

Standard #1: Learner Development

The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences.

Summary Rating (Please circle appropriate rating):
The teacher actively seeks out information about learner interests in order to engage learners in developmentally appropriate learning experiences. (1b) The teacher engages learners in a variety of learning experiences to capitalize on strengths and build areas of development that are weaker. (1i, 1j)
Drawing on his/her understanding of child and adolescent development, the teacher observes learners, noting changes and patterns in learners across areas of development, and seeks resources, including from families and colleagues, to adjust teaching. (1a; 7i; 9d)
The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Standard #2: Learning Differences

The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards.

The teacher uses understanding of learners' commonalities and individual differences within and across diverse communities to design inclusive learning experiences that enable each learner to meet high standards.

Drawing upon his/her understanding of second language acquisition, exceptional needs, and learners' background knowledge, the teacher observes individual and groups of learners to identify specific needs and responds with individualized support, flexible grouping, and varied learning experiences. (1g; 2b; 2c; 2d; 2e; 2f; 2g; 2h; 2i; 2j; 2l; 2m; 2o)

Recognizing how diverse learners process information and develop skills, the teacher incorporates multiple approaches to learning that engage a range of learner preferences. (2a; 2d; 2g; 2h; 2m; 8p)