

CLASSROOM ASSESSMENT SCORING SYSTEM (CLASS) and DANIELSON'S FRAMEWORK FOR TEACHING

CROSSWALK

The Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS) is an observation instrument that measures the effectiveness of teacher-student interactions. It focuses on interactions that promote academic learning, engagement, and social development.


Charlotte Danielson's Framework for Teaching is a set of instructional components based in a constructivist view of learning and teaching. The Framework's four domains are Planning and Preparation, Classroom Environment, Instruction, and Professional Responsibilities. Danielson's work is closely associated with the edTPA (Teacher Performance Assessment) developed by Stanford University.


The following two charts show the relationships between Danielson's Framework for Teaching (at the component level) and The Classroom Assessment Scoring System (at the dimension level). It is important to note that:


- Both of these systems include much more detailed descriptions of teacher behaviors and samples of evidence than are represented here.
- CLASS is an observational measure of the interactions between teachers and students. It does not directly measure the way teachers design materials or activities, including assessments. By focusing on the degree to which students are engaged in their work, the level of their thinking, and the quality of feedback provided by the teacher, the CLASS measures the impact of materials, lessons, and assessment design.
- Indicators in Danielson's Domain 4 (Professional Responsibilities), typically observed outside the context of teacher-student interactions, are not measured directly by CLASS and are not shown on the crosswalks. Danielson's Indicators 4a and 4e (Reflecting on Teaching, Growing and Developing Professionally) are the focus of Teachstone's MyTeachingPartner coaching process and other CLASS-based professional development processes.

PRE-K THROUGH GRADE 3 CLASS

PRE-K – GRADE 3	CLASS Emotional Support Domain				CLASS Classroom Organization Domain			CLASS Instructional Support Domain		
DANIELSON'S FRAMEWORK	Positive Climate	Negative Climate	Teacher Sensitivity	Regard for Student Perspectives	Behavior Management	Productivity	Instructional Learning Formats	Concept Development	Quality of Feedback	Language Modeling
1a Demonstrating Knowledge of Content and Pedagogy										
1b Demonstrating Knowledge of Students										
1c Setting Instructional Outcomes										
1d Demonstrating Knowledge of Resources										
1e Designing Coherent Instruction										
1f Designing Student Assessments										
2a Creating an Environment of Respect and Rapport										
2b Establishing a Culture for Learning										
2c Managing Classroom Procedures										
2d Managing Student Behavior										
2e Organizing Physical Space										
3a Communicating With Students										
3b Using Questioning and Discussion Techniques										
3c Engaging Students in Learning										
3d Using Assessment in Instruction										
3e Demonstrating Flexibility and Responsiveness										


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GRADES 4 THROUGH 12 CLASS

Grades 4-12	CLASS Emotional Support Domain			CLASS Classroom Organization Domain			CLASS Instructional Support Domain					Student Engagement
	Positive Climate	Teacher Sensitivity	Regard for Student/Adolescent Perspectives	Behavior Management	Productivity	Negative Climate	Instructional Learning Format	Content Understanding	Analysis and Inquiry	Quality of Feedback	Instructional Dialogue	
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