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# **Revised**

Timothy Farrell, Superintendent Minerva Central School District P.O. Box 39 1466 County Route 29 Olmstedville, NY 12857

Dear Superintendent Farrell:

Congratulations. I am pleased to inform you that your educator evaluation plan meets the criteria outlined in Education Law §3012-d and Subpart 30-3 and has been approved. As a reminder, we are relying on the information you provided on your educator evaluation form, including the certifications and assurances that are part of your approved plan. If any material changes are made to your approved plan, your district/BOCES must submit such material changes to us for approval. Please see the attached notes for further information.

Please be advised that, pursuant to Education Law §3012-d

Student Performance category and/or the Observation/School

Visit category.

The New York State Education Department and I look forward to continuing our work together,

# NOTE:

Only documents that are incorporated by reference in your educator evaluation plan have been reviewed and are considered as part of your plan; therefore, any supplemental documents such as memorandums of agreement or understanding that were uploaded with your plan but are not incorporated by reference in your plan have not been reviewed. However, the Department reserves the right to review the uploaded attachments at any time for consistency with your plan and/or to ensure compliance with applicable laws and regulations; and as a result of such review, the Department may reject your plan and/or require corrective action.

Task 1. General Information - Disclaimers and Assurances

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#### Disclaimers

For guidance related to Educator Evaluation plans, see NYSED Educator Evaluation Guidance. For a definition of terms related to Educator Evaluation, see the Educator Evaluation Glossary.

The Department will review the contents of each local educational agency's (LEA) Educator Evaluation plan as submitted using this online form, including required attachments, to determine if the plan rigorously complies with Education Law §3012-d and Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents. Department approval does not imply endorsement of specific educational approaches in an LEA's plan.

The Department reserves the right to request further information from an LEA to monitor compliance with Education Law §3012-d and Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents. Each LEA is required to keep detailed records on file for each section of the currently implemented Educator Evaluation plan. Such detailed records must be provided to the Department upon request. The Department reserves the right to disapprove or require modification of an LEA's plan that does not rigorously adhere to the requirements of Education Law §3012-d and Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents.

The Department will not review any attachments other than those required in the online form. Any additional attachments supplied by the LEA are for informational purposes only for the teachers and principals reviewed under this Educator Evaluation plan. Statements and/or materials in such additional attachments have not been approved and/or endorsed by the Department. However, the Department considers void any other signed agreements between and among parties in any form that prevent, conflict, or interfere with full implementation of the Educator Evaluation plan approved by the Department. The Department also reserves the right to request further information from the LEA, as necessary, as part of its review of this plan.

If the Department reasonably believes through investigation, or otherwise, that statements made in this Educator Evaluation plan are not true or accurate, it reserves the right to reject or disapprove this plan at any time and/or to request additional information to determine the truth and/or accuracy of such statements.

# **Educator Evaluation Assurances**

#### Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that the content of this form represents the LEA's entire Educator Evaluation plan and that the Educator Evaluation plan is in compliance with Education Law Section 3012-d and Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents.

Assure that a detailed version of the LEA's entire Educator Evaluation plan is kept on file and that a copy of such plan will be provided to the Department upon request for review of compliance with Education Law Section 3012-d and Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents.

Assure that this Educator Evaluation plan will be posted on the LEA's website no later than September 10th of each school year, or within 10 days after the plan's approval by the Commissioner, whichever shall occur later.

Assure that it is understood that this LEA's Educator Evaluation plan will be posted in its entirety on the NYSED website following approval.

# Task 2. TEACHERS: Required Student Performance - Student Learning Objectives

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#### **Required Student Performance Subcomponent**

For guidance on the required subcomponent of the Student Performance category, see NYSED Educator Evaluation Guidance.

100% of the Student Performance category if only the required subcomponent is used or locally determined if the optional

#### subcomponent is selected.

Each teacher shall have a locally determined Student Learning Objective (SLO) consistent with the goal-setting process determined by the Commissioner.

# Task 2. TEACHERS: Required Student Performance - Student Learning Objectives

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# **Student Learning Objectives (SLOs)**

For guidance on SLOs, see NYSED SLO Guidance.

SLOs shall be used as the required student performance measure for all teachers. The following must be used as the evidence of student learning within the SLO.

#### MEASURES

SLO measures may be either individually attributed or collectively attributed.

#### Individually attributed measures

An individually attributed SLO is based on the student population of a course for which the teacher directly contributes to student learning outcomes.

> Individually attributed results: scores and ratings will be based on the growth of students in the teacher's course in the current school year.

#### **Collectively attributed measures**

A collectively attributed SLO is based on a student population across multiple sections of the same course or across multiple courses where more than one teacher either directly or indirectly contributes to student learning outcomes. When determining whether to use a collectively attributed SLO, the LEA should consider:

- identifying which measures and assessments could be used to encourage partnerships or teams where teachers have an opportunity to collectively impact student learning;
- identifying which assessments could be used to help foster and support the LEA's focus on a specific priority area(s);
- the impact on the LEA's ability to make strong and equitable inferences regarding an individual educator's effectiveness; and
- when using multiple measures, the appropriate weight of each measure that reflects individually and collectively attributed results.

> Collectively attributed results: scores and ratings will be based on the growth of <u>all students in a school or program</u> or <u>students across</u> buildings/programs in an LEA who take the applicable assessments in the current school year.

> Collectively attributed group or team results: scores and ratings for a group or team of teachers will be based on the growth of students in the group/team of teachers' courses across buildings/programs in an LEA in the current school year.

> <u>Collectively attributed linked results</u>: scores and ratings will be based on the growth of students enrolled in the teacher's course in the current school year taking assessments in other grades/subjects.

#### ASSESSMENTS

Any of the measures above may be used with one or more of the following assessment types.

• State assessment(s); or

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# Task 2. TEACHERS: Required Student Performance - Weighting

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# Use of the Optional Subcomponent and Student Performance Category Weighting

- If the Optional subcomponent is not used, the Required subcomponent will comprise 100% of the Student Performance category.
- If the Optional subcomponent is used, the percentage of the Student Performance category attributed to the Required subcomponent will be locally determined.

#### Please indicate if the Optional subcomponent will be used by making the appropriate selection below.

NO, the Optional subcomponent WILL NOT be used; the Required subcomponent will comprise 100% of the Student Performance category.

#### Task 3. TEACHERS: Optional Student Performance - Use of the Optional Subcomponent

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#### **Optional Student Performance Subcomponent**

For guidance on the optional subcomponent of the Student Performance category, see NYSED Educator Evaluation Guidance.

Percentage of Student Performance category to be locally determined if selected.

Such second measure shall apply in a consistent manner, to the extent practicable, across all classrooms in the same grade/subject in the LEA and be a locally selected measure of student growth or achievement based on State-created or -administered assessments or State-designed supplemental assessments.

Options for measures and associated assessments include:

- Option (A) A second SLO, provided that this SLO is different than that used in the required subcomponent;
- Option (B) A growth score based on a statistical growth model, where available, for either State-created or -administered assessments or State-designed supplemental assessments;
- Option (C) A measure of student growth, other than an SLO, based on State-created or -administered assessments or Statedesigned supplemental assessments;
- Option (D) A performance index based on State-created or -administered assessments or State-designed supplemental assessments;
- Option (E) An achievement benchmark on State-created or -administered assessments or State-designed supplemental assessments; or
- Any other collectively bargained measure of student growth or achievement included in the LEA's evaluation plan.

Please indicate if the optional subcomponent will be used by making the appropriate selection below.

NO, the optional subcomponent WILL NOT be used in the Student Performance category for any teacher.

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Task 4. TEACHERS: Observations - Rubric and Scoring

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Using the dropdown menus below, please indicate the locally-determined rubric scoring ranges based on the constraints prescribed by the Commissioner in Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents for each of the rating categories.

Please select a minimum value between 3.50 and 3.75 and choose 4.00 as the maximum value for the Highly Effective range.

	Minimum Rubric Score	Maximum Rubric Score
Highly Effective:	3.50	4.00

Please select a minimum value between 2.50 and 2.75 and a maximum value between 3.49 and 3.74 for the Effective

range.

	Minimum Rubric Score	Maximum Rubric Score
Effective:	2.50	3.49

# Please select a minimum value between 1.50 and 1.75 and a maximum value between 2.49 and 2.74 for the

#### Developing range.

	Minimum Rubric Score	Maximum Rubric Score
Developing:	1.50	2.49

# Please choose 0.00 as the minimum value and select a maximum value between 1.49 and 1.74 for the Ineffective

range.

	Minimum Rubric Score	Maximum Rubric Score
Ineffective:	0.00	1.49

#### Task 4. TEACHERS: Observations - Teacher Observations

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#### trained administrator (supervisor).

- Required Subcomponent 2: <u>At least one</u> observation must be conducted by an impartial independent trained evaluator (independent evaluator).
- Optional Subcomponent: If selected, <u>at least one</u> observation must be conducted by a trained peer observer (peer observer).

Please use the table below to enter the minimum number of observations and method of observation for each type listed.

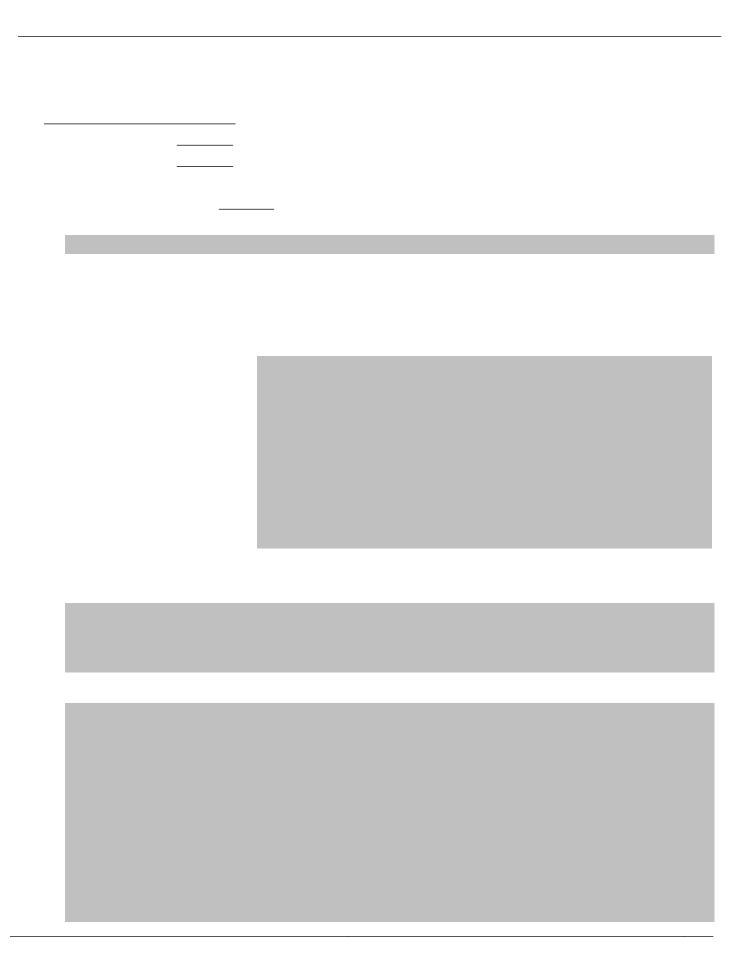
	Minimum Number of Observations	Method of Observation Select all that apply
Announced Supervisor Observation (Required Subcomponent 1)	2	☑ In person
Unannounced Supervisor Observation (Required Subcomponent 1)	N/A	Not applicable
Announced Independent Evaluator Observation (Required Subcomponent 2)	N/A	Not applicable
Unannounced Independent Evaluator Observation (Required Subcomponent 2)	1	☑ In person
Announced Peer Observation (Optional)	N/A	Not applicable
Unannounced Peer Observation (Optional)	N/A	Not applicable

#### Does the information in the table above apply to all teachers?

So, there are 2 groups of teachers who receive a different number and/or method of observation of each type (e.g., tenured teachers

and probationary teachers; identify the first subgroup below).

Please identify the first subgroup of teachers to whom the information in the table above applies. Probationary teachers



Task 4. TEACHERS: Observations - Subgroup 2

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# Peer Observation Assurances

Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that peer observers, as applicable, will be trained and selected by the LEA.

Z Assure that, if observations are being conducted by trained peer observers, these teachers received an overall rating of Effective or

Highly Effective in the previous school year.

# Task 5. TEACHERS: Overall Scoring - Category and Overall Ratings

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# **Category and Overall Ratings**

For guidance on Educator Evaluation scoring, see NYSED Educator Evaluation Guidance.

# **Category Scoring Ranges**

The overall Student Performance category score and the overall Observation category score will be converted into a HEDI rating based on the

ranges listed in the tables below.

	Performance ings must be assigned based on the po	pint distribution below.	Teacher Observation HEDI ratings must be consistent with the co	assigned based on lo	cally determined ranges
		Overall Student Performance Category Score and Rating		Overall Observation	
	Minimum	Maximum		Minimum	Maximum
н	18	20	н	3.5 to 3.75	4.00
E	15	17	E	2.5 to 2.75	3.49 to 3.74
D	13	14	D	1.5 to 1.75	2.49 to 2.74
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# Scoring Matrix for the Overall Rating

The overall rating for an educator shall be determined according to a methodology described in the matrix below.

		Teacher Observation Category			
		Highly Effective (H)	Effective (E)	Developing (D)	Ineffective (I)
Student Performance	Highly Effective (H)	Н	н	E	D
Category	Effective (E)	Н	E	E	D
	Developing (D)	E	E	D	1
	Ineffective (I)	D	D	I	1

# **Category and Overall Rating Assurances**

Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that each subcomponent and category score and rating and the Overall rating will be calculated pursuant to the requirements specified in Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents.

- Assure that it is possible to obtain a zero in each subcomponent.
- ☑ Assure the overall rating determination for a teacher shall be determined according to the evaluation matrix.

Assure that a student will not be instructed, for two consecutive school years, by any two teachers of the same subject in the same

LEA, each of whom received an Ineffective rating under Education Law Section 3012-d in the year immediately prior to the school year in which the student is placed in the teacher's classroom unless the LEA has a Department-approved waiver from this requirement.

Task 6. TEACHERS: Additional Requirements - Appeals

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#### **Appeals Assurances**

#### Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that the LEA has collectively bargained appeal procedures that are consistent with the regulations and provide for the timely and expeditious resolution of an appeal.

Assure that an appeal shall not be filed until a teacher's receipt of their overall rating.

# Appeals

Pursuant to Education Law §3012-d, a teacher may only challenge the following in an appeal to their LEA:

(1) the substance of the annual professional performance review [evaluation]; which shall include the following:

(i) in the instance of a teacher rated Ineffective on the Student Performance category, but rated Highly Effective on the Observation category based on an anomaly, as determined locally;

(2) the LEA's adherence to the standards and methodologies required for such reviews, pursuant to Education Law §3012-d;

(3) the adherence to the regulations of the Commissioner and compliance with any applicable locally negotiated procedures, as required under Education Law §3012-d and Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents; and

(4) the LEA's issuance and/or implementation of the terms of the teacher improvement plan, as required under Education Law §3012-d and Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents.

# Please review your negotiated appeal process and use the table below to describe the appeal process available to teachers.

Which groups of teachers may utilize the	Please select the ground(s) on which the teachers selected are	What is the
appeals process?	permitted to appeal their overall evaluation rating.	maximum length
Select all groups that have the same process as	Select all that apply.	of time for the
defined in subsequent columns.		teachers
To add additional groups with a different process,		selected to
use the "Add Row" button.		receive a final
		decision from
		the filing of the
		appeal?
Tenured teachers who received a rating of	☑ The substance of the annual professional performance	☑ 1-3 months
Developing	review [evaluation]; which shall include the following: in the	
Tenured teachers who received a rating of	instance of a teacher rated Ineffective on the Student	
Ineffective	Performance category, but rated Highly Effective on the	
	Observation category based on an anomaly, as determined	
	locally	
	☑ The LEA's adherence to the standards and methodologies	

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Select all groups that have the same process as	Select all that apply.	of time for the
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To add additional groups with a different process,		selected to
use the "Add Row" button.		receive a final
		decision from
		the filing of the
		appeal?
	required for such reviews, pursuant to Education Law Section	
	3012-d	
	The adherence to the regulations of the Commissioner and	
	compliance with any applicable locally negotiated procedures,	
	as required under Education Law Section 3012-d and Subpart	
	30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents	
	☑ The LEA's issuance and/or implementation of the terms of	
	the teacher improvement plan, as required under Education	
	Law Section 3012-d and Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board	
	of Regents	

If "Other" was selected in the table above, please list the corresponding row number and group(s) of teachers that may utilize the appeals process.

Row Number	Groups of teachers not specified in the table above that may utlize the appeals process.
(No Response)	(No Response)

## Task 6. TEACHERS: Additional Requirements - Training

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#### **Training Assurance**

#### Please read the assurance below and check the box.

The LEA assures that all evaluators will be properly trained and lead evaluators will be certified on the below elements prior to completing a teacher's evaluation. Note: independent observers and peer observers need only be trained on, at a minimum, elements 1, 2, and 4 below.

- 1. The New York State Teaching Standards, and their related elements and performance indicators
- 2. Evidence-based observation techniques that are grounded in research
- 3. Application and use of any methodology as part of an SLO and any optional second measures of student performance used by the LEA to evaluate its teachers
- 4. Application and use of the State-approved teacher rubric(s) selected by the LEA for use in evaluations, including training on the effective application of such rubrics to observe a teacher's practice
- 5. Application and use of any assessment tools that the LEA utilizes to evaluate its classroom teachers
- 6. Application and use of any locally selected measures of student growth used in the Optional subcomponent of the Student Performance category used by the LEA to evaluate its teachers
- 7. Use of the Statewide Instructional Reporting System
- 8. The scoring methodology utilized by the Department and/or the LEA to evaluate a teacher under this Subpart, including the weightings of each subcomponent within a category; how overall scores/ratings are generated for each subcomponent and category and application and use of the evaluation matrix(es) prescribed by the Commissioner for the four designated rating categories used for the teacher's overall rating and their category ratings
- 9. Specific considerations in evaluating teachers of English language learners and students with disabilities

# Training of Lead Evaluators, Evaluators, Independent Evaluators, and Peer Observers and Certification of Lead Evaluators

For a definition of terms used in this section, please see the Educator Evaluation Glossary.

Please answer the questions below to describe the training process for all evaluators.

# **Evaluator Training**

#### Please describe how training and retraining evaluators is conducted.

Check all that apply.

As a component district, training is conducted by, or in conjunction with, a BOCES

#### Please read the assurance below and check the box.

Assure that the duration of training and retraining is sufficient to train on all 9 elements from Section 30-3.10 of the Rules of the Board of Regents (which includes, but is not limited to, training on the proper application or use of the rubric).

# Initial training

Do all evaluators receive the same initial training?

☑ Yes, all evaluators receive the same initial training.

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Approximately how many hours of initial training will new evaluators receive?

☑ 1-3 days

#### Retraining

Approximately how many hours of re-training (annual, periodic, or other frequency) will evaluators receive?

☑ 2-6 hours

#### **Certification of Lead Evaluators**

How often are lead evaluators certified?

Annually

Please identify the party responsible for the certification and re-certification of lead evaluators.

☑ BOCES

#### Inter-rater Reliability

Inter-rater reliability refers to the extent to which different evaluators produce similar ratings in judging the same abilities or characteristics in the same target person or object. Within the context of educator evaluation, inter-rater reliability requires all evaluators trained in the observation process to reach independent consensus on observable behaviors to ensure the accuracy, consistency, and precision of the implementation of the chosen evaluation rubric(s). It also requires administrators to analyze and track educator evaluation data and ensure that observations are being completed with fidelity.

Select the option(s) below that best describe the process in place for maintaining inter-rater reliability. *Please check all that apply.* 

Periodic calibration meetings and/or trainings

#### Task 6. TEACHERS: Additional Requirements - Assurances

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# **Teacher Evaluation Assurances**

#### Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that the LEA shall compute and provide to the teacher their score and rating for the Student Performance category, if available, and for the Teacher Observation category for the teacher's evaluation, in writing, no later than the last school day of the school year for which the teacher is being measured, but in no case later than September 1 of the school year next following the school year for which the teacher's performance is being measured.

Assure that the evaluation system will be used as a significant factor for employment decisions.

Assure that teachers will receive timely and constructive feedback as part of the evaluation process.

Assure that the following prohibited elements listed in Education Law Section 3012-d(6) are not being used as part of any teacher's evaluation: evidence of student development and performance derived from lesson plans, other artifacts of teacher practice, and student portfolios, except for student portfolios measured by a State-approved rubric where permitted by the Department; use of an instrument for parent or student feedback; use of professional goal-setting as evidence of teacher effectiveness; any locally-developed assessment that has not been approved by the Department; and any growth or achievement target that does not meet the minimum standards as set forth in regulations of the Commissioner. Consistent with Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, assure that points shall not be allocated based on any artifacts, unless such artifact constitutes evidence of an otherwise observable rubric subcomponent.

#### **Assessment Assurances**

#### Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that the amount of time devoted to traditional standardized assessments that are not specifically required by state or federal law for each classroom or program within a grade level does not exceed, in the aggregate, one percent of the minimum required annual instructional hours for the grade.

Assure that individuals with vested interest in the outcome of their assessments are not involved, to the extent practicable, in the scoring of those assessments.

#### **Data Assurances**

#### Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Series Assure that SED will receive accurate teacher and student data, including enrollment and attendance data, and any other ck as pCID 27P1y.P8e9, u

# Task 7. PRINCIPALS: Required Student Performance - Information and Assurances

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#### **Required Student Performance Subcomponent**

For guidance on the required subcomponent of the Student Performance category, see NYSED Educator Evaluation Guidance.

# 100% of the Student Performance category if only the required subcomponent is used or locally determined if the optional

subcomponent is selected.

# Task 7. PRINCIPALS: Required Student Performance - Information and Assurances

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## **INPUT MODEL**

Selection of the Input Model will require:

- a description of the areas of principal practice that will be evaluated;
- a description of how the selected areas of principal practice promote student growth;
- a description of the evidence of student growth and principal practice that will be collected; and
- a description of how the district will use the evidence to differentiate effectiveness resulting in a score from 0 to 20 and ratings of Highly Effective, Effective, Developing, or Ineffective.

#### Measure Type(s)

Please indicate below which type(s) of measures will be used to evaluate principals. Please check all that apply.



# Task 7. PRINCIPALS: Required Student Performance - Weighting

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# Use of the Optional Subcomponent and Student Performance Category Weighting

- If the Optional subcomponent is not used, the Required subcomponent will comprise 100% of the Student Performance category.
- If the Optional subcomponent is used, the percentage of the Student Performance category attributed to the Required subcomponent will be locally determined.

#### Please indicate if the Optional subcomponent will be used by making the appropriate selection below.

NO, the Optional subcomponent WILL NOT be used; the Required subcomponent will comprise 100% of the Student Performance category.

Task 8. PRINCIPALS: Optional Student Performance - Use of the Optional Subcomponent

Task 9. PRINCIPALS: School Visits - Rubric and Scoring

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# **Principal School Visit Category**

For guidance on the Principal School Visit category, see NYSED Educator Evaluation Guidance. For a definition of terms used in this section, see the Educator Evaluation Glossary.

For the school visit category, principals' shall be evaluated based on a State-approved rubric using multiple sources of evidence collected and incorporated into the school visit protocol. Where appropriate, such evidence may be aligned to building or district goals; provided, however, that professional goal-setting may not be used as evidence of teacher or principal effectiveness. Such evidence shall reflect school leadership practice aligned to the Leadership Standards and selected practice rubric.

# **Principal Practice Rubric**

Select a principal practice rubric from the menu of State-approved rubrics to assess principal practice based on ISLLC 2008 Standards (PSEL standards beginning in 2024-25).

Rubric Name	If more than one rubric is utilized,
	please indicate the group(s) of
	principals each rubric applies to.
Marshall's Principal Evaluation Rubric	(No Response)

Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that the same rubric(s) is (are) used for all principals in the same or similar programs or grade configurations across the LEA, provided that LEAs may locally determine whether to use different rubrics for a principal assigned to different programs or grade configurations as indicated in the table above.

Assure that the same rubric(s) is (are) used for all school visits for a principal across the school visit types in a given school year.

# **Rubric Rating Process**

For more information on the Principal School Visit category see NYSED Educator Evaluation Guidance. For a definition of terms used in this section, see the Educator Evaluation Glossary.

The following is one example of how an LEA might score principal school visits using the selected practice rubric: Domains 1-4 of the MPPR rubric have been negotiated as observable. Domains 2 and 3 are weighted as 40% each, and Domains 1 and 4 are weighted as 10% each. For each school visit, evidence is collected for all observed subcomponents in a domain. A holistic score is then determined for each domain. These domain scores are weighted as indicated above to reach a final score for each school visit. Scores for each school visit are weighted equally and averaged to reach a final score for each school visit type. The LEA will ensure that all subcomponents designated as observable will be addressed at least once across the school visit cycle.

Use the following section to describe the process for rating and scoring the selected practice rubric consistent with the Department's regulations.

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Task 9. PRINCIPALS: School Visits - Principal School Visits

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# **Principal School Visits**

The principal school visit category is made up of two (2) required and one (1) optional subcomponents.

- The frequency and duration of school visits are locally determined.
- School visits may not occur by live or recorded video.
- LEAs may locally determine whether to use more than one school visit by any of the required observers. Nothing shall be construed to limit the discretion of administrators to conduct school visits in addition to those required by this section for non-evaluative purposes.

#### **Required Subcomponents**

• At least one of the required school visits must be unannounced (across both required subcomponents).

Required Subcomponent 1: School Visits by Supervisor(s) or Other Trained Administrator(s)

• At least one school visit must be conducted by the superintendent or other trained administrator.

Required Subcomponent 2: School visits by Impartial Independent Trained Evaluator(s)\*

- At least one school visits must be conducted by an impartial independent trained evaluator.
- Impartial independent trained evaluators are trained and selected by the LEA. They may be employed within the LEA, but may not be assigned to the same school building as the principal being evaluated. This could include other administrators, department chairs, or peers, so long as they are not from the same building (defined as same BEDS code) as the principal being evaluated.

\* The process selected for conducting school visits, including those conducted by trained, impartial independent evaluators, exists in perpetuity until a new plan is approved by the Commissioner. However, if your LEA applies for and receives approval of an Independent Evaluator Hardship Waiver for a school year, then the terms specified in that waiver application will apply for that school year only. Please note that independent Evaluator Hardship Waiver requests must be submitted and approved on an annual basis.

#### Optional Subcomponent: School Visits by Trained Peer Principal(s)

#### $\bullet$ If selected, $\underline{at \ least \ one} \ \text{school} \ \text{visit} \ \text{must} \ \text{be} \ \text{conducted} \ \text{by} \ a \ \text{trained} \ \text{per principal}.$

• Peer principals are trained and selected by the LEA. Trained peer principals must have received an overall rating of Effective or Highly Effective in the prior school year.

#### **School Visit Assurances**

#### Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that the following elements will not be used in calculating a principal's school visit category score and rating: evidence of student development and performance derived from lesson plans, other artifacts of principal practice, and student portfolios, except for student portfolios measured by a State-approved rubric where permitted by the Department; use of an instrument for parent or student



Task 9. PRINCIPALS: School Visits - Principal School Visits

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# **Peer School Visit Assurances**

Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that peer principals, as applicable, will be trained and selected by the LEA.

Assure that, if school visits are being conducted by trained peer principal(s), these principal(s) received an overall rating

of Effective or Highly Effective in the previous school year.

## Task 10. PRINCIPALS: Overall Scoring - Category and Overall Ratings

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# **Category and Overall Ratings**

For guidance on Educator Evaluation scoring, see NYSED Educator Evaluation Guidance.

# Category Scoring Ranges

The overall Student Performance category score and the overall School Visit category score will be converted into a HEDI rating based on the ranges listed in the tables below.

Student Performance Category HEDI ratings must be assigned based on the point distribution below.			Principal School Visit Category HEDI ratings must be assigned based on locally-determined ranges				
	st be assigned	based on the point	distribution below.		Ū	the constraints listed below	, ,
		Overall Student Performance				Overall School Visit	
		Category Score and Rating Minimum Maximum				Category Score and Rat Minimum	Ing Maximum
н		18	20	н		3.5 to 3.75	4.0
E		15	17	E		2.5 to 2.75	3.49 to 3.74
D		13	14	D		1.5 to 1.75	2.49 to 2.74
1		0	12			0.00	1.49 to 1.74

# Scoring Matrix for the Overall Rating

The overall rating for an educator shall be determined according to a methodology described in the matrix below.

		Principal School Visit	Category		
		Highly Effective (H)	Effective (E)	Developing (D)	Ineffective (I)
Student Performance	Highly Effective (H)	н	Н	E	D
Category	Effective (E)	н	E	E	D
	Developing (D)	E	E	D	1
	Ineffective (I)	D	D	1	1

# **Category and Overall Rating Assurances**

Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that each subcomponent and category score and rating and the Overall rating will be calculated pursuant to the requirements specified in Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents.

- Assure that it is possible to obtain a zero in each subcomponent.
- ☑ Assure the overall rating determination for a principal shall be determined according to the evaluation matrix.

# Task 11. PRINCIPALS: Additional Requirements - Principal Improvement Plans

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# **Additional Requirements**

For guidance on additional requirements for principals, see NYSED Educator Evaluation Guidance.

### **Principal Improvement Plan Assurances**

### Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that the LEA will formulate and commence implementation of a Principal Improvement Plan (PIP) for all principals who receive an overall rating of Developing or Ineffective by October 1 following the school year for which such principal's performance is being measured or as soon as practicable thereafter.

Assure that PIP plans developed and implemented by the superintendent or their designee, in the exercise of their pedagogical judgment, and subject to collective bargaining to the extent required under article 14 of the Civil Service Law, shall include: identification of needed areas of improvement, a timeline for achieving improvement, the manner in which the improvement will be assessed, and, where appropriate, differentiated activities to support a principal's improvement in those areas.

# **Principal Improvement Plan Forms**

All PIP plans developed and implemented by the superintendent or their designee, in the exercise of their pedagogical judgment, must include:

1) identification of needed areas of improvement;

- 2) a timeline for achieving improvement;
- 3) the manner in which the improvement will be assessed; and, where appropriate,
- 4) differentiated activities to support a principal's improvement in those areas.

Task 11. PRINCIPALS: Additional Requirements - Appeals

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### Appeals Assurances

#### Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that the LEA has collectively bargained appeal procedures that are consistent with the regulations and provide for the timely and expeditious resolution of an appeal.

Assure that an appeal shall not be filed until a principal's receipt of their overall rating.

# Appeals

Pursuant to Education Law §3012-d, a principal may only challenge the following in an appeal to their LEA:

(1) the substance of the annual professional performance review [evaluation]; which shall include the following:

(i) in the instance of a principal rated Ineffective on the student performance category, but rated Highly Effective on the school visit category based on an anomaly, as determined locally;

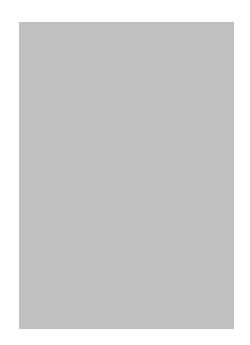
(2) the LEA's adherence to the standards and methodologies required for such reviews, pursuant to Education Law §3012-d;

(3) the adherence to the regulations of the Commissioner and compliance with any applicable locally negotiated procedures, as required under Education Law §3012-d and Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents; and

(4) the LEA's issuance and/or implementation of the terms of the principal improvement plan, as required under Education Law §3012-d and Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents.

Please review your negotiated appeal process and use the table below to describe the appeal process available to
principals.

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Which groups of principals may utilize	Please select the ground(s) on which the	What is the maximum length of time for the
the appeals process?	principals selected are permitted to appeal	principals selected to receive a final
Select all groups that have the same	their overall evaluation rating.	decision from the filing of the appeal?
process as defined in subsequent columns.	Please select all that apply.	
To add additional groups with a different		
process, use the "Add Row" button.		
Tenured principals who received a	☑ The substance of the annual	☑ 1-3 months
rating of Developing	professional performance review	
Image: Tenured principals who received a	[evaluation]; which shall include the	
rating of Ineffective	following: in the instance of a principal	
	rated Ineffective on the Student	
	Performance category, but rated Highly	
	Effective on the School Visit category	
	based on an anomaly, as determined	
	locally	
	☑ The LEA's adherence to the standards	



## Task 11. PRINCIPALS: Additional Requirements - Training

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### **Training Assurance**

#### Please read the assurance below and check the box.

The LEA assures that all evaluators will be properly trained and lead evaluators will be certified on the below elements prior to completing a principal's evaluation. Note: independent evaluators and peer principals need only be trained on, at a minimum, elements 1, 2, and 4 below.

- 1. The Leadership Standards and their related functions, as applicable
- 2. Evidence-based observation techniques that are grounded in research
- 3. Application and use of any methodology as part of an SLO and any optional second measures of student performance used by the LEA to evaluate its principals
- 4. Application and use of the State-approved principal rubric(s) selected by the LEA for use in evaluations, including training on the effective application of such rubrics to observe a principal's practice
- 5. Application and use of any assessment tools that the LEA utilizes to evaluate its building principals
- 6. Application and use of any locally selected measures of student growth used in the Optional subcomponent of the Student Performance category used by the LEA to evaluate its principals
- 7. Use of the Statewide Instructional Reporting System
- 8. The scoring methodology utilized by the Department and/or the LEA to evaluate a principal under this Subpart, including the weightings of each subcomponent within a category; how overall scores/ratings are generated for each subcomponent and category and application and use of the evaluation matrix(es) prescribed by the Commissioner for the four designated rating categories used for the principal's overall rating and their category ratings
- 9. Specific considerations in evaluating principals of English language learners and students with disabilities

# Training of Lead Evaluators, Evaluators, Independent Evaluators, and Peer Principals and Certification of Lead Evaluators

For a definition of terms used in this section, please see the Educator Evaluation Glossary.

Please answer the questions below to describe the training process for all evaluators.

#### **Evaluator Training**

#### Please describe how training and retraining evaluators is conducted.

Check all that apply.

As a component district, training is conducted by, or in conjunction with, a BOCES

#### Please read the assurance below and check the box.

Assure that the duration of training and retraining is sufficient to train on all 9 elements from Section 30-3.10 of the Rules of the Board of Regents (which includes, but is not limited to, training on the proper application or use of the rubric).

# Initial training

Do all evaluators receive the same initial training?

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Approximately how many hours of initial training will new evaluators receive?

#### Task 11. PRINCIPALS: Additional Requirements - Assurances

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### Principal Evaluation Assurances

#### Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that the LEA shall compute and provide to the principal their score and rating for the Student Performance category, if available, and for the Principal School Visit category for the principal's evaluation in writing, no later than the last school day of the school year for which the principal is being measured, but in no case later than September 1 of the school year next following the school year for which the principal's performance is being measured.

Assure that the evaluation system will be used as a significant factor for employment decisions.

Assure that principals will receive timely and constructive feedback as part of the evaluation process.

Assure that the following prohibited elements listed in Education Law Section 3012-d(6) are not being used as part of any principal's evaluation: evidence of student development and performance derived from lesson plans, other artifacts of principal practice, and student portfolios, except for student portfolios measured by a State-approved rubric where permitted by the department; use of an instrument for parent or student feedback; use of professional goal-setting as evidence of principal effectiveness; any locally-developed assessment that has not been approved by the department; and any growth or achievement target that does not meet the minimum standards as set forth in regulations of the Commissioner. Consistent with Subpart 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, assure that points shall not be allocated based on any artifacts, unless such artifact constitutes evidence of an otherwise observable rubric subcomponent.

# **Assessment Assurances**

#### Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure that the amount of time devoted to traditional standardized assessments that are not specifically required by state or federal law for each classroom or program within a grade level does not exceed, in the aggregate, one percent of the minimum required annual instructional hours for the grade.

Assure that individuals with vested interest in the outcome of their assessments are not involved, to the extent practicable, in the scoring of those assessments.

# **Data Assurances**

Please read the assurances below and check each box.

Assure

Task 12. Joint Certification of Educator Evaluation Plan - Upload Certification Form

# Minerva Central School

# Principal Improvement Plan

- 1. Area(s) needing improvement as identified by APPR process:
- 2. Strategies and actions the Principal will implement to address areas identified as needing improvement.
- 3. Strategies and actions the District will make available to the Principal.
- 4. Timeline of meetings between the Principal and Superintendent to monitor progress in area(s) identified as needing improvement.
- 5. Evidence to demonstrate satisfactory completion of PIP, and document progress in the area(s) needing improvement.

Principal	Superintendent
Date	Date

# Principal Improvement Plan Guideline:

- For any Principal whose performance, based on overall effectiveness rating, is evaluated as developing or ineffective based upon the evidence clearly documented in the Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR), a Principal Improvement Plan (PIP) will be developed between the Superintendent and the Principal. The PIP shall be provided as soon as practicable, but in no case later than October 1<sup>st</sup> of the ensuing school year. The PIP shall be developed in consultation with the Principal.
- 2. The parties understa

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