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| **COMPASS OBSERVATION WORKBOOK for SCHOOL LIBRARIANS**  **in LOUISIANA** | | | | | | | | |
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| **OBSERVATION ANALYSIS** | | | |  | |  |  | |
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| **PLANNING AND PREPARATION COMPETENCY 1a:** | | | | | |  |  | |
| **Demonstrating Knowledge of Curriculum, Students and Literature, Developing a Culture of Lifelong Learning, and Collaborating in the Design of Instructional Experiences** | | | | | | | | |
| **Highly Effective** | **Effective: Proficient** | | **Effective: Emerging** | | **Ineffective** | | | **Specific Evidence or Artifacts** |
| • Librarian consistently displays extensive knowledge of the curriculum, resources, various literacies, and the research process. | • Librarian often, but not always, displays some knowledge of the curriculum, resources, various literacies, and the research process. | | • Librarian seldom displays knowledge of the curriculum, resources, various literacies, and the research process. | | • Librarian displays very little or no knowledge of the curriculum, resources, various literacies, and the research process. | | | • Knowledge of curriculum • Knowledge of information literacy • Knowledge of the learning process • Knowledge of the research process • Knowledge of resources |
| • Librarian consistently plans for instruction, promotes reading, and consistently develops the collection in the context of students’ developmental levels, skills, backgrounds, interests, and special needs. | • Librarian often, but not always, plans for instruction, promotes reading, and develops the collection in the context of students’ developmental levels, skills, backgrounds, interests, and special needs. | | • Librarian seldom plans for instruction, seldom promotes reading, and seldom develops the collection in the context of students’ developmental levels, skills, backgrounds, interests, and special needs. | | • Librarian rarely plans for instruction, rarely promotes reading, and rarely develops the collection in the context of students’ developmental levels, skills, backgrounds, interests, and special needs. | | | • Knowledge of child development • Knowledge of student data • Use of pre and post assessment data • Library calendar / schedule |
| • Librarian has an extensive knowledge of literature of all genres and consistently works with groups and individuals to promote good books, reading for pleasure, and love of learning. | • Librarian has some knowledge of literature of all genres and often (but not always) works with groups and individuals to promote good books, reading for pleasure, and love of learning. | | • Librarian has little knowledge of literature of all genres and seldom works with groups and individuals to promote good books, reading for pleasure, and love of learning. | | • Librarian has very little or no knowledge of literature of all genres and rarely works with groups and individuals to promote good books, reading for pleasure, and love of learning. | | | • Knowledge of literature • Reading promotion  • Author visits   • Book clubs   • Book displays   • Book talks   • Reading programs |
| • Librarian consistently collaborates with teachers in designing, planning, and implementing meaningful learning activities that integrate the use of resources and development of research skills and various literacies. | • Librarian often, but not always, collaborates with teachers in designing, planning, and implementing meaningful learning activities that integrate the use of resources and development of research skills and various literacies. | | • Librarian seldom collaborates with teachers in designing, planning, and implementing meaningful learning activities that integrate the use of resources and development of research skills and various literacies. | | • Librarian rarely collaborates with teachers in designing, planning, and implementing meaningful learning activities that integrate the use of resources and development of research skills and various literacies. | | | • Collaborative skills • Collaboration with teachers • Cooperative projects |
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| **PLANNING AND PREPARATION COMPETENCY 1b:** | | | | |
| **Supporting Instructional Outcomes, Demonstrating Knowledge and Use of Resources** | | | | |
| **Highly Effective** | **Effective: Proficient** | **Effective: Emerging** | **Ineffective** | **Specific Evidence or Artifacts** |
| • Librarian consistently displays understanding of desired instructional outcomes and student population. | • Librarian often, but not always, displays understanding of desired instructional outcomes and student population. | • Librarian sometimes displays some understanding of desired instructional outcomes and student population. | • Librarian rarely displays an understanding of desired instructional outcomes and student population. | • Knowledge of standards • Knowledge of instructional outcomes • Knowledge of instructional resources and technology |
| • Librarian consistently provides the necessary resources, technology, and services. | • Librarian often, but not always, provides the necessary resources, technology, and services. | • Librarian sometimes provides the necessary resources, technology, and services. | • Librarian rarely provides the necessary resources, technology, and services. | • Knowledge of instructional resources and technology  • Provision of appropriate resources  • Communication of appropriate resources available for specific topics |
| • Librarian has an extensive knowledge of information resources available to students and actively seeks other resources. | • Librarian has some knowledge of information resources available to students and often seeks other resources. | • Librarian has some knowledge of information resources available to students but seldom seeks other resources. | • Librarian has little or no knowledge of information resources available to students and rarely seeks other resources. | • Knowledge of collection • Provision of efficient, effective instructional support • Correlation of resources with student and curriculum needs |
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| **LIBRARY ENVIRONMENT COMPETENCY 2a:** | | | | |
| **Creating an Environment of Respect and Rapport** | | | | |
| **Highly Effective** | **Effective: Proficient** | **Effective: Emerging** | **Ineffective** | **Specific Evidence or Artifacts** |
| • Librarian consistently maintains an inviting, flexible and attractive environment with expectations that students are curious, on task and respectful. | • Librarian often, but not always, maintains an inviting, flexible and attractive environment with expectations that students are curious, on task and respectful. | • Librarian seldom maintains an inviting, flexible and attractive environment with expectations that students are curious, on task and respectful. | • Librarian rarely maintains an inviting, flexible and attractive environment with expectations that students are curious, on task and respectful. | • Inviting environment  • Flexible spaces for program needs |
| • Librarian consistently demonstrates respect for students and staff and uses praise and positive reinforcement. | • Librarian often, but not always, demonstrates respect for students and staff and often, but not always, uses praise and positive reinforcement. | • Librarian seldom demonstrates respect for students and staff and often, but not always, uses praise and positive reinforcement. | • Librarian rarely demonstrates respect for students and staff and often, but not always, uses praise and positive reinforcement. | • Expectations for learning  • Positive interactions with students and faculty |
| • Librarian consistently establishes and communicates clear standards of conduct, monitors student behavior, and responds to student misbehavior in ways that are appropriate and respectful to the students. | • Librarian often, but not always, establishes and communicates clear standards of conduct, monitors student behavior, and responds to student misbehavior in ways that are appropriate and respectful to the students. | • Librarian seldom establishes and communicates clear standards of conduct, monitors student behavior, and responds to student misbehavior in ways that are appropriate and respectful to the students. | • Librarian rarely establishes and communicates clear standards of conduct, monitors student behavior, and responds to student misbehavior in ways that are appropriate and respectful to the students. | • Communication strategies  • Library guidelines  • Monitoring and responding to student behavior |
| **2a. Observation evidence, notes, comments**: | | | | **2a. Performance Level** |
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| **LIBRARY ENVIRONMENT COMPETENCY 2b:** | | | | | | | |
| **Managing Library Procedures and Organizing Physical Space** | | | | | | | |
| **Highly Effective** | **Effective: Proficient** | | **Effective: Emerging** | | **Ineffective** | | **Specific Evidence or Artifacts** |
| Library guidelines and procedures have been established in the areas of circulation and scheduling for the library to provide for optimal access to the resources, equipment, the facility, and the expertise of the librarian are consistently used. | Library guidelines and procedures have been established in the areas of circulation and scheduling for the library and often, but not always, function consistently resulting in some inconsistencies in access to the resources, equipment, the facility, and expertise of the librarian. | | Library guidelines and procedures have been established in the areas of circulation and scheduling for the library but seldom function consistently resulting in unreliable access to the resources, equipment, the facility, and expertise of the librarian. | | Library guidelines and procedures are minimal and rarely provide access to the resources, equipment, the facility and the expertise of the librarian. | | • Library guidelines • Circulation procedures  • Scheduling procedures • Flexibility in procedures • Self-directed use • Functional spaces • Safety considerations • Traffic flow |
| **2b. Observation evidence, notes, comments**: | | | | | | | **2b. Performance Level** |
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| **INSTRUCTION COMPETENCY 3a:** | | | | | | | |
| **Communicating Clearly and Accurately** | | | | | | | |
| **Highly Effective** | **Effective: Proficient** | | **Effective: Emerging** | | **Ineffective** | | **Specific Evidence or Artifacts** |
| • Anticipating possible misunderstandings, librarian consistently and clearly communicates directions and procedures through spoken, written and electronic methods, repeating and clarifying directions when necessary. | • Anticipating possible misunderstandings, librarian often, but not always, clearly communicates directions and procedures through spoken, written and electronic methods, repeating and clarifying directions when necessary. | | • Librarian seldom communicates directions and procedures clearly, through only one means, either spoken, written or electronic, seldom repeating and clarifying directions, even though necessary, due to many misunderstandings. | | • Librarian rarely communicates directions and procedures clearly, if at all. Misunderstandings are evident and directions are not repeated. | | • Directions presented to engaged students • Directions posted for routine tasks, such as logging onto computers. • Directions presented using multiple methods, including spoken, written, and digital projection • Directions repeated using different vocabulary or with clarification as needed • Lessons adjusted for improved understanding |
| • Technology is consistently used effectively to demonstrate and model productive ways to use the resources and tools in the library and in virtual environments. | • Technology is often, but not always, used effectively to demonstrate and model productive ways to use the resources and tools in the library and in virtual environments. | | • Technology is seldom used effectively to demonstrate and model productive ways to use resources and tools in the library. | | • Technology is rarely used, if at all or is ineffectively used. | | • Appropriate projection methods to teach a skill or share literature • Digital media using a variety of current devices to teach skill or share literature • Student use of age appropriate technology skills during library visits • Appropriate methods for research with technology shared as needed |
| **3a. Observation evidence, notes, comments**: | | | | | | | **3a. Performance Level** |
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| **INSTRUCTION COMPETENCY 3b:** | | | | | | | |
| **Teaching, Engaging and Assessing in Instruction** | | | | | | | |
| **Highly Effective** | **Effective: Proficient** | | **Effective: Emerging** | | **Ineffective** | | **Specific Evidence or Artifacts** |
| • Librarian consistently uses open-ended and probing questions to guide students’ inquiry and to help them think critically, whether teaching a literature related lesson or use of information resources. | • Librarian often, but not always, uses open-ended and probing questions to guide students’ inquiry and to help them think critically, whether teaching a literature related lesson or use of information resources. | | • Librarian seldom uses open-ended and probing questions to guide students’ inquiry and to help them think critically, whether teaching a literature related lesson or use of information resources. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, uses open-ended and probing questions to guide students’ inquiry and to help them think critically. | | • Questioning techniques  • Comprehension questions asked during and after teaching a lesson in information resources or sharing story with students  • Appropriate “wait” time used to encourage critical thinking |
| • Librarian consistently guides students to resources that relate to content, prior knowledge and life experiences, based on extensive knowledge of appropriate materials. | • Librarian often, but not always, guides students to resources that relate to content, prior knowledge and life experiences, based on wide knowledge of appropriate materials. | | • Librarian seldom guides students to resources that relate to content, prior knowledge and life experiences, based on limited knowledge of appropriate materials. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, guides students to resources that relate to content, prior knowledge and life experiences, possesses little or no knowledge of appropriate materials, or refers students to inappropriate materials. | | • Knowledge of instructional materials and resources |
| • Librarian consistently guides students to refine research strategies and to extend learning through the research process and monitors their progress. | • Librarian often, but not always, guides students to refine research strategies and to extend learning through the research process and monitors their progress. | | • Librarian seldom guides students to refine research strategies and to extend learning through the research process and inconsistently monitors student progress. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, guides students to refine research strategies and to extend learning through the research process and monitors their progress. | | • Recommendations of variety of books of varying genres and levels from which students can select to read on individual basis  • Recommendations of a variety of resources in multiple formats |
| • Librarian consistently provides timely, accurate, substantive, constructive, and specific feedback when working with individuals and groups. | • Librarian often, but not always, provides timely, accurate, substantive, constructive, and specific feedback when working with individuals and groups. | | • Librarian seldom provides timely, accurate, substantive, constructive, and specific feedback when working with individuals and groups. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, provides timely, accurate, substantive, constructive, and specific feedback when working with individuals and groups, or gives feedback that is negative or inappropriate. | | • Recommendations for possible search terms and strategies for students working on research topics  • Recommendations for next logical steps in research and directions to alternate search strategies |
| **3b. Observation evidence, notes, comments**: | | | | | | | **3b. Performance Level** |
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| **INSTRUCTION COMPETENCY 3c:** | | | | | | | |
| **Using Resources Effectively, Ethically and Responsibly** | | | | | | | |
| **Highly Effective** | **Effective: Proficient** | | **Effective: Emerging** | | **Ineffective** | | **Specific Evidence or Artifacts** |
| • Librarian consistently teaches or reminds students to critically evaluate resources for authority and validity. | • Librarian often, but not always, teaches or reminds students to critically evaluate resources for authority and validity. | | • Librarian seldom teaches or reminds students to critically evaluate resources for authority and validity. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, teaches or reminds students to critically evaluate resources for authority and validity. | | • Instruction in resource selection  • Directions to recommended and fee-based resources, instead of comprehensive web search engines and web sites of unverified origin |
| • Librarian consistently encourages students to use information in all formats, to actively seek multiple perspectives, avoid plagiarism, to use the internet effectively, and to keep data safe. | • Librarian often, but not always, encourages students to use information in all formats, to actively seek multiple perspectives, avoid plagiarism, to use the internet effectively, and to keep data safe. | | • Librarian seldom encourages students to use information in all formats, to actively seek multiple perspectives, avoid plagiarism, to use the internet effectively, and to keep data safe. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, encourages students to use information in all formats, to actively seek multiple perspectives, avoid plagiarism, to use the internet effectively, and to keep data safe. | | • Availability of resources in multiple formats and perspectives  • Monitors students computer use for appropriate sites within filtered environment  • Instruction in using and citing sources safely and ethically |
| • Librarian consistently teaches students to use information and ideas in a safe, responsible, and ethical manner. | • Librarian often, but not always, teaches students to use information and ideas in a safe, responsible, and ethical manner. | | • Librarian seldom teaches students to use information and ideas in a safe, responsible, and ethical manner. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, teaches students to use information and ideas in a safe, responsible, and ethical manner. | | • Citation formats posted near workstations or on handouts  • information saved to designated media as per school procedure |
| **3c. Observation evidence, notes, comments**: | | | | | | | **3c. Performance Level** |
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| **PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY COMPETENCY 4a:** | | | | | | | |
| **Evaluating Practice, Communicating with Stakeholders and Participating in Professional Communities** | | | | | | | |
| **Highly Effective** | **Effective: Proficient** | | **Effective: Emerging** | | **Ineffective** | | **Specific Evidence or Artifacts** |
| • Librarian consistently evaluates the effectiveness of services, resources, instructional strategies and facilities to ensure library goals are met. | • Librarian often, but not always, reflects on the effectiveness of services, resources, instructional strategies and facilities to ensure library goals are met. | | • Librarian seldom reflects on the effectiveness of services, resources, instructional strategies and facilities. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, reflects on the effectiveness of services, resources, instructional strategies and facilities. | | • Surveys  • Self Evaluation  • Program Evaluation  • Reflection |
| • Librarian consistently considers changes necessary for future needs in an expanding dynamic program. | • Librarian often, but not always, considers changes necessary for future needs in an expanding dynamic program. | | • Librarian seldom considers changes necessary for future needs. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, considers changes necessary for future needs. | | • Vision  • Long and short term goals  • Change |  |
| • Librarian actively and consistently solicits input from stakeholders to improve instruction, program and service. | • Librarian often, but not always, solicits input from stakeholders to improve instruction, program and service. | | • Librarian seldom solicits input from stakeholders. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, solicits input from stakeholders. | | • Advocacy for library program and service  • Dissemination of library information  • Newsletters  • Web Page |
| • Librarian consistently contributes to the school and district community through participation, service, and leadership. | • Librarian often, but not always, contributes to the school and district community through participation, service, and leadership. | | • Librarian seldom contributes to the school and district community. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, contributes to the school and district community. | | • Attendance at school functions  • Membership in parent service groups  • Participation in school and district projects  • Service in leadership positions |
| • Support and cooperation consistently characterize relationships with colleagues. | • Support and cooperation often, but not always, characterize relationships with colleagues. | | • Support and cooperation seldom characterize relationships with colleagues. | | • Support and cooperation rarely, if at all, characterize relationships with colleagues | | • Collegial relationships  • Cooperative spirit  • Promotes a culture of professionalism |
| **4a. Observation evidence, notes, comments**: | | | | | | | **4a. Performance Level** |
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| **PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY COMPETENCY 4b:** | | | | | | | |
| **Developing and Maintaining Collections, Managing Library Budget, and Maintaining Records** | | | | | | | |
| **Highly Effective** | **Effective: Proficient** | | **Effective: Emerging** | | **Ineffective** | | **Specific Evidence or Artifacts** |
| • Soliciting input from stakeholders, librarian consistently assesses collection, purchases new resources, and weeds the collection to keep holdings current and meet the needs of the changing student and instructional needs. | • Soliciting input from stakeholders, librarian often, but not always, assesses collection, purchases new resources, and weeds the collection to keep holdings current and meet the needs of the changing student and instructional needs. | | • Librarian seldom assesses collection, weeds collection, or solicits input from stakeholders prior to purchase of resources. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, assesses collection, weeds collection, or solicits input from stakeholders prior to purchase of resources. | | • List of requested resources  • Using data to assess collection  • Survey Data  • Periodic collection analysis  • Solicitation methods for resource suggestions  • Book Selection Methods  • Materials Selection Policy  • Ordering procedures  • Weeding collection – practices and procedures  • Weeding Statistics Reports |
| • Using data effectively, librarian consistently follows district, department and/or school guidelines for managing the budget and maintaining accurate financial records. | • Using data effectively, librarian often, but not always, follows district, department and/or school guidelines for managing the budget and maintaining accurate financial records. | | • Using data effectively, librarian seldom follows district, department and/or school guidelines for managing the budget and maintaining accurate financial records. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, follows district, department and/or school guidelines for managing the budget and maintaining accurate financial records. | | • Budget management  • Financial procedures for handling money  • Receipts  • District and/or state allocations  • Library generated income  • Lost book payments  • Library purchases |
| • Librarian consistently advocates for a progressive and comprehensive program by requesting financial support for resources and other needs. | • Librarian often, but not always, advocates for a progressive and comprehensive program by requesting financial support for resources and other needs. | | • Librarian seldom advocates for the library program by requesting financial support for resources and other needs. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, advocates for the library program by requesting financial support for resources and other needs. | | • Newsletters  • Library Website  • Exterior funding sources  • Grants |
| • Librarian consistently maintains accurate and easily accessible records including a catalog of resources, circulation records, an inventory of other holdings, and statistics of library use. | • Librarian often, but not always, maintains accurate and easily accessible records including a catalog of resources, circulation records, an inventory of other holdings, and statistics of library use. | | • Librarian seldom maintains accurate and easily accessible records including a catalog of resources, circulation records, an inventory of other holdings, and statistics of library use. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, maintains accurate and easily accessible records including a catalog of resources, circulation records, an inventory of other holdings, and statistics of library use. | | • Catalog of resources  • Cataloging procedures  • Inventory reports  • Circulation statistics  • Collection holdings |
| **4b. Observation evidence, notes, comments**: | | | | | | | **4b. Performance Level** |
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| **PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITY COMPETENCY 4c:** | | | | | | | |
| **Growing and Developing Professionally and Demonstrating Professional Ethics** | | | | | | | |
| **Highly Effective** | **Effective: Proficient** | | **Effective: Emerging** | | **Ineffective** | | **Specific Evidence or Artifacts** |
| • Librarian consistently pursues professional development opportunities and consistently contributes to the profession by sharing newly learned knowledge and practices and by seeking opportunities to lead professional development. | • Librarian often, but not always, pursues professional development opportunities and often, but not always, contributes to the profession by sharing newly learned knowledge and practices and by seeking opportunities to lead professional development. | | • Librarian seldom pursues professional development opportunities, does not contribute to the profession by sharing newly learned knowledge and practices, and does not seek opportunities to lead professional development. | | • Librarian rarely, if at all, pursues professional development opportunities and does not contribute to the profession by sharing newly learned knowledge. | | • Earns Continuing Learning Units  • Attendance at local, state, and national professional library conferences  • Participation in online communities  • Presentations at local, state, and national professional library conferences |
| • Through teaching and practice, librarian consistently demonstrates a commitment to professional ethics of librarianship by following copyright law and by upholding and defending the principles of the Library Bill of Rights and the American Library Association’s Code of Ethics. | • Through teaching and practice, librarian often, but not always, demonstrates a commitment to professional ethics of librarianship by following copyright law and by upholding and defending the principles of the Library Bill of Rights and the American Library Association’s Code of Ethics. | | • Through teaching and practice, librarian seldom demonstrates a commitment to professional ethics of librarianship. | | • Through teaching and practice, librarian rarely, if at all, demonstrates a commitment to professional ethics of librarianship. | | • Maintains access to ALA documents  • Library Bill of Rights  • Code of Ethics  • Freedom to Read Statement  • Adheres to U. S. copyright law  • Protects patron’s right to privacy and confidentiality  • Models and Encourage ethical behavior |
| **4c. Observation evidence, notes, comments**: | | | | | | | **4c. Performance Level** |
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| **OBSERVATION RATING SUMMARY** |  |  |  |  |
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| **COMPONENT** | | | | **RATING** |
| **1a: Demonstrating Knowledge of Curriculum, Students and Literature, Developing a Culture of Lifelong Learning, and Collaborating in the Design of Instructional Experiences** | | | |  |
| **1b: Supporting Instructional Outcomes, Demonstrating Knowledge and Use of Resources** | | | |  |
| **2a: Creating an Environment of Respect and Rapport** | | | |  |
| **2b: Managing Library Procedures and Organizing Physical Space** | | | |  |
| **3a: Communicating Clearly and Accurately** | | | |  |
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| **3c: Using Resources Effectively, Ethically and Responsibly** | | | |  |
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| **4c: Growing and Developing Professionally and Demonstrating Professional Ethics** | | | |  |
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