level professionals may be selected to be on a one year directed cycle at the discretion of the principal.
• The Principal or designee may conduct additional mini or full observations.
• The Principal or designee will determine the schedule for the Observations/Workplace Visits.
• Late Hires or Leaves of Absence
  - If a late hire or leave of absence interrupts the ability to complete the observations/workplace visits by the established timeline, then the observation/workplace visits timeline may be adjusted by principal or designee.
  - An Evaluation Adjustment Form must be completed in writing, signed/dated by evaluate and evaluator, and approved by the Superintendent.

(a) One Year Certified Teacher/Other Certified School Level Professional on a One Year Directed Cycle, Guidance Counselors on a One-Year Self Directed Cycle, and Certified Teacher/Other Certified School Level Professionals with an Individual Corrective Action Plan (ICAP)/Improvement Plan Timeline (3 observations minimum in the 1-year cycle)

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<td>Principal/designated administrator</td>
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(b) Certified Teachers and Other School Level Professionals on a Three Year Self-Directed Cycle (3 observations minimum in the 3-year cycle)

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### Observation/Workplace Visit Conferencing

Observers will adhere to the following observation/workplace visit conferencing requirements.

1. **Mini Observations/Workplace Visit Conferencing:**
   - Pre-observation/workplace visit communication may occur through written electronic correspondence or face to face at the discretion of the principal.
   - If pre-observation/workplace visit communication is requested by the principal, correspondence must be completed a minimum of one (1) working day prior to the scheduled observation.
   - If pre-observation/workplace visit communication occurs and the teacher requests face to face communication, the principal must meet face to face.
   - Principal or designated administrator may complete a mini observation/workplace visit without pre-observation/workplace visit communication.
Post-observation/workplace visit communication may occur through written electronic correspondence or face to face at the discretion of the principal or designated administrator. The post-observation/workplace visit communications shall occur within five (5) working days following the observation/workplace visit.

(2) **Formal Observations/Workplace Visit Conferencing:**

- Pre-observation/workplace visit communication shall occur through either written electronic correspondence or face to face at the discretion of the principal or designated administrator.
- If the teacher or other school level professional requests pre-observation/workplace visit communication to occur face to face, the principal or designated administrator must meet face to face.
- Pre-observation/workplace visit communication must be completed a minimum of one (1) working day prior to the scheduled observation/workplace visit.
- Post-observation/workplace visit conference with the principal will occur face to face within five (5) working days following each formal observation/workplace visit.

  - All district approved pre-/post- conference forms and templates shall be posted to the district website. Pre-/post-conference forms may be modified by the principal or designated administrator.
  - All pre-/post- documentation along with supporting evidence may be documented using the local evaluation committee and local board of education approved platform.

**Evaluator Training**

All administrators serving as a primary evaluator for certified teachers or other school level professionals must complete the following training requirements prior to conducting observations/workplace visits for the purpose of evaluation:

1. A minimum of six (6) hours annually of the personnel evaluation system approved by the Effective Instructional Leadership Act (EILA). At minimum training in effective observation and conferencing techniques, providing clear and timely feedback, in establishing and assisting with a professional growth plan, and in summative decision techniques, KRS 156.557, shall occur yearly.
2. The initial certified evaluation training and testing provided by the Kentucky Department of Education or a provider approved by the department shall be completed by ANY first year evaluators

**Caldwell County’s Products of Practice/Other Sources of Evidence**

Teachers and other school level professionals may provide additional evidences to support assessment of their own professional practice. These evidences should yield information related to the teacher’s or other school level professionals practice within the domains.

Evidence provided in support of educator practice must include data from the following:

- Observations/workplace visits conducted by certified evaluator observer(s)
☐ self-reflection and professional growth plans
☐ Student Voice Survey for Certified Teachers

Additional evidence provided in support of educator practice may include ANYthing from the following list (not a comprehensive list):

☐ team-developed curriculum units
☐ lesson plans
☐ communication logs
☐ timely, targeted feedback from mini or informal observations
☐ student Voice Surveys
☐ student data records
☐ student work
☐ student formative and/or summative course evaluations/feedback
☐ minutes from PLCs
☐ teacher or other school level professional’s reflections and/or self-reflections
☐ teacher or other school level professional’s interviews
☐ teacher or other school level professional’s committee or team contributions
☐ parent engagement surveys
☐ records of student and/or teacher or other school level professional’s attendance
☐ video lessons/professional learning sessions/meetings
☐ engagement in professional organizations
☐ action research
☐ peer observation
☐ other

The above list is not comprehensive.

**Determining the Overall Summative Rating**

Evaluators are responsible for determining an Overall Summative Rating for each teacher and other school level professionals at the conclusion of the summative evaluation year. A teacher/other professional’s Overall Performance Rating is determined by the evaluator based on four (4) Performance Measures: Planning, Environment, Instruction, and Professionalism. Each Performance Measure rating is based on professional judgment informed by evidence that demonstrates the educator’s performance against the Kentucky Framework for Teaching and Specialist Frameworks for Other School Level Professionals Domains, district-developed rubrics, and decision rules that establish a common understanding of performance thresholds to which all educators are held. Performance will be rated for each Performance Measure according to four performance levels: Ineffective, Developing, Accomplished, and Exemplary.

The Kentucky Framework for Teaching and Specialist Frameworks for Other School Level Professionals stands as the critical rubric for providing educators and evaluators with concrete descriptions of practice associated with specific domains aligned to the four (4) Performance Measures. Each element describes a discrete behavior or related set of behaviors that educators and evaluators can prioritize for evidence-gathering, feedback, and eventually,
evaluation. Evaluators will organize and analyze evidence for each individual educator based on these concrete descriptions of practice and rate the teacher each Domain of the Kentucky Framework for teaching and Specialist Frameworks for Other School Level Professionals according to the four performance levels: Ineffective, Developing, Accomplished, and Exemplary.

Each of the four (4) Kentucky Framework for Teaching and Specialist Frameworks for Other School Level Professionals Domains align to each of the four (4) Performance measures shown within the following charts:

**Teacher Performance Measures aligned to the Kentucky Framework for Teaching:**

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**Other Professionals Performance Measures aligned to the Kentucky Framework for Teaching:**

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The process concludes with the evaluator’s analysis of evidence and the final assessment of practice in relation to performance described under each Domain and rated Performance Measure at the culmination of an educator’s cycle.

An educator’s **Overall Performance Rating** is determined using the following criteria for determining a teacher’s or other school level professional’s rating:

- Evaluators will determine the individual domain ratings (Exemplary, Accomplished, Developing, or Ineffective) using sources of evidence and professional judgment. Each Performance Measure will be rated Exemplary, Accomplished, Developing, or Ineffective based on the final Domain rating:
  a. Domain 1: Planning & Preparation Rating = Performance Measure Planning Rating
  b. Domain 2: The Classroom Environment/Environment Rating = Performance Measure Environment Rating
  c. Domain 3: Instruction/Delivery of Service = Performance Measure Instruction Rating
  d. Domain 4: Professional Responsibilities = Performance Measure Professionalism Rating

- Once each of the four Performance Measures (Planning, Environment, Instruction, and Professionalism) have been rated Exemplary, Accomplished, Developing, or Ineffective, the evaluator will use the following decision rules as a guide and professional judgement based on evidence to determine the teacher’s or other school level professional’s final Overall Summative Rating.

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If.... & Then.... \\
Two Performance Measures are rated Developing, and Two Performance Measures are rated Accomplished & The Overall Summative Rating shall be rated Accomplished \\
Two Performance Measures are rated Developing, and Two Performance Measures are rated Exemplary & The Overall Summative Rating shall be rated Accomplished \\
Two Performance Measures are rated Accomplished, and Two Performance Measures are rated Exemplary & The Overall Summative Rating shall be rated Accomplished \\
Two or more Performance Measures are rated Ineffective & The Overall Summative Rating shall be Ineffective \\
One Performance Measure is rated as Ineffective or Developing & The Overall Summative Rating shall not be ANY higher than Accomplished \\
Three or more Performance Measures are rated Developing & The Overall Summative Rating shall be Developing \\
Two Performance Measures are rating Developing, One Performance Measure rated Accomplished, and One Performance Measure rated Exemplary & The Overall Summative Rating shall not be ANY higher than Accomplished \\

- The evaluator will provide a summative rating for each Performance Measure based on evidence for all teachers and other school level professionals on a summative year no later than April 15.

- All summative rating documentation along with supporting evidence shall be documented using the local evaluation committee and local board of education approved platform (i.e. Paper copies, uploaded in V-Class, and/or CIITS).

- Leaves of Absence – Summative Overall Performance Rating requirements remain the same for Certified Teachers or Other Certified School Level Professionals on leave of absence; however, times may have to be adjusted as needed. If the leave of absence interrupts the ability to complete the summative cycle by the established timeline, then the summative may be delayed the following year. The evidence collected previously in the incomplete year will transfer to the next year.
Professional Growth Plan and Summative Cycle for Certified Teachers and Other Professionals

Based on the Overall Summative Performance Rating, the type of Professional Growth Plan and the length of the summative cycle will be determined using the charts below.

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• **New to the District Non-Tenured Certified Teachers and Other Professionals** will follow the One-Year Cycle Directed Growth Plan.

• **Returning Non-Tenured Certified Teachers and Other Professionals** will follow the One-Year Cycle Directed Growth Plan Cycle UNLESS the previous year’s Professional Practice Rating was INEFFECTIVE which would result in an UP to 12-Month IMPROVEMENT PLAN.
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**Sources of Evidence / Framework for Teaching Alignment**

**Sources of Evidence to Inform Professional Practice**

- Supervisor Observation
- Student Voice
- Professional Growth
- Self-Reflection
- Peer Observation

**Evidence (pre and post conferences)**

- Kentucky Student Voice Survey

**Observation**

- Professional Growth Planning and Self Reflection

**Evidence (pre and post conferences)**
OTHER CERTIFIED DISTRICT PERSONNEL
CERTIFIED EVALUATION PLAN
Other District Certified Personnel

The vision for the Certified Evaluation Plan is to have every school district led by an effective leadership team. The goal is to create a fair and equitable system to measure district administrator effectiveness and act as a catalyst for professional growth.

Overview and Summative Model

The following graphic outlines the summative model for the Other Certified District Personnel Certified Evaluation Plan.

Evaluators will look for trends and patterns in practice across multiple types of evidence and apply their professional judgment based on this evidence when evaluating a certified district employee. The role of
Determining Other Certified District Personnel Performance Standards

Each Certified District Staff member along with his or her evaluator will collaborate to determine the best standards based on the job responsibilities of the position held. For example, the Chief Academic Officer in collaboration with the District Superintendent may decide to use the Superintendent Effectiveness Standards as the focus of his or her Certified Evaluation Plan process for the year. The standards must be nationally recognized as well as grounded in research for district and school improvement (I.E. Kentucky NxG Superintendent Effectiveness Standards, Council for Exceptional Children Advanced Professional Standards: Special Education Administration Specialist or Gifted Education; or Kentucky Framework for Teaching Specialist Framework for Other Professionals). The Performance Standards provide the structure for feedback for continuous improvement through individual goals that target professional growth, thus supporting overall student achievement and school improvement. Evidence supporting a certified District staff member’s professional practice will be situated within one or more of the standards. Performance will be rated for each standard according to the four performance levels: Ineffective, Developing, Accomplished, and Exemplary. It is projected that most certified District staff members will maintain an Accomplished rating, but will occasionally have exemplary performance on standards at ANY given time. The summative rating will be a holistic representation of performance, combining data from multiple sources of evidence across each standard.

- NOTE: If both the evaluator and evaluatee identify standards other than the following, both the evaluator and evaluatee must conduct an alignment of the Performance Criteria which are the Standards to the Four (4) Performance Measures: Planning, Environment, Instruction, and Professionalism.
  - Kentucky NxG Superintendent Effectiveness Standards;
  - Council for Exceptional Children Advanced Professional Standards: Special Education Administration Specialist
  - Council for Exceptional Children Advanced Professional Standards: Gifted Education
  - Kentucky Framework for Teaching Specialist Framework for Other Professionals
- The alignment must be approved by the Caldwell County Board of Education prior to ANY evaluation activities.

The use of professional judgment based on multiple sources of evidence promotes a more holistic and comprehensive analysis of practice, rather than over-reliance on one individual data point or rote calculation of practice based on predetermined formulas. Evaluators will also take into account how the certified District staff member responds to or apply additional supports and resources designed to promote student learning, as well as their own professional growth and development. Finally, professional judgment gives evaluators the flexibility to account for a wide variety of factors related to individual certified District staff member performance. These factors may include district-specific...
priorities that may drive practice in one standard, an educator’s number of goals, experience level and/or leadership opportunities. Contextual variables may also impact the learning environment, such as unanticipated outside events or traumas.

However, evaluators must use the following categories of evidence in determining overall ratings:

- **Required Sources of Evidence**
  - Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Plan
  - Workplace Visit

Evaluators may use the following categories of evidence in determining overall ratings:

- **Other Measures of District/School Improvement**
- **Products of Practice**
- **Local Impact Goal data**
- **Other Sources (e.g. parent surveys)**

### Timeline for Other Certified District Personnel

| Evaluation Criteria and process used to evaluate shall be explained by Superintendent or immediate Evaluator | No later than thirty (30) calendar days from the first day employee reports for employment |
| Final approval of the Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Plan which includes Self-Reflection and Professional Growth Goal | No later than 90 workdays from the first day employee reports for employment |
| Review progress/reflections on growth/goals and modify professional growth plan as appropriate | On-going and/or Mid-Point Review |
| Workplace Visits - minimum of 1 *Late hires – hired after the last day in October – minimum of 1 | Certified District Personnel without Administration Certification – No later than April 15th Certified District Personnel with Administration Certification - No later than June 15th |
| Summative Overall Performance Evaluation – annual summative evaluation conference, evidences/artifacts, all documents submitted for official personnel record, copy to employee who may include written response | Certified District Personnel without Administration Certification – No later than April 15th Certified District Personnel with Administration Certification - No later than June 15th |

- Additional conferences may be held as deemed necessary to monitor the evaluation process.
- All dates are tentative based on the adjustment of the school calendar.
- Leavess of Absence – Summative Overall Performance Rating requirements remain the same for district personnel on leave of absence; however, times may have to be adjusted as needed. If the leave of absence interrupts the ability to complete the summative cycle by the established timeline, then the summative may be delayed the following year. The evidence collected previously in the incomplete year will transfer to the next year.
- An Evaluation Adjustment Form must be completed in writing, signed/dated by evaluate and evaluator, and approved by the Superintendent.
Other Certified District Personnel Professional Practice

The following sections provide a detailed overview of the various sources of evidence used to inform Professional Practice Ratings.

Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Planning

- Completed by District Staff member in collaboration with his or her Evaluator or designee.

The Professional Growth Plan will address realistic, focused, and measurable professional goals. The plan will connect data from multiple sources including workplace visits, conferences, and professional growth needs identified through self-assessment and reflection. Self-reflection improves an educational leader’s practice through ongoing, careful consideration of the impact of leadership practice on district and school improvement.

- All Certified District Staff member will participate in self-reflection and professional growth planning each year in collaboration with his or her immediate evaluator or designee.
- The Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Planning will include self-reflection, professional growth goal, and professional growth plan.
- The plan will be submitted for approval to the certified district staff member’s immediate evaluator or designee.
- The Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Plan will be completed and approved no later than 90 work days from the first day the certified district staff member reports for employment.
- On-going reflection and/or a mid-point review may occur between the district certified staff member with his or her immediate evaluator to reflect and/or review progress towards the goals/plan.
- A Reflective Practice and Professional Growth Planning summative review will be completed, approved, and submitted no later than April 15th for Certified District Personnel without Administration Certification or no later than June 15th for Certified District Personnel with Administration Certification.

Late Hires and Leaves of Absence

- Reflective practice and professional growth planning requirements remain the same for certified district personnel who are hired late or take a leave of absence; however, times may have to be adjusted as needed.
- If a late hire or leave of absence interrupts the ability to complete the reflective practice and professional growth planning by the established timeline, then the reflective practice and professional growth planning timeline may be adjusted.
- An Evaluation Adjustment Form must be completed in writing, signed/dated by evaluate and evaluator, and approved by the Superintendent.
Reflective practice and professional growth planning documentation along with supporting evidence may be documented using the local evaluation committee and local board of education approved platform.

**Other Certified District Personnel Workplace Visit**

Workplace visits are a method by which the superintendent or designee may gain insight into the certified district staff member’s practice in relation to the standards. During a workplace visit, the superintendent or designee will discuss various aspects of the job with the certified district staff member, and will use the district staff member responses to determine issues to further explore with the faculty and staff. Additionally, the district staff member may explain the successes and trials experienced in relation to school improvement. Workplace visits are conducted by the superintendent or designee for each district staff member every year, and utilize the following protocol(s):

- Workplace visit will occur at a minimum of once (1) per year to be completed no later than April 15 for certified district personnel without an administrator certification or June 15th for certified district personnel with administrator certification.
- The workplace visit will focus at minimum on the certified district staff member’s identified targeted performance standard(s).
- Following a workplace visit a post-visit conference shall occur. During the post-visit conference, evidence towards the district staff member’s identified targeted performance standard(s) will be reviewed.
- Post-visit conference documentation along with supporting evidence may be documented using the local evaluation committee and local board of education approved platform.
- Certified district personnel who are hired after the last day in October will have at a minimum one-site visit completed no later than April 15 for certified district personnel without an administrator certification or June 15th for certified district personnel with administrator certification.
- Late Hires and Leaves of Absence
  - If the late hire or leave of absence interrupts the ability to complete the formal site-visit by the established timeline, then the formal site-visit timeline may be adjusted.
  - An Evaluation Adjustment Form must be completed in writing, signed/dated by evaluate and evaluator, and approved by the Superintendent.

**Other Certified District Personnel Products of Products of Practice/Other Sources of Evidence**

Other certified district personnel may provide additional evidences to support assessment of their own professional practice. These evidences should yield information related to the other certified district staff member practice within the standards.

- Other sources of evidence may include (not a comprehensive list):
  - Board of education agenda and minutes
  - Professional learning agenda
Committee meeting agendas
- Comprehensive District Improvement Plan
- Department Agendas and Minutes
- PLC Agendas and Minutes
- Leadership Team Agendas and Minutes
- Instructional Round/Walk-through documentation
- Budgets
- Local Impact Goals
- EILA/Professional Learning experience documentation
- Surveys
- Professional Organization memberships
- Parent/Community engagement surveys
- Parent/Community engagement events documentation
- Assessment and accountability data
- Grant opportunities
- Curriculum documents
- Products of practice
- Evidences of facilitating professional learning opportunities
- Monitoring documentation
- Program implementation guides
- Schedule
- Other

**Determining the Overall Performance Rating for Other Certified District Personnel**

Evaluators are responsible for determining an Overall Performance Rating for each certified district staff member at the conclusion of their summative evaluation year. The Overall Performance Rating is informed by the evaluator based on four (4) Performance Measures: Planning, Environment, Instruction, and Professionalism. Each Performance Measure is supported by one or more of the identified standards. The following charts represent the alignment of standards to the four performance measures based on the Kentucky NxG Superintendent Effectiveness Standards; CEC Advance Standards: Special Education Administration Specialist Standards; CEC Advance Standards: Gifted Education; or Kentucky Framework for Teaching Specialist Frameworks for Other Professionals:

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- Using the sources of evidence for the Other Certified District Evaluatee, evaluators will use professional judgment to determine a rating for each of the Performance Criteria.
- The Other Certified District Evaluatee must provide copies of sources of evidence for the identified Standards for the year to the evaluator. The evaluator will determine if copies of sources of evidence are needed to support non-targeted Standard(s).
- Each Performance Measure is rated as Exemplary, Accomplished, Developing, or Ineffective based on the ratings for the Performance Criteria Standards.

**Performance Measures supported with more than on Performance Criteria Decision Rules**

When there are more than two Performance Criteria Standards aligned to a Performance Measure, the following decision rules will apply in order to determine the rating for the Performance Measure:

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| Performance Measures are rated Developing, and Two Performance Measures are rated Accomplished | Overall Summative Rating shall be rated Accomplished |
| Performance Measures are rated Developing, and two Performance Measures are rated Exemplary | Overall Summative Rating shall be rated Exemplary |
| Performance Measures are rated Accomplished, and two Performance Measures are rated Exemplary | Overall Summative Rating shall be rated Exemplary |
| or more Performance Measures are rated Ineffective | Overall Summative Rating shall be Ineffective |
| Performance Measure is rated as Ineffective or Developing | Overall Summative Rating shall not be ANY higher than Accomplished |
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**Other Certified District Personnel Professional Growth Plan and Summative Cycle**

Based on the Overall Performance rating, evaluators or designee will determine the type of Professional Growth Plan required of the certified district staff member by applying the following Professional Growth Plan Model.

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*** NOTE: ALL DISTRICT APPROVED TEMPLATES AND FORMS ARE LOCATED IN THE DISTRICT LEVEL TECHNOLOGY PLATFORM. TEMPLATES AND FORMS CAN BE MODIFIED WITH DISTRICT APPROVAL.***
Individual Corrective Action
Plan/Improvement Plan (ICAP), APPEALS, and CODE of ETHICS
Individual Corrective Action Plan/Improvement Plan (ICAP)

The development of an Individual Corrective Action Plan/Improvement Plan (ICAP) may happen at the evaluator’s discretion based on formative evaluation data, overall summative evaluation finding of “Ineffective”, and/or for other reasons (e.g. Code of Ethics Violations, etc...).

If an area of improvement is identified, the item must have a corresponding prescription, or action plan, to remediate or assist. This may be specifically noted and written on the post-observation conference forms, or an Individual Corrective Action Plan (ICAP) may be established. The ICAP may be written to ANY of the principal/assistant principal performance standards; Kentucky Framework for Teaching Domains, components, elements, performance levels, or indicators; or other certified district personnel identified performance standards.

During the conference, once an area of improvement has been noted and a plan has been developed, its implementation begins immediately. The primary responsibility for initiating activities and procedures in either an ICAP Form, is with the evaluatee, except as written otherwise and agreed upon during conferencing.

To make the evaluation process successful, a high level of commitment is needed by both the evaluatee and evaluator. The evaluatee is expected to proceed with the action plan in a self-directed way, and the evaluator is expected to provide assistance and regular monitoring of progress. If satisfactory progress is being achieved, few modifications, if ANY, will be called for. In this case, continue with the implementation process. For those evaluatees experiencing problems, it is important for additional time and support to be given by both evaluatee and evaluator to intensify efforts toward attainment of objectives/goals. Contacts other observations/workplace visits/site-visits/conferences shall be documented by the evaluator and a copy given to the evaluatee. It is recommended that short,
information conferences are held following these contacts. Lines of communication between evaluator(s) and evaluatee must be kept open in all phases of the evaluation process.

NOTE: It is the evaluator’s responsibility to document all actions taken to assist the evaluatee in improving performance towards Corrective Action Plan goals and objectives.

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This individual professional growth plan is aligned with the school improvement/transformation and/or professional
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* Professional Growth Plan Stages:
  O-Orientation/Awareness  A-Preparation/Application  I-Implementation/Management  R-Refinement/Impact

**OPPORTUNITY FOR RESPONSE**

Both parties in the Caldwell County evaluation system have the opportunity to make written comments
in spaces provided on Individual Corrective Action Plans and the Summative Evaluation form. Additional
written responses may also be made and attached. Signatures on evaluation forms merely indicate that
the evaluation process has been executed and do not necessarily indicate an agreement.

A copy of the evaluation shall be provided to the evaluatee. 704 KAR 3:345, Section 4(2) (e).
**APPEALS PROCESS**

For appeals to the local evaluation appeals panel, certified personnel shall have the:

1. Right to a hearing as to every appeal; and
2. Opportunity reasonably in advance of the hearing for the evaluator and evaluatee to adequately review all documents that are to be presented to the evaluation panel; AND
3. Right to presence of evaluatee’s chosen representative.

**Panel Members and Alternates**

Under procedures developed by the evaluation committee, a three (3) member panel shall be established to hear certified staff appeals from summative evaluations as required by law.

Two (2) members of the panel shall be elected by and from the certified employees of the District. Two (2) alternates shall also be elected by and from the certified employees, to serve in the event an elected member cannot serve. The Board shall appoint one (1) certified employee and one (1) alternate certified employee to the panel. All regular panel members and alternates shall be certified employees of the District at the time of appointment or election and during their term of office.

Panel members and their alternates shall serve without compensation. The terms of panel members and their alternates shall be one (1) year and run from July 1 to June 30. Members may be reappointed or re-elected. The chairperson of the panel shall be the board appointed certified employee.

Alternates shall serve when:

1. a panel member is ill.
2. a panel member is appealing to the panel.
3. a member of the panel member’s immediate family (defined as father, mother, brother, sister, husband, wife, son, daughter, uncle, aunt, nephew, niece, grandparent and corresponding in-laws) is appealing to the panel.
4. a panel member was the evaluator of the appellant.

**Appeals**

Pursuant to Board Policy 03.18, any certified employee who believes that s/he was not fairly evaluated on the summative evaluation may appeal within five (5) working days of receipt of the evaluation to the Evaluation Appeals Panel. Appeals submitted after the 5-day deadline shall be considered untimely and shall not be reviewed.

Appeals shall be conducted in accordance with the following procedures:

1. Both the evaluatee and evaluator shall submit three (3) copies of any appropriate documentation to be reviewed by members of the Appeals Panel in the presence of all three (3) members. Both parties shall be provided an opportunity to review all documentation five (5) days prior to the hearing. The members of the Appeals Panel will be the only persons to review the documentation. All documentation will be located in a secure place in the Central Office except during Appeals Panel meetings. Confidentiality will be maintained. Either party involved or the panel members shall not carry copies of the documentation away from the
established meeting.

2. Arrangements shall be made for the panel to meet to review pertinent documents after the regular school day. The panel shall be permitted to use school facilities and equipment needed to implement its duties.

3. The panel will meet, review all documents, discuss and prepare questions to be asked of each party by the Chairperson. Panel members may pose additional questions during the hearing.

4. The panel will set the time and place for the hearing, and the Chairperson will provide written notification to the appealing employee and his/her evaluator of the date, time and place to appear before the panel to answer questions.

5. A chosen representative may be present during the hearing to represent either or both parties.

6. For official records, the hearing will be audiotaped and a copy provided to both parties if requested in writing.

7. Only panel members, the evaluatee and evaluator, and a chosen representative will be present at the hearing.

8. Witnesses may be presented, but will be called one at a time and will not be allowed to observe the proceedings.

HEARINGS

The following procedures will be implemented during the hearings:

1. The Chairperson of the Appeals Panel will convene the hearing, review procedures and clarify the Panel’s responsibilities.

2. Each party will be allowed to make a statement of claim. The evaluatee will begin, followed by the evaluator.

3. The panel may question the evaluatee and evaluator.

4. The Chairperson may disallow materials and/or information to be presented or used in the hearing when he/she determines that such materials and/or information is not relevant to the appeal.

5. Each party (evaluator and evaluatee) will be asked to make closing remarks.

6. The Chairperson of the panel will make closing remarks.

7. The decision of the panel, after sufficiently reviewing all evidence, may include, but not be limited to, the following:
   a. Upholding all parts of the original evaluation
b. Voiding the original evaluation or parts of it

c. Ordering a new evaluation by a second certified employee

d. Removing the summative evaluation from the personnel file and placing a copy of the panel’s written findings in the file

e. Holding a hearing before the Board of Education

8. The chairperson of the panel shall present the panel’s decision to the evaluatee, evaluator and the Superintendent within ten (10) working days from the date an appeal is received. In the event that the evaluator is the Superintendent, the Panel’s recommendation shall go directly to the Board of Education.

9. The Superintendent shall act on the recommendation(s) of the panel. If the Superintendent was the evaluator and the recommendation of the Appeal’s Panel was presented to the Board, the Board shall review the Panel’s recommendation and render a final decision on the appeal.

10. The Superintendent or Board decision, as applicable, the Panel’s recommendation and the original summative evaluation form shall be placed in the employee’s evaluation file. In the case of a new evaluation, both evaluations shall be included in the employee’s personnel file.

11. The Panel’s decision may be appealed to the Kentucky Department of Education.

12. Neither a panel member nor an alternate may hear an appeal filed by his/her immediate supervisor.

CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS

Personnel evaluation records, specifically the personnel evaluation folder and its contents, will be kept as a part of the employee’s personnel file and will be treated with the same confidentiality as other personnel records. During an appeal/hearing, evaluation records will be kept in a secure location designated by the Superintendent.

ACCESSIBILITY OF RECORDS

Evaluation records will be accessible only to:

1. members of the District Evaluation Appeals Panel when an employee has appealed his/her summative evaluation to the Panel

2. administrators who supervise, or share the supervision of, the evaluatee. Generally, these administrators will include the Principal/Assistant Principal in the evaluatee's building, the Superintendent and other District level administrative staff members, as designated by the Superintendent

3. the Board, if the majority of Board members vote to request such access. Board members shall review evaluation records in a closed Board meeting in the presence of the Superintendent

4. Records may be subpoenaed in cases where litigation occurs
REFERENCES:
1 KRS 156.557; 704 KAR 003:370
703 KAR 005:225

RELATED POLICIES:
2 03.15; 03.16; 3.18 02.14

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Appeal Form – Certified Employee Personnel Evaluation

This form is to be used by certified employees who wish to appeal their performance evaluations to the Evaluation Appeals Panel.

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Name of Evaluator

Grounds for Appeal:

Substance – the accuracy or correctness of the content of the summative evaluation

Description

________________________________________________________________________

and/or

Grounds for Appeal:

Procedures – the adherence to district procedures/guidelines/timelines as related to the District’s evaluation plan

Description

________________________________________________________________________

If additional space is needed, attach extra sheet(s).

Date the summative evaluation was received

________________________________________________________________________

I hereby give my consent for my evaluation records to be presented to the members of the Evaluation Appeals Panel for their study and review. Further, I hereby agree to appear before the Evaluation Appeals Panel as necessary to justify and defend my appeal.

________________________________________________________________________

Employee’s Signature .......................................................... Date

“An Equal Opportunity Employer”

EVALUATION FOLDER

The evaluatee and evaluator shall each set up a school/district evaluation folder, which will hold the following:

- Reflective Practices and Professional Growth Plan(s)
- Evaluation forms/templates/evidences
● Pre-/Post-Observation Conference Formative Report Forms, as required
● Individual Corrective Action Plan(s), as needed
● Evaluatee or evaluator notes that may have a bearing upon the evaluation process
● Summative Conference Form, as required
● Summative Evaluation for Teacher, other professionals, principals evaluation forms

The above items will constitute the basic information, which will be used to complete the Summative Evaluation Report. The school evaluation folder will assist in keeping all evaluative information or data in good order.

At the end of the evaluatee’s evaluation cycle, as required, evaluators will cause to be placed in evaluatee’s folders at the Central Office, the originals of the Summative Evaluation Form(s) and all EVALUATION PLAN component forms/templates created during the evaluation cycle. This form is to be considered the official copy of the evaluatee’s performance report. (All KTIP and KPIP data is to be returned to the KTIP and KPIP District Coordinator(s), where it will become part of the evaluatee’s folder at Central Office.)

Notes:

1. For areas of strength, enrichment, and/or improvement, specific Standards and Criteria will be noted in the Formative Report form; either in narrative or by listing number and letter.
2. Prescription - Action plan, procedures, or activities for ANY area of improvement shall be written on the applicable form or attached to it.
3. No item regarding growth, poor or unacceptable performance may be listed on either Formative or Summative Form(s) unless it is written and a copy given to the evaluatee.
4. The evaluator’s notes, at his/her option, may be attached to Formative Forms. They become part of the official record and must be legible to both evaluator and evaluatee.
5. Records retention of the school (principal’s working) evaluation folder should be as follows:
   i. Seven years, including four years of annual evaluation data for employees on one year cycles without a continuing service status contract, and three years’ data from the evaluation cycle after employee has gone on a continuing service status contract;
   ii. Thereafter six years, which includes data from two evaluation cycles for certified employees on two consecutive three-year cycles.

CONFIDENTIALITY OF RECORDS

The personnel evaluation records, specifically the personnel evaluation folder and its contents, will be treated with the same confidentiality as other personnel records. The records will be accessible only to the evaluatee and administrators who supervise, or share the supervision of, the evaluatee. Generally, this will include the Principal and Assistant Principal in evaluatee’s building, the Superintendent, Curriculum Coordinator, and Program Coordinators.
Records may be subpoenaed in cases where litigation occurs. The records will be kept in the office of the Superintendent. Supportive data to the evaluation, which may be housed in the employee’s school folder and which has already been copied for the evaluator and evaluatee, may be subpoenaed in cases where litigation occurs.

Each evaluator is responsible for maintaining complete and timely records for all individuals under his/her supervision.

Kentucky Board of Education Appeals

According to 156.557 Section 9,

Section 9. (1) A certified employee who feels that the local district is not properly implementing the evaluation plan according to the way it was approved by the Kentucky Department of Education shall have the opportunity to appeal to the Kentucky Board of Education.

(2) The appeal procedures shall be as follows:

(a) The Kentucky Board of Education shall appoint a committee of three (3) state board members to serve on the State Evaluation Appeals Panel. Its jurisdiction shall be limited to procedural matters already addressed by the local appeals panel required by KRS 156.557(5). The panel shall not have jurisdiction relative to a complaint involving the professional judgmental conclusion of an evaluation, and the panel’s review shall be limited to the record of proceedings at the local district level.

(b) No later than thirty (30) days after the final action or decision at the local district level, the certified employee may submit a written request to the chief state school officer for a review before the State Evaluation Appeals Panel. An appeal not filed in a timely manner shall not be considered. A specific description of the complaint and grounds for appeal shall be submitted with this request.

(c) A brief, written statement, and other document which a party wants considered by the State Evaluation Appeals Panel shall be filed with the panel and served on the opposing party at least twenty (20) days prior to the scheduled review.

(d) A decision of the appeals panel shall be rendered within fifteen (15) working days after the review.

(e) A determination of noncompliance shall render the evaluation void, and the employee shall have the right to be reevaluated. (11 Ky.R. 1107; Am. 1268; eff. 3-12-85; 12 Ky.R. 1638; 1837; eff. 6-10-86; 15 Ky.R. 1561; 1849; eff. 3-23-89; 17 Ky.R. 116; eff. 9-13-90; 19 Ky.R. 515; 947; 1081; eff. 11-9-92; 20 Ky.R. 845; eff. 12-6-93; 23 Ky.R. 2277; 2732; eff. 1-9-97; 27 Ky.R. 1874; 2778; eff. 4-9-2001.)
Section 1. Certified personnel in the Commonwealth:

(1) Shall strive toward excellence, recognize the importance of the pursuit of truth, nurture democratic citizenship, and safeguard the freedom to learn and to teach;
(2) Shall believe in the worth and dignity of each human being and in educational opportunities for all;
(3) Shall strive to uphold the responsibilities of the education profession, including the following obligations to students, to parents, and to the education profession:

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<td>• Shall provide students with professional education services in a non-discriminatory manner and in consonance with accepted best practice known to the educator.</td>
<td>• Shall make reasonable effort to communicate to parent’s information, which should be revealed in the interest of the student.</td>
<td>• Shall exemplify behaviors, which maintain the dignity and integrity of the profession.</td>
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<td>• Shall respect the constitutional rights of all students.</td>
<td>• Shall endeavor to understand community cultures and divers home environments of students.</td>
<td>• Shall accord just and equitable treatment to all members of the profession in the exercise of their professional rights and responsibilities</td>
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<td>• Shall take reasonable measures to protect the health, safety, and emotional well-being of students.</td>
<td>• Shall not knowingly distort or misrepresent facts concerning education issues.</td>
<td>• Shall keep in confidence information acquired about colleagues in the course of employment, unless disclosure serves professional purposes or is required by law.</td>
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<td>• Shall not use professional relationships or authority with students for personal advantage.</td>
<td>• Shall distinguish between personal views and the views of the employing educational agency.</td>
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<td>• Shall keep in confidence information about students, which has been obtained in the course of professional service, unless disclosure serves professional purposes or is required by law.</td>
<td>• Shall not interfere in the exercise of political and citizenship rights and responsibilities of others.</td>
<td>• Shall apply for, accept, offer, or assign a position of responsibility only on the basis of professional preparation and legal qualifications.</td>
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<td>• Shall not knowingly make false or malicious statements about students or colleagues.</td>
<td>• Shall not use institutional privileges for private gain, for the promotion of political candidates, or for partisan political activities.</td>
<td>• Shall not knowingly falsify of misrepresent records of facts relating to the educator’s own qualifications of those of other professionals.</td>
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<td>• Shall refrain from subjecting Students to embarrassment or disparagement.</td>
<td>• Shall not accept gratuities, gifts, or favors that might impair or appear to impair professional judgment, and shall not offer ANY of these to obtain special advantage.</td>
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<td>• Shall not engage in ANY sexually related behavior with a student with or without consent, but shall maintain a professional approach with students. Sexually related</td>
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behavior shall include such behaviors as sexual jokes; sexual remarks; sexual kidding or teasing; sexual innuendo; pressure for dates or sexual favors; inappropriate physical touching, kissing, or grabbing; rape; threats or physical harm; and sexual assault.