Review of Certificated Staff Evaluations

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Overview

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Review of Criteria and Methods
Criteria and Methods

- Pursuant to Section 33-1004B(14), Idaho Code, a review of a sample of teacher evaluations must be conducted annually.

- Criteria for completing evaluations of certificated personnel in IDAPA 08.02.02.120 include:
  - Use of the state framework which is comprised of 22 components;
  - Two documented observations, the first conducted prior to January 1;
  - A measure of professional practice such as portfolio or student/parent feedback, and;
  - District/teacher selected measure of student performance.

- Phase One and Phase Two methods mirrored the 2015-2016 Review
Population and Data Sources

- 194 administrators randomly selected for review
- Sample of administrators purposefully represents the distribution of school administrators across the state of Idaho, including virtual schools
  - **Phase One:**
    - 808 files containing evaluations conducted on certificated staff
    - Survey designed to gauge individual perception of preparedness in conducting evaluations, and level of desire for additional training among administrators (n= 154)
  - **Phase Two:**
    - 48 administrators randomly selected for further on-site file review
    - Anonymous, voluntary survey for teachers designed to gauge perception of evaluation implementation, and level of desire for additional training among teachers (n=252)
Districts with Administrators Reviewed
2015-16 and 2016-17

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Findings

2016-17 Evaluations compared to 2015-16 Evaluations
Evaluations in which all 22 components of the framework standards were rated (n=785)

Compliance in scoring all components for instructional staff increased to 79% from the 59% found in the 2015-16 Evaluation Review.
Recent Evaluation Review shows an increase in compliance, up to 88% from 74% found in 2015-16 Evaluation Review.
Current report reflects and increase in compliance, up from 70% in showing evidence of other measures of Professional Practice.
Compliance in including a Student Performance measures decreased slightly from the 85% reported in 2015-16.
As expected, overall compliance found in the FY18 Review is similar to the FY17 Review, with a slight increase in “full compliance” up from 51%.
Administrator Survey Findings

- 54% Agree or Strongly Agree that they would like additional support/training in understanding code/rule around conducting evaluations, up 3% from last year

- 65% indicated a desire for more support and training in the Framework for Teaching (up 4% from last year) even though over 75% of administrators surveyed reported passing the Teachscape Proficiency training and test and expressed confidence in their evaluation skills

- 91% of administrators indicated that they regularly collected performance evidence to support evaluations, with 61% responding that they would like additional support/training in using evidence to accurately evaluate teachers

- 97% indicated that they regularly engaged in professional conversations about teacher practice stemming from observations/evaluation, with 57% responding that they would like additional support/training in facilitating those conversations (down from 62% reported last year)
Teacher Survey Findings

• 51% of the teachers returning the survey indicated a desire for more support and training in the Framework for Teaching

• 84% of teachers indicated confidence in their ability to provide evidence to support an accurate evaluation of each of the 22 components, though 53% reported a desire for additional training in this area

• 73% of teachers reported their administrators regularly collected evaluation evidence

• 73% of teachers reported their administrators regularly engaged with them in professional conversations about their practice

• 54% of teachers reported they would like more opportunities to receive feedback on their professional practice
Administrator Requirements
2013-2018

Evaluator Proof of Proficiency/Training Compliance

Recommendations Implemented
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<td><strong>08.02.02.120</strong> – Rule is amended to more specifically define the titles/roles of those who can conduct formal evaluations - however, requirement for training before evaluating and attaining proof of proficiency is consistent; all administrators in compliance prior to September 1, 2018 as prescribed by the recertification requirement called out in both 08.02.02.120 and 08.02.02.121</td>
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**Idaho Code 33-1004A – Experience and Education Multiplier**<br>(3) In determining the education factor, only credits earned after initial certification, based upon a transcript on file with the teacher certification office of the state department of education, earned at an institution of higher education accredited by a body recognized by the state board of education, shall be allowed; however, successful completion of a state approved evaluation training and proof of proficiency shall be counted as up to three (3) transcripted credits for determination of the education factor and meeting recertification requirements.  

**Idaho Code 33-1004B- Career Ladder**<br>33-1004B. CAREER LADDER. (14) ....Administrator certificate holders shall be required to participate in ongoing evaluation Statute ensures that in addition to one-time renewal requirement defined in IDAPA, proof of ongoing training in evaluation through a 3-credit class will be required going beyond original 2018 deadline. Primarily due to backing away from “Teachscape” requirement. |
### ADMINISTRATOR REQUIREMENTS FOR EVALUATION 2012-2018

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| 2017 | **Temporary Rule**  
Evaluator -- identification of the individuals responsible for observing or evaluating certificated instructional staff and pupil service staff performance. The individuals assigned this responsibility shall have received training in conducting evaluations based on the statewide framework for evaluations within the immediate previous five (5) years of conducting any evaluations. (8-31-17)T |  
Proof of proficiency (referring to Teachscape) no longer required, so language changed to reflect statute. |
FY16 and FY17 Evaluator Proof of Proficiency

• Evaluation Review FY16: 20% without verified proficiency

• Evaluation Review FY17: 23% without verified proficiency

• All With Administrative Assignments YTD: 38% without verified proficiency

• All Administrator Renewing Since FY16: 67% without verified proficiency
Evaluation Review Recommendations
Evaluator Training

• Workshops and “mock evaluation reviews” conducted in Fall 2017, scheduled for Spring 2018

• Defined competencies for 3-credit class for certificate renewal
  – Understanding professional practice in Idaho evaluation requirements, including gathering accurate evidence and artifacts, understanding and using the state framework for evaluation rubric with fidelity, proof of calibration and interrater reliability, ability to provide effective feedback for teacher growth, and understanding and advising teachers on individualized learning plan and portfolio development.

  – Understanding student achievement and growth in the Idaho evaluation framework, including understanding how measurable student achievement and growth measures impact summative evaluation ratings and proficiency in assessment literacy.

• Moving toward greater consistency in requirements for preparation and institutional recommendation