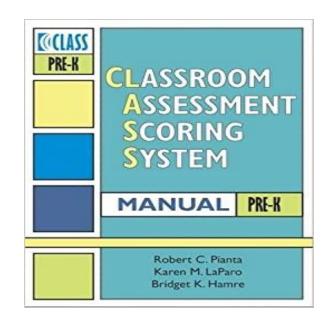
A Look Into CLASS



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State Board of Education STRATEGIC PLAN GOALS



ALL Students Proficient and Showing Growth in All Assessed Areas

EVERY School Has Effective Teachers and Leaders





EVERY Student Graduates from High School and is Ready for College and Career

Uses a World-Class Data System to Improve Student Outcomes





EVERY Child Has Access to a High-Quality Early Childhood Program

EVERY School and District is Rated "C" or Higher







VISION

To create a world-class educational system that gives students the knowledge and skills to be successful in college and the workforce, and to flourish as parents and citizens

MISSION

To provide leadership through the development of policy and accountability systems so that all students are prepared to compete in the global community





Agenda

- A Look into:
 - Emotional Support
 - Classroom Organization
 - Instructional Support
- Questions





How Every Child Can Thrive By Five?





Classroom Assessment Scoring System - CLASS

 CLASS – evaluates the effectiveness of teacher-child interactions.

- The CLASS Tool contains:
 - 3 Domains
 - 10 Dimensions
 - Many Indicators
 - Several Behavioral Markers







Small Differences in Teacher-Child Interactions Result in Real Differences in Children's Outcomes.







CLASS Domains and Dimensions

Emotional Support

- Positive Climate
- Negative Climate
- Teacher Sensitivity
- Regard for Student Perspective

Classroom Organization

- Behavior Management
- Productivity
- Instructional Learning Formats

Instructional Support

- Concept Development
- Quality of Feedback
- Language Modeling







Emotional Support – Positive Climate

- Relationships
- Positive affect
- Positive communication
- Respect









Emotional Support – Negative Climate

- Negative affect
- Punitive control
- Sarcasm or disrespect
- Severe negativity







Emotional Support – Teacher Sensitivity

- Awareness
- Responsiveness
- Addresses problems
- Student comfort









Emotional Support – Regard for Student Perspective

- Flexibility and Student Focus
- Support for autonomy and leadership
- Student expression
- Restriction of movement







Classroom Organization – Behavior Management

- Clear behavior expectations
- Proactive
- Redirection of misbehavior
- Student behavior





Classroom Organization – Productivity

- Maximizing learning time
- Routines
- Transitions
- Preparation





Classroom Organization – Instructional Learning Formats

- Effective facilitation
- Variety of modalities/material
- Student interest
- Clarity of learning objectives







Instructional Support – Concept Development

- Analysis and reasoning
- Creating
- Integration
- Connections to the real world







Instructional Support – Quality of Feedback

- Scaffolding
- Feedback loops
- Prompting thought processes
- Providing information
- Encouragement and affirmation







Instructional Support – Language Modeling

- Frequent conversations
- Open-ended questions
- Repetition and extension
- Self-and parallel talk
- Advanced language







CLASS observations

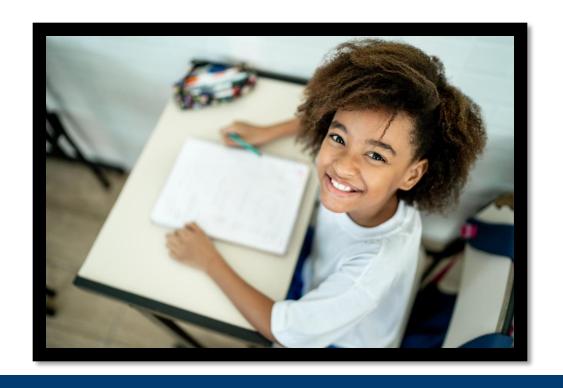
- A certified CLASS observer typically observes 4 cycles
- Each cycle includes:
 - 15-20 minutes observing and taking notes
 - Up to 10 minutes assigning codes to each child dimension
- Can be conducted between November May of each school year.





CLASS Dimensions Matching Activity

Can you match the teaching scenario to the right CLASS dimension?







A teacher notices a student is frustrated with his dull pencil. She asks if he needs help sharpening it or if he wants to do it himself.

- Teacher Sensitivity
- Quality of Feedback
- Positive Climate







Students play with a teacher on the floor during center time.

- Positive Climate
- Regard for Student Perspective
- Behavior Management







A teacher connects concepts during a lesson to the story the students heard yesterday.

- Language Modeling
- Quality of Feedback
- Concept Development







A teacher asks a student to explain her thinking when she incorrectly guesses the answer to a question.

- Quality of Feedback
- Positive climate
- Instructional Learning Formats







The teacher is actively involved during small group to encourage

student participation.

- Positive Climate
- Instructional Learning Formats
- Teacher Sensitivity







A teacher rolls her eyes when a student refuses to participate

during a whole group activity.

Productivity

- Negative Climate
- Behavior Management







A teacher allows students to talk during mealtime.

- Positive Climate
- Language Modeling
- Regard for Student Perspective







The teacher anticipates problems between two students and

separates them before they argue.

- Productivity
- Behavior Management
- Positive Climate







While reading a book, a student points and exclaims, "Dog!" The teacher says, "That's right. That's a Dalmatian dog. Dalmatians

have black spots."

- Teacher Sensitivity
- Language Modeling
- Concept Development







A teacher tells a student that when she is done with her picture,

she may begin working on the puzzle.

- Teacher Sensitivity
- Instructional Learning Formats
- Productivity







Any Questions?



