## **Teacher Observation**

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# **Domain 1: Planning and Preparation**

t 2013 - HEDI - 1a:				
Component	Ineffective	Developing	Effective	Highly Effective
1a: Demonstrating Knowledge of Content and Pedagogy  Indicators: 1. Lesson and unit plans that reflect important concepts in the discipline 2. Lesson and unit plans that accommodate prerequisite relationships among concepts and skills 3. Clear and accurate classroom explanations 4. Accurate answers to students' questions 5. Feedback to students that furthers learning 6. Interdisciplinary connections in plans and practice.	In planning and practice, the teacher makes content errors or does not correct errors made by students. The teacher displays little understanding of prerequisite knowledge important to student learning of the content. The teacher displays little or no understanding of the range of pedagogical approaches suitable to student learning of the content.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher makes content errors.  2. The teacher does not consider prerequisite relationships when planning.  3. The teacher's plans use inappropriate strategies for the discipline.	The teacher is familiar with the important concepts in the discipline but displays a lack of awareness of how these concepts relate to one another. The teacher indicates some awareness of prerequisite learning, although such knowledge may be inaccurate or incomplete. The teacher's plans and practice reflect a limited range of pedagogical approaches to the discipline or to the students.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher's understanding of the discipline is rudimentary.  2. The teacher's knowledge of prerequisite relationships is inaccurate or incomplete.  3. Lesson and unit plans use limited instructional strategies, and some are not suitable to the content.	The teacher displays solid knowledge of the important concepts in the discipline and how these relate to one another. The teacher demonstrates accurate understanding of prerequisite relationships among topics. The teacher's plans and practice reflect familiarity with a wide range of effective pedagogical approaches in the subject.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher can identify important concepts of the discipline and their relationships to one another.  2. The teacher provides clear explanations of the content.  3. The teacher answers students' questions accurately and provides feedback that furthers their learning.  4. Instructional strategies in unit and lesson plans are entirely suitable to the content.	The teacher displays extensive knowledge of the important concepts in the discipline and how these relate both to one another and to other disciplines. The teacher demonstrates understanding of prerequisite relationships among topics and concepts and understands the link to necessary cognitive structures that ensure student understanding. The teacher's plans and practice reflect familiarity with a wide range of effective pedagogical approaches in the discipline and the ability to anticipate student misconceptions.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher cites intra- and interdisciplinary content relationships.  2. The teacher's plans demonstrate awareness of possible student misconceptions and how they can be addressed.  3. The teacher's plans reflect recent developments in content-related pedagogy.

# Rubric Score: 0/0

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1a: N/A	
Component	Insufficient Evidence
N/A	

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1a: Critical Attributes

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1b:			<u> </u>	
Component	Ineffective	Developing	Effective	Highly Effective
1b: Demonstrating Knowledge of Students  Indicators:  1. Formal and informal information about students gathered by the teacher for use in planning instruction  2. Student interests and needs learned by the teacher for use in planning  3. Teacher participation in community cultural events  4. Teacher-designed opportunities for families to share their heritages  5. Database of students with special needs.	The teacher displays minimal understanding of how students learn - and little knowledge of their varied approaches to learning, knowledge and skills, special needs, and interests and cultural heritages - and does not indicate that such knowledge is valuable.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher does not understand child development characteristics and has unrealistic expectations for students.  2. The teacher does not try to ascertain varied ability levels among students in the class.  3. The teacher is not aware of students' interests or cultural heritages.  4. The teacher takes no responsibility to learn about students' medical or learning disabilities.	The teacher displays generally accurate knowledge of how students learn and of their varied approaches to learning, knowledge and skills, special needs, and interests and cultural heritages, yet may apply this knowledge not to individual students but to the class as a whole.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher cites developmental theory but does not seek to integrate it into lesson planning.  2. The teacher is aware of the different ability levels in the class but tends to teach to the "whole group."  3. The teacher recognizes that students have different interests and cultural backgrounds but rarely draws on their contributions or differentiates materials to accommodate those differences.  4. The teacher is aware of medical issues and learning disabilities with some students but does not seek to understand	The teacher understands the active nature of student learning and attains information about levels of development for groups of students. The teacher also purposefully acquires knowledge from several sources about groups of students' varied approaches to learning, knowledge and skills, special needs, and interests and cultural heritages.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher knows, for groups of students, their levels of cognitive development.  2. The teacher is aware of the different cultural groups in the class.  3. The teacher has a good idea of the range of interests of students in the class.  4. The teacher has identified "high", "medium", and "low" groups of students within the class.  5. The teacher is well informed about students' cultural heritages and incorporates this knowledge in lesson planning.	The teacher understands the active nature of student learning and acquires information about levels of development for individual students. The teacher also systematically acquires knowledge from several sources about individual students' varied approaches to learning, knowledge and skills, special needs, and interests and cultural heritages.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher uses ongoing methods to assess students' skill levels and designs instruction accordingly.  2. The teacher seeks out information from all students about their cultural heritages.  3. The teacher maintains a system of updated student records and incorporates medical and/or learning needs into lesson plans.

special needs represented by knowledge. students in the class. **Rubric Score: 0/0** Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1b: N/A Insufficient Evidence Component N/A Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1b: Critical Attributes Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1c: Component Ineffective Developing **Effective Highly Effective** 1c: Setting Instructional The outcomes represent low Outcomes represent moderately Most outcomes represent All outcomes represent highexpectations for students and high expectations and rigor. rigorous and important learning level learning in the discipline. Outcomes lack of rigor, and not all of these Some reflect important learning in the discipline and are clear, They are clear, are written in the form of student learning, Indicators: outcomes reflect important in the discipline and consist of a are written in the form of 1. Outcomes of a challenging learning in the discipline. They combination of outcomes and student learning, and suggest and permit viable methods of cognitive level are stated as student activities, activities. Outcomes reflect viable methods of assessment. assessment. Outcomes reflect 2. Statements of student rather than as outcomes for several types of learning, but Outcomes reflect several several different types of learning, not student learning. Outcomes reflect only the teacher has made no effort different types of learning and learning and, where appropriate, activity one type of learning and only at coordination or integration. opportunities for coordination, represent both coordination and and they are differentiated, in 3. Outcomes central to the one discipline or strand and are Outcomes, based on global integration. Outcomes are assessments of student learning, discipline and related to suitable for only some students. differentiated, in whatever way whatever way is needed, for different groups of students. those in other disciplines are suitable for most of the is needed, for individual 4. Outcomes permitting **Critical Attributes:** students in the class. students. assessment of student **Critical Attributes:** 1. Outcomes lack rigor. attainment 2. Outcomes do not represent **Critical Attributes:** 1. Outcomes represent high **Critical Attributes:** 5. Outcomes differentiated important learning in the 1. Outcomes represent a expectations and rigor. 1. The teacher's plans reference for students of varied 2. Outcomes are related to "big discipline. mixture of low expectations and curricular frameworks or 3. Outcomes are not clear or are ability. ideas" of the discipline. blueprints to ensure accurate rigor. 3. Outcomes are written in stated as activities. 2. Some outcomes reflect sequencing. 4. Outcomes are not suitable for important learning in the terms of what students will learn 2. The teacher connects rather than do. many students in the class. discipline. outcomes to previous and future 3. Outcomes are suitable for 4. Outcomes represent a range learning. most of the class. of types: factual knowledge, 3. Outcomes are differentiated conceptual understanding, to encourage individual students reasoning, social interaction, to take educational risks. management, and communication. 5. Outcomes, differentiated where necessary, are suitable to groups of students in the class. Rubric Score: 0/0 Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1c: N/A **Insufficient Evidence** Component N/A Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1c: Critical Attributes Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1d: Ineffective Developing **Effective Highly Effective** Component 1d: Demonstrating The teacher is unaware of The teacher displays some The teacher displays awareness The teacher's knowledge of **Knowledge of Resources** resources to assist student awareness of resources beyond of resources beyond those resources for classroom use and those provided by the school or provided by the school or for extending one's professional learning beyond materials provided by the school or district for classroom use and district, including those on the skill is extensive, including those 1. Materials provided by the district, nor is the teacher aware for extending one's professional Internet, for classroom use and available through the school or district of resources for expanding one's skill but does not seek to for extending one's professional district, in the community, 2. Materials provided by own professional skill. expand this knowledge. skill, and seeks out such through professional professional organizations organizations and universities, resources. 3. A range of texts **Critical Attributes: Critical Attributes:** and on the Internet. 1. The teacher uses only district-1. The teacher uses materials in **Critical Attributes:** 4. Internet resources 1. Texts are at varied levels. Critical Attributes: 5. Community resources provided materials, even when the school library but does not 1. Texts are matched to student 6. Ongoing participation by more variety would assist some search beyond the school for 2. Texts are supplemented by guest speakers and field skill level. the teacher in professional students. resources. 2. The teacher does not seek 2. The teacher participates in 2. The teacher has ongoing education courses or experiences. professional groups 7. Guest speakers. out resources available to content-area workshops offered 3. The teacher facilitates the use relationships with colleges and universities that support student expand her own skill. by the school but does not of Internet resources. 3. Although the teacher is aware pursue other professional 4. Resources are learning. of some student needs, he does development. multidisciplinary. 3. The teacher maintains a log not inquire about possible 3. The teacher locates materials 5. The teacher expands his/her of resources for student resources. and resources for students that knowledge through professional reference. are available through the school learning groups and 4. The teacher pursues but does not pursue any other apprenticeships to increase organizations. discipline knowledge. 6. The teacher pursues options avenues. 5. The teacher facilitates student offered by universities. 7. The teacher provides lists of contact with resources outside resources outside the classroom the classroom. for students to draw on.

Rubric Score: 0/0

the implications of that

6. The teacher is aware of the

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1d: N/A

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1d: Critical Attributes

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1e:	ft 2013 - HEDI - 1e:			
Component	Ineffective	Developing	Effective	Highly Effective
1e: Designing Coherent Instruction  Indicators: 1. Lessons that support instructional outcomes and reflect important concepts 2. Instructional maps that indicate relationships to prior learning 3. Activities that represent high-level thinking 4. Opportunities for student choice 5. Use of varied resources 6. Thoughtfully planned learning groups 7. Structured lesson plans.	Learning activities are poorly aligned with the instructional outcomes, do not follow an organized progression, are not designed to engage students in active intellectual activity, and have unrealistic time allocations. Instructional groups are not suitable to the activities and offer no variety.  Critical Attributes:  1. Learning activities are boring and/or not well aligned to the instructional goals.  2. Materials are not engaging or do not meet instructional groups do not support learning.  3. Lesson plans are not structured or sequenced and are unrealistic in their expectations.	Some of the learning activities and materials are aligned with the instructional outcomes and represent moderate cognitive challenge, but with no differentiation for different students. Instructional groups partially support the activities, with some variety. The lesson or unit has a recognizable structure; but the progression of activities is uneven, with only some reasonable time allocations.  Critical Attributes:  1. Learning activities are moderately challenging.  2. Learning resources are suitable, but there is limited variety.  3. Instructional groups are random, or they only partially support objectives.  4. Lesson structure is uneven or may be unrealistic about time expectations.	Most of the learning activities are aligned with the instructional outcomes and follow an organized progression suitable to groups of students. The learning activities have reasonable time allocations; they represent significant cognitive challenge, with some differentiation for different groups of students and varied use of instructional groups.  Critical Attributes:  1. Learning activities are matched to instructional outcomes.  2. Activities provide opportunity for higher-level thinking.  3. The teacher provides a variety of appropriately challenging materials and resources.  4. Instructional student groups are organized thoughtfully to maximize learning and build on students' strengths.  5. The plan for the lesson or unit is well structured, with reasonable time allocations.	The sequence of learning activities follows a coherent sequence, is aligned to instructional goals, and is designed to engage students in high-level cognitive activity. These are appropriately differentiated for individual learners. Instructional groups are varied appropriately, with some opportunity for student choice.  Critical Attributes:  1. Activities permit student choice.  2. Learning experiences connect to other disciplines.  3. The teacher provides a variety of appropriately challenging resources that are differentiated for students in the class.  4. Lesson plans differentiate for individual student needs.
		Rubric Score: 0/0		

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1e: N/A		
Component	Insufficient Evidence	
N/A		

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1e: Critical Attributes

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1f:

Component	Ineffective	Developing	Effective	Highly Effective
Indicators:  1. Lesson plans indicating correspondence between assessments and instructional outcomes  2. Assessment types suitable to the style of outcome  3. Variety of performance opportunities for students  4. Modified assessments available for individual students as needed  5. Expectations clearly written with descriptors for each level of performance  6. Formative assessments designed to inform minute-to-minute decision making by the teacher during instruction.	Assessment procedures are not congruent with instructional outcomes and lack criteria by which student performance will be assessed. The teacher has no plan to incorporate formative assessment in the lesson or unit.  Critical Attributes:  1. Assessments do not match instructional outcomes. 2. Assessments lack criteria. 3. No formative assessments have been designed. 4. Assessment results do not affect future plans.	Assessment procedures are partially congruent with instructional outcomes. Assessment criteria and standards have been developed, but they are not clear. The teacher's approach to using formative assessment is rudimentary, including only some of the instructional outcomes.  Critical Attributes: 1. Only some of the instructional outcomes are addressed in the planned assessments. 2. Assessment criteria are vague. 3. Plans refer to the use of formative assessments, but they are not fully developed. 4. Assessment results are used to design lesson plans for the whole class, not individual students.	All the instructional outcomes may be assessed by the proposed assessment plan; assessment methodologies may have been adapted for groups of students. Assessment criteria and standards are clear. The teacher has a well-developed strategy for using formative assessment and has designed particular approaches to be used.  Critical Attributes:  1. All the learning outcomes have a method for assessment. 2. Assessment types match learning expectations. 3. Plans indicate modified assessments when they are necessary for some students. 4. Assessment criteria are clearly written. 5. Plans include formative assessments to use during instruction. 6. Lesson plans indicate possible adjustments based on formative assessment data.	All the instructional outcomes may be assessed by the proposed assessment plan, with clear criteria for assessing student work. The plan contains evidence of student contribution to its development. Assessment methodologies have been adapted for individual students as the need has arisen. The approach to using formative assessment is well designed and includes student as well as teacher use of the assessment information.  Critical Attributes:  1. Assessments provide opportunities for student choice. 2. Students participate in designing assessments for their own work. 3. Teacher-designed assessments are authentic, with real-world application as appropriate. 4. Students develop rubrics according to teacher-specified learning objectives. 5. Students are actively involved in collecting information from formative assessments and provide input.
		Rubric Score: 0/0		

**Insufficient Evidence** 

Component

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 1f: N/A

N/A

# **Domain 2: The Classroom Environment**

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2a: Ineffective **Effective Highly Effective** Component Developing 2a: Creating an Environment Patterns of classroom Patterns of classroom Teacher-student interactions are Classroom interactions between of Respect and Rapport interactions, both between interactions, both between friendly and demonstrate the teacher and students and teacher and students and among general caring and respect. among students are highly teacher and students and among students, are generally appropriate but may reflect respectful, reflecting genuine Indicators: students, are mostly negative, Such interactions are 1. Respectful talk, active inappropriate, or insensitive to appropriate to the ages, warmth, caring, and sensitivity listening, and turn-taking 2. Acknowledgment of students' ages, cultural occasional inconsistencies, cultures, and developmental to students as individuals favoritism, and disregard for backgrounds, and levels of the students. Students exhibit respect for the students' backgrounds and developmental levels. Student students' ages, cultures, and Interactions among students are teacher and contribute to high lives outside the classroom developmental levels. Students generally polite and respectful, levels of civility among all interactions are characterized by rarely demonstrate disrespect 3. Body language indicative sarcasm, put-downs, or conflict. and students exhibit respect for members of the class. The net of warmth and caring shown The teacher does not deal with for one another. The teacher the teacher. The teacher result is an environment where by teacher and students disrespectful behavior. attempts to respond to responds successfully to all students feel valued and are 4. Physical proximity disrespectful behavior, with disrespectful behavior among comfortable taking intellectual 5. Politeness and **Critical Attributes:** uneven results. The net result of students. The net result of the encouragement 1. The teacher is disrespectful the interactions is neutral, interactions is polite, respectful, 6. Fairness. toward students or insensitive to conveying neither warmth nor and business-like, though **Critical Attributes:** students' ages, cultural conflict. students may be somewhat 1. The teacher demonstrates cautious about taking intellectual knowledge and caring about backgrounds, and developmental levels. 2. Students' body language **Critical Attributes:** individual students' lives beyond risks. 1. The quality of interactions the class and school. indicates feelings of hurt, **Critical Attributes:** 2. There is no disrespectful between teacher and students. 1. Talk between the teacher and behavior among students discomfort, or insecurity. or among students, is uneven, 3. When necessary, students respectfully correct one another. 3. The teacher displays no with occasional disrespect or students and among students is familiarity with, or caring about, insensitivity. uniformly respectful. 2. The teacher attempts to individual students. 2. The teacher successfully 4. Students participate without 4. The teacher disregards respond to disrespectful responds to disrespectful fear of put-downs or ridicule disrespectful interactions among behavior among students, with behavior among students. from either the teacher or other students. uneven results. 3. Students participate willingly, 3. The teacher attempts to make but may be somewhat hesitant . The teacher respects and connections with individual to offer their ideas in front of encourages students' efforts. students, but student reactions classmates. indicate that these attempts are 4. The teacher makes general not entirely successful. connections with individual students. 5. Students exhibit respect for the teacher. Notes and Evidence: There was no disrespectful behavior noted Students worked in pairs and participate without put-downs Ms. DiFede encouraged the students' efforts **Rubric Score: 4/4**

# Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2a: N/A

Component **Insufficient Evidence** 

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2a: Critical Attributes

- Highly Effective The teacher demonstrates knowledge and caring about individual students' lives beyond the class and school.
- Highly Effective There is no disrespectful behavior among students.
- Highly Effective When necessary, students respectfully correct one another.
- Highly Effective Students participate without fear of put-downs or ridicule from either the teacher or other students.
- Highly Effective The teacher respects and encourages students' efforts.

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2b: Component Ineffective Developing Effective

### 2b: Establishing a Culture for Learning

### Indicators:

N/A

- 1. Belief in the value of what
- is being learned
- 2. High expectations, supported through both verbal and nonverbal behaviors, for both learning
- and participation 3. Expectation of highquality work on the part of
- students 4. Expectation and recognition of effort and
- persistence on the part of students 5. High expectations for
- expression and work products.

The classroom culture is characterized by a lack of teacher or student commitment to learning, and/or little or no investment of student energy in the task at hand. Hard work and the precise use of language are not expected or valued. Medium to low expectations for student achievement are the norm, with high expectations for learning reserved for only one or two students.

### **Critical Attributes:**

pride in their work.

- 1. The teacher conveys that there is little or no purpose for the work, or that the reasons for doing it are due to external factors.
- 2. The teacher conveys to at least some students that the
- work is too challenging for them. 3. Students exhibit little or no
- 4. Students use language incorrectly; the teacher does not correct them.

The classroom culture is characterized by little commitment to learning by the teacher or students. The teacher appears to be only "going through the motions," and students indicate that they are interested in the completion of a task rather than the quality of the work. The teacher conveys that student success is the result of natural ability rather than hard work, and refers only in passing to the precise use of language. High expectations for learning are reserved for those students thought to have a natural aptitude for the subject.

### **Critical Attributes:**

- 1. The teacher's energy for the work is neutral, neither indicating a high level of commitment nor ascribing the need to do the work to external forces.
- 2. The teacher convevs high expectations for only some
- students. 3. Students exhibit a limited commitment to complete the

work on their own; many

The classroom culture is a place where learning is valued by all; high expectations for both learning and hard work are the norm for most students. Students understand their role as learners and consistently expend effort to learn. Classroom interactions support learning, hard work, and the precise use of language.

### **Critical Attributes:**

- 1. The teacher communicates the importance of the content and the conviction that with hard work all students can master the material.
- 2. The teacher demonstrates a high regard for students'
- abilities. 3. The teacher conveys an expectation of high levels of
- student effort. 4. Students expend good effort to complete work of high quality.
- 5. The teacher insists on precise use of language by students.

**Highly Effective** The classroom culture is a cognitively busy place, characterized by a shared belief in the importance of learning. The teacher conveys high expectations for learning for all students and insists on hard work; students assume responsibility for high quality by initiating improvements, making revisions, adding detail, and/or assisting peers in their precise use of language.

# **Critical Attributes:**

- 1. The teacher communicates passion for the subject 2. The teacher conveys the
- satisfaction that accompanies a deep understanding of complex
- 3. Students indicate through their questions and comments a desire to understand the content
- 4. Students assist their classmates in understanding the content
- 5. Students take initiative in improving the quality of their work.
  - 6. Students correct one another

students indicate that they are looking for an "easy path". 4. The teacher's primary concern appears to be to complete the task at hand. 5. The teacher urges, but does not insist, that students use

in their use of language

Notes and Evidence:

Students worked in pairs to complete a task with minimal teacher prompting

precise language.

- Students corrected each other's work Students assisted each other in developing "slices" throughout the lesson

### **Rubric Score: 4/4**

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2b: N/A	
Component	Insufficient Evidence
N/A	

Developing

Some instructional time is lost

due to partially effective

procedures. The teacher's

students follow established

routines, and volunteers and

paraprofessionals perform their

management of instructional

classroom routines and

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2b: Critical Attributes

- Highly Effective The teacher communicates passion for the subject.
- Highly Effective The teacher conveys the satisfaction that accompanies a deep understanding of complex content.
- Highly Effective Students indicate through their questions and comments a desire to understand the content.
- Highly Effective Students assist their classmates in understanding the content.
- Highly Effective Students take initiative in improving the quality of their work.
- Highly Effective Students correct one another in their use of language.

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2c:

**Procedures** 

Ineffective Component Much instructional time is lost 2c: Managing Classroom

### Indicators:

1. Smooth functioning of all routines

2. Little or no loss of instructional time 3. Students playing an

important role in carrying out the routines

4. Students knowing what to do, where to move.

routines and procedures. There is little or no evidence of the teacher's management of instructional groups and transitions and/or handling of materials and supplies effectively. There is little evidence that students know or follow established routines, or that volunteers and paraprofessionals have clearly defined tasks.

due to inefficient classroom

### **Critical Attributes:**

- 1. Students not working with the teacher are not productively engaged.
- 2. Transitions are disorganized, with much loss of instructional time.
- 3. There do not appear to be any established procedures for distributing and collecting materials.
- 4. A considerable amount of time is spent off task because of unclear procedures.
- 5. Volunteers and

Component

### paraprofessionals have no defined role and/or are idle unevenly. much of the time.

Notes and Evidence:

03/16/2017 11:29 am: The goal of this is to break it into really small pieces, not to get it to work.

03/16/2017 11:49 am: Another slice call.

### **Effective Highly Effective** There is little loss of instructional Instructional time is maximized due to efficient and seamless classroom routines and

time due to effective classroom routines and procedures. The teacher's management of instructional groups and transitions, or handling of

groups and transitions, or materials and supplies, or both, handling of materials and supplies, or both, are are consistently successful. With inconsistent, leading to some minimal guidance and disruption of learning. With prompting, students follow regular guidance and prompting, established classroom routines,

duties.

- **Critical Attributes:** 1. Students not working directly with the teacher are only partially engaged.
- 2. Procedures for transitions seem to have been established, but their operation is not smooth.
- 3. There appear to be established routines for distribution and collection of materials, but students are
- confused about how to carry them out. 4. Classroom routines function
- 5. Volunteers and paraprofessionals require frequent supervision.

### the class. **Critical Attributes:**

and volunteers and

1. Students are productively engaged during small-group or independent work. 2. Transitions between large-

paraprofessionals contribute to

- and small-group activities are smooth. 3. Routines for distribution and
- collection of materials and supplies work efficiently. 4. Classroom routines function
- smoothly. 5. Volunteers and
- paraprofessionals work with minimal supervision.

### **Critical Attributes:** 1. With minimal prompting by

procedures. Students take

of materials and supplies

and may be initiated by

students. Volunteers and

paraprofessionals make an

independent contribution to the

initiative in the management of

instructional groups and transitions, and/or the handling

Routines are well understood

- the teacher, students ensure that their time is used productively.
  2. Students take initiative in distributing and collecting
- materials efficiently 3. Students themselves ensure that transitions and other routines are accomplished
- smoothly. 4. Volunteers and
- paraprofessionals take initiative in their work in the class.

03/16/2017 11:16 am: On the screen was an assignment for the students to complete.

03/16/2017 11:29 am: The point is to slice small. If you do really small slices... this is what I want 03/16/2017 11:40 am: So we don't have a place for user input... we need to get started with this

03/16/2017 11:42 am: Another two slice calls...

03/16/2017 12:00 pm: I will keep you for 15 minutes... then I want to talk about it. You will have the last half hour for lunch.

Rubric Score: 4/4

# Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2c: Critical Attributes

- Effective Classroom routines function smoothly.
- Highly Effective With minimal prompting by the teacher, students ensure that their time is used productively.

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2c: N/A

N/A

- Highly Effective Students themselves ensure that transitions and other routines are accomplished smoothly.

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2d:

Highly Effective			
Student behavior is entirely			
appropriate. Students take an			

- Ineffective Component 2d: Managing Student There appear to be no Behavior established standards of
  - conduct, or students challenge

Standards of conduct appear to have been established, but their implementation is inconsistent.

Developing

Student behavior is generally appropriate. The teacher monitors student behavior

**Effective** 

Insufficient Evidence

active role in monitoring their

Indicators: them. There is little or no The teacher tries, with uneven against established standards of own behavior and/or that of other students against standards of conduct. Teacher monitoring results, to monitor student 1. Clear standards of teacher monitoring of student conduct. Teacher response to conduct, possibly posted, behavior, and response to behavior and respond to student student misbehavior is and possibly referred to students' misbehavior is misbehavior. consistent, proportionate, and of student behavior is subtle and preventive. The teacher's during a lesson repressive or disrespectful of respectful to students and is 2. Absence of acrimony student dignity. **Critical Attributes:** effective. response to student misbehavior 1. The teacher attempts to is sensitive to individual student between teacher and students concerning **Critical Attributes:** maintain order in the classroom, **Critical Attributes:** needs and respects students' behavior Teacher 1. The classroom environment is referring to classroom rules, but 1. Standards of conduct appear dignity. awareness of student chaotic, with no standards of with uneven success. to have been established and conduct conduct evident. 2. The teacher attempts to keep implemented successfully. **Critical Attributes:** 3. Preventive action when 2. The teacher does not monitor track of student behavior, but 2. Overall, student behavior is 1. Student behavior is entirely needed by the teacher student behavior. with no apparent system. generally appropriate. appropriate; any student 4. Absence of misbehavior 3. Some students disrupt the 3. The teacher's response to 3. The teacher frequently misbehavior is very minor and 5. Reinforcement of positive classroom, without apparent student misbehavior is monitors student behavior. swiftly handled. 2. The teacher silently and behavior. teacher awareness or with an inconsistent: sometimes harsh, 4. The teacher's response to student misbehavior is effective. subtly monitors student ineffective response. other times lenient. behavior. 3. Students respectfully intervene with classmates at appropriate moments to ensure compliance with standards of conduct. Notes and Evidence:

# Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2d: N/A Component Insufficient Evidence N/A

**Rubric Score: 4/4** 

# Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2d: Critical Attributes Highly Effective - Student behavior is entirely appropriate; any student misbehavior is very minor and swiftly handled.

riigily Effective Student behavior is charcy appropriate, any student misbenavior is very minor and swindy handed.

No behavior problems observed.

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2e:				
Component	Ineffective	Developing	Effective	Highly Effective
2e: Organizing Physical Space  Indicators: 1. Pleasant, inviting atmosphere 2. Safe environment 3. Accessibility for all students 4. Furniture arrangement suitable for the learning activities 5. Effective use of physical resources, including computer technology, by both teacher and students.	The classroom environment is unsafe, or learning is not accessible to many. There is poor alignment between the arrangement of furniture and resources, including computer technology, and the lesson activities.  Critical Attributes:  1. There are physical hazards in the classroom, endangering student safety.  2. Many students can't see or hear the teacher or see the board.  3. Available technology is not being used even if it is available and its use would enhance the lesson.	The classroom is safe, and essential learning is accessible to most students. The teacher makes modest use of physical resources, including computer technology. The teacher attempts to adjust the classroom furniture for a lesson or, if necessary, to adjust the lesson to the furniture, but with limited effectiveness.  Critical Attributes:  1. The physical environment is safe, and most students can see and hear the teacher or see the board.  2. The physical environment is not an impediment to learning but does not enhance it.  3. The teacher makes limited use of available technology and other resources.	The classroom is safe, and students have equal access to learning activities; the teacher ensures that the furniture arrangement is appropriate to the learning activities and uses physical resources, including computer technology, effectively.  Critical Attributes:  1. The classroom is safe, and all students are able to see and hear the teacher or see the board.  2. The classroom is arranged to support the instructional goals and learning activities.  3. The teacher makes appropriate use of available technology.	The classroom environment is safe, and learning is accessible to all students, including those with special needs. The teacher makes effective use of physical resources, including computer technology. The teacher ensures that the physical arrangement is appropriate to the learning activities. Students contribute to the use or adaptation of the physical environment to advance learning.  Critical Attributes:  1. Modifications are made to the physical environment to accommodate students with special needs.  2. There is total alignment between the learning activities and the physical environment.  3. Students take the initiative to adjust the physical environment.  4. The teacher and students make extensive and imaginative use of available technology.
Rubric Score: 0/0				

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2e: Critical Attributes

Component

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 2e: N/A

N/A

# **Domain 3: Instruction**

**Insufficient Evidence** 

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3a:				
Component	Ineffective	Developing	Effective	Highly Effective
3a: Communicating with Students	The instructional purpose of the lesson is unclear to students, and the directions and	The teacher's attempt to explain the instructional purpose has only limited success, and/or	The instructional purpose of the lesson is clearly communicated to students, including where it is	The teacher links the instructional purpose of the lesson to the larger curriculum;
Indicators: 1. Clarity of lesson purpose	procedures are confusing. The teacher's explanation of the	directions and procedures must be clarified after initial student	situated within broader learning; directions and procedures are	the directions and procedures are clear and anticipate possible
2. Clear directions and procedures specific to the	content contains major errors and does not include any	confusion. The teacher's explanation of the content may	explained clearly and may be modeled. The teacher's	student misunderstanding. The teacher's explanation of content
lesson activities 3. Absence of content errors	explanation of strategies students might use. The	contain minor errors; some portions are clear, others	explanation of content is scaffolded, clear, and accurate	is thorough and clear, developing conceptual
and clear explanations of concepts and strategies 4. Correct and imaginative	teacher's spoken or written language contains errors of grammar or syntax. The	difficult to follow. The teacher's explanation does not invite students to engage intellectually	and connects with students' knowledge and experience. During the explanation of	understanding through clear scaffolding and connecting with students' interests. Students

use of language. teacher's academic vocabulary or to understand strategies they content, the teacher focuses, as contribute to extending the content by explaining concepts is inappropriate, vague, or used might use when working appropriate, on strategies incorrectly, leaving students independently. The teacher's students can use when working to their classmates and spoken language is correct but uses vocabulary that is either independently and invites student intellectual engagement. suggesting strategies that might be used. The teacher's spoken confused. and written language is expressive, and the teacher **Critical Attributes:** limited or not fully appropriate The teacher's spoken and to the students' ages or written language is clear and 1. At no time during the lesson does the teacher convey to backgrounds. The teacher rarely correct and is suitable to finds opportunities to extend students what they will be takes opportunities to explain students' vocabularies, both students' ages and interests. learning. academic vocabulary. The teacher's use of academic within the discipline and for 2. Students indicate through vocabulary is precise and serves more general use. Students body language or questions that **Critical Attributes:** to extend student contribute to the correct use of they don't understand the 1. The teacher provides little understanding. academic vocabulary. content being presented. elaboration or explanation about 3. The teacher makes a serious what the students will be **Critical Attributes: Critical Attributes:** 1. If asked, students are able to explain what they are learning content error that will affect learning. 2. The teacher's explanation of students' understanding of the some point during the lesson, lesson. the content consists of a what the students will be and where it fits into the larger 4. Students indicate through monologue, with minimal learning. curriculum context their questions that they are participation or intellectual 2. The teacher's explanation of 2. The teacher explains content clearly and imaginatively, using metaphors and analogies to bring content to life.

3. The teacher points out content is clear and invites confused about the learning engagement by students. 3. The teacher makes no serious student participation and task. 5. The teacher's communications content errors but may make thinking. include errors of vocabulary or 3. The teacher makes no minor ones. usage or imprecise use of 4. The teacher's explanations of content errors. possible areas for academic language. content are purely procedural, 4. The teacher describes specific misunderstanding. 6. The teacher's vocabulary is with no indication of how strategies students might use, 4. The teacher invites students inappropriate to the age or students can think strategically. to explain the content to their inviting students to interpret 5. The teacher must clarify the culture of the students. them in the context of what classmates. learning task so students can they're learning. 5. Students suggest other strategies they might use in approaching a challenge or 5. Students engage with the complete it. 6. The teacher's vocabulary and learning task, indicating that usage are correct but they understand what they are analysis unimaginative. to do. 6. The teacher uses rich 7. When the teacher attempts to 6. If appropriate, the teacher language, offering brief explain academic vocabulary, it models the process to be followed in the task. vocabulary lessons where appropriate, both for general is only partially successful. 8. The teacher's vocabulary is 7. The teacher's vocabulary and vocabulary and for the discipline too advanced, or too juvenile, usage are correct and entirely suited to the lesson, including, where appropriate, explanations 7. Students use academic for students. language correctly. of academic vocabulary. 8. The teacher's vocabulary is appropriate to students' ages and levels of development. Notes and Evidence: 03/16/2017 11:17 am: Some of you are struggling more than others 03/16/2017 11:17 am: Someone want to start with a slice... 03/16/2017 11:18 am: Basic HTML Page - "Hello World" 03/16/2017 11:18 am: Make a text box input - repeat text back to user 03/16/2017 11:18 am: Can you see that Leo 03/16/2017 11:19 am: Add CSS... make it look pretty 03/16/2017 11:20 am: Implement 5 states sales tax 03/16/2017 11:23 am: We are trying to make a calculator to buy something... 03/16/2017 11:24 am: The next thing we need to do is to make sales tax.... we don't have to do all the states; we could implement one first. 03/16/2017 11:25 am: There is one thing in the handout that we are not doing yet.... state code? 03/16/2017 11:26 am: Implement 1 discount.. then implement the rest 03/16/2017 11:28 am: What we are going to do now is to actually write this... we are going to program it. 03/16/2017 11:38 am: Carlos... you are good at this.. slicing! 03/16/2017 11:38 am: The timer is done... I want you to show another group what you have been doing. 03/16/2017 11:50 am: Try this. 03/16/2017 12:04 pm: OK.. so we are done. 03/16/2017 12:05 pm: Can you turn around and look at me... I know you are hungry 03/16/2017 12:08 pm: If you Google assignment four, you will not get an answer... but if you ask the right questions, you can find the 03/16/2017 12:09 pm: You are still learning your skills, and it's important to break things down 03/16/2017 12:09 pm: This exercise is meant for experienced software developers. You will use this in your career. **Rubric Score: 4/4** 

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3a: N/A Insufficient Evidence Component N/A

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3a: Critical Attributes

- Highly Effective The teacher explains content clearly and imaginatively, using metaphors and analogies to bring content to life.
- Highly Effective The teacher points out possible areas for misunderstanding. Highly Effective - The teacher invites students to explain the content to their classmates.
- Highly Effective Students suggest other strategies they might use in approaching a challenge or analysis.

approaches, even when students to explain their

	nightly Effective - Students use academic language correctly.					
	Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3b:					
	Component	Ineffective	Developing	Effective	Highly Effective	
	3b: Using Questioning and Discussion Techniques	The teacher's questions are of low cognitive challenge, with single correct responses, and	The teacher's questions lead students through a single path of inquiry, with answers seemingly	While the teacher may use some low-level questions, he poses questions designed to promote	The teacher uses a variety or series of questions or prompts to challenge students	
	Indicators:	are asked in rapid succession.	determined in advance.	student thinking and	cognitively, advance high-level	
Ш	1. Questions of high	Interaction between the teacher	Alternatively, the teacher	understanding. The teacher	thinking and discourse, and	
	cognitive challenge,	and students is predominantly	attempts to ask some questions	creates a genuine discussion	promote metacognition.	
	formulated by both students	recitation style, with the teacher	designed to engage students in	among students, providing	Students formulate many	
	and teacher	mediating all questions and	thinking, but only a few students	adequate time for students to	questions, initiate topics,	
	2. Questions with multiple	answers; the teacher accepts all	are involved. The teacher	respond and stepping aside	challenge one another's	
	correct answers or multiple	contributions without asking	attempts to engage all students	when doing so is appropriate.	thinking, and make unsolicited	

in the discussion, to encourage The teacher challenges students contributions. Students

there is a single correct reasoning. Only a few students response 3. Effective use of student responses and ideas **Critical Attributes:** 1. Questions are rapid-fire and 4. Discussion, with the teacher stepping out of the central, mediating role answer. 5. Focus on the reasoning exhibited by students in student thinking.

discussion, both in give-and

-take with the teacher and

participation in discussion.

6. High levels of student

with their classmates

participate in the discussion.

- convergent, with a single correct
- 2. Questions do not invite
- 3. All discussion is between the teacher and students; students are not invited to speak directly to one another.
- 4. The teacher does not ask students to explain their
- thinking.
  5. Only a few students dominate the discussion.

### with uneven results. **Critical Attributes:**

1. The teacher frames some questions designed to promote student thinking, but many have a single correct answer, and the teacher calls on students quickly.

them to respond to one another,

and to explain their thinking,

- 2. The teacher invites students to respond directly to one another's ideas, but few students respond. 3. The teacher calls on many
- students, but only a small number actually participate in the discussion.
- 4. The teacher asks students to explain their reasoning, but only some students attempt to do so.

to justify their thinking and successfully engages most students in the discussion, employing a range of strategies to ensure that most students are

### **Critical Attributes:**

- 1. The teacher uses open-ended questions, inviting students to think and/or offer multiple possible answers.
- 2. The teacher makes effective use of wait time.
- 3. Discussions enable students to talk to one another without ongoing mediation by teacher. 4. The teacher calls on most
- students, even those who don't initially volunteer.
- 5. Many students actively engage in the discussion. 6. The teacher asks students to
- justify their reasoning, and most attempt to do so.

themselves ensure that all voices are heard in the discussion.

### **Critical Attributes:**

- 1. Students initiate higher-order questions.
- 2. The teacher builds on and uses student responses to questions in order to deepen student understanding.
- 3. Students extend the discussion, enriching it.
- 4. Students invite comments from their classmates during a discussion and challenge one another's thinking.
  5. Virtually all students are
- engaged in the discussion.

Notes and Evidence:

03/16/2017 11:19 am: What is another step... does not have to be the next step... it could be the last step.

03/16/2017 11:19 am: working calculator with sales tax... what's another step?

03/16/2017 11:21 am: make a second text box for the amount per item... what is your output? 03/16/2017 11:23 am: What is the next step we need to do? Multiply.

03/16/2017 11:28 am: Once you complete a slice, you yell it out 03/16/2017 11:35 am: how are we doing? I should hear my first slice

03/16/2017 11:50 am: So... when you click submit... you want something to come up... where?

03/16/2017 11:59 am: Can I see your page?

03/16/2017 12:05 pm: What did you think about this wat?

03/16/2017 12:06 pm: What was the process of this activity? It reminds me of conveyor belt.

### Rubric Score: 3/4

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3b: N/A Component **Insufficient Evidence** N/A

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3b: Critical Attributes

- Effective The teacher uses open-ended questions, inviting students to think and/or offer multiple possible answers.
- Effective The teacher makes effective use of wait time.
- Effective Discussions enable students to talk to one another without ongoing mediation by teacher. Effective - Many students actively engage in the discussion.

Ineffective

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3c: Component

### 3c: Engaging Students in Learning Indicators: 1. Student enthusiasm,

- interest, thinking, problem solving, etc. 2. Learning tasks that require high-level student
- thinking and invite students to explain their thinking 3. Students highly motivated to work on all tasks and persistent even when the . tasks are challenging 4. Students actively "working," rather than watching while their teacher "works"
- 5. Suitable pacing of the lesson: neither dragged out nor rushed, with time for closure and student reflection.

The learning tasks/activities, materials, and resources are poorly aligned with the instructional outcomes, or require only rote responses, with only one approach possible. The groupings of students are unsuitable to the activities. The lesson has no clearly defined structure, or the pace of the lesson is too slow or rushed.

### **Critical Attributes:**

- 1. Few students are intellectually engaged in the lesson.
- 2. Learning tasks/activities and materials require only recall or have a single correct response or method.
- 3. Instructional materials used are unsuitable to the lesson and/or the students.
- 4. The lesson drags or is rushed. 5. Only one type of instructional group is used (whole group, small groups) when variety would promote more student engagement.

The learning tasks and activities are partially aligned with the instructional outcomes but require only minimal thinking by students and little opportunity for them to explain their thinking, allowing most students to be passive or merely compliant. The groupings of students are moderately suitable to the activities. The lesson has a recognizable structure; however, the pacing of the lesson may not provide students the time needed to be intellectually engaged or may be so slow that many students have a considerable amount of "downtime."

Developing

### **Critical Attributes:**

- Some students are intellectually engaged in the lesson.
- 2. Learning tasks are a mix of those requiring thinking and those requiring recall.
- 3. Student engagement with the content is largely passive; the learning consists primarily of facts or procedures.
- 4. The materials and resources are partially aligned to the lesson objectives.
- 5. Few of the materials and resources require student thinking or ask students to explain their thinking. 6. The pacing of the lesson is
- uneven suitable in parts but rushed or dragging in others. 7. The instructional groupings used are partially appropriate to the activities.

The learning tasks and activities are fully aligned with the instructional outcomes and are designed to challenge student thinking, inviting students to make their thinking visible. This technique results in active intellectual engagement by most students with important and challenging content, and with teacher scaffolding to support that engagement. The groupings of students are suitable to the activities. The lesson has a clearly defined structure, and the pacing of the lesson is appropriate, providing most students the time needed to be intellectually engaged.

### **Critical Attributes:**

1. Most students are intellectually engaged in the lesson.

**Effective** 

- 2. Most learning tasks have multiple correct responses or approaches and/or encourage higher-order thinking.
- 3. Students are invited to explain their thinking as part of completing tasks.
- 4. Materials and resources support the learning goals and require intellectual engagement, as appropriate.
- 5. The pacing of the lesson provides students the time needed to be intellectually engaged.
- 6. The teacher uses groupings that are suitable to the lesson activities.

intellectually engaged in challenging content through well -designed learning tasks and activities that require complex thinking by students. The teacher provides suitable scaffolding and challenges students to explain their thinking. There is evidence of some student initiation of inquiry and student contributions to the exploration of important content; students may serve as resources for one another. The lesson has a clearly defined structure, and the pacing of the lesson provides students the time needed not only to intellectually engage with and reflect upon their learning but also to consolidate their understanding.

**Highly Effective** 

Virtually all students are

### Critical Attributes:

1. Virtually all students are intellectually engaged in the lesson. 2. Lesson activities require high-

level student thinking and

- explanations of their thinking 3. Students take initiative to adapt the lesson by (1) modifying a learning task to make it more meaningful or relevant to their needs, (2) suggesting modifications to the grouping patterns used, and/or (3) suggesting modifications or
- additions to the materials being used. 4. Students have an opportunity for reflection and closure on the lesson to consolidate their

understanding Notes and Evidence: 03/16/2017 11:28 am: We are going to program in little 8 minute slices. 03/16/2017 11:28 am: 5 - 8 minute periods of iteration; then share it with another group. 03/16/2017 11:32 am: The students are working in pairs to complete their slices

03/16/2017 12:08 pm: You don't like breaking it down.... but you need to have this skill. When you get more comfortable, you can do bigger

**Rubric Score: 4/4** 

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3c: N/A	
Component	Insufficient Evidence
N/A	

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3c: Critical Attributes

- Highly Effective Virtually all students are intellectually engaged in the lesson.

  Highly Effective Lesson activities require high-level student thinking and explanations of their thinking.
- Highly Effective Students have an opportunity for reflection and closure on the lesson to consolidate their understanding.

• Highly Effective - Students have an opportunity for reflection and closure on the lesson to consolidate their understanding.					
Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3d:					
Component	Ineffective	Developing	Effective	Highly Effective	
Indicators: 1. The teacher paying close attention to evidence of student understanding 2. The teacher posing specifically created questions to elicit evidence of student understanding 3. The teacher circulating to monitor student learning and to offer feedback 4. Students assessing their own work against established criteria.	Students do not appear to be aware of the assessment criteria, and there is little or no monitoring of student learning; seedback is absent or of poor quality. Students do not engage in self- or peer assessment.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher gives no indication of what high-quality work looks like.  2. The teacher makes no effort to determine whether students understand the lesson.  3. Students receive no seedback, or feedback is global or directed to only one student.  4. The teacher does not ask students to evaluate their own or classmates' work.		Students appear to be aware of the assessment criteria, and the teacher monitors student learning for groups of students. Questions and assessments are regularly used to diagnose evidence of learning. Teacher feedback to groups of students is accurate and specific; some students engage in self-assessment.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher makes the standards of high-quality work clear to students.  2. The teacher elicits evidence of student understanding.  3. Students are invited to assess their own work and make improvements; most of them do so.  4. Feedback includes specific and timely guidance, at least for groups of students.	Assessment is fully integrated into instruction, through extensive use of formative assessment. Students appear to be aware of, and there is some evidence that they have contributed to, the assessment criteria. Questions and assessments are used regularly to diagnose evidence of learning by individual students. A variety of forms of feedback, from both teacher and peers, is accurate and specific and advances learning. Students self-assess and monitor their own progress. The teacher successfully differentiates instruction to address individual students' misunderstandings.  Critical Attributes:  1. Students indicate that they clearly understand the characteristics of high-quality work, and there is evidence that students have helped establish the evaluation criteria.  2. The teacher is constantly "taking the pulse" of the class; monitoring of student understanding is sophisticated and continuous and makes use of strategies to elicit information about individual student understanding.  3. Students monitor their own understanding, either on their own understanding, either on their own initiative or as a result of tasks set by the teacher.  4. High-quality feedback comes from many sources, including students; it is specific and focused on improvement.	
03/16/2017 12:09 pm: There is an assignment on ebackpack for one member of the group to submit.					

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3d: N/A			
Component	Insufficient Evidence		
N/A			

**Rubric Score: 3/4** 

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3d: Critical Attributes

- Effective The teacher makes the standards of high-quality work clear to students.
- Effective The teacher elicits evidence of student understanding.
- Effective Students are invited to assess their own work and make improvements; most of them do so.
- Effective Feedback includes specific and timely guidance, at least for groups of students.

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3e:				
Component	Ineffective	Developing	Effective	Highly Effective
3e: Demonstrating	The teacher ignores students'	The teacher accepts	The teacher successfully	The teacher seizes an
Flexibility and Responsiveness	questions; when students have difficulty learning, the teacher	responsibility for the success of all students but has only a	accommodates students' questions and interests. Drawing	opportunity to enhance learning, building on a spontaneous event
Responsiveness	blames them or their home	limited repertoire of strategies	on a broad repertoire of	or students' interests, or
Indicators:	environment for their lack of	to use. Adjustment of the lesson	strategies, the teacher persists	successfully adjusts and
1. Incorporation of students'	success. The teacher makes no	in response to assessment is	in seeking approaches for	differentiates instruction to

interests and daily events into a lesson 2. The teacher adjusting instruction in response to evidence of student understanding (or lack of it) 3. The teacher seizing on a teachable moment.

attempt to adjust the lesson even when students don't understand the content.

### **Critical Attributes:**

- 1. The teacher ignores indications of student boredom or lack of understanding. 2. The teacher brushes aside students' questions.
- 3. The teacher conveys to students that when they have difficulty learning, it is their fault.
- 4. In reflecting on practice, the teacher does not indicate that it is important to reach all students.
- 5. The teacher makes no attempt to adjust the lesson in response to student confusion.

minimal or ineffective.

### **Critical Attributes:**

- 1. The teacher makes perfunctory attempts to incorporate students' questions and interests into the lesson.
- 2. The teacher conveys to students a level of responsibility for their learning but also his uncertainty about how to assist them.
- 3. In reflecting on practice, the teacher indicates the desire to reach all students but does not suggest strategies for doing so. 4. The teacher's attempts to adjust the lesson are partially successful.

students who have difficulty learning. If impromptu measures are needed, the teacher makes a minor adjustment to the lesson and does so smoothly.

### **Critical Attributes:**

1. The teacher incorporates students' interests and questions into the heart of the lesson. 2. The teacher conveys to students that s/he has other

approaches to try when the students experience difficulty. 3. In reflecting on practice, the teacher cites multiple approaches undertaken to reach students having difficulty.

4. When improvising becomes necessary, the teacher makes adjustments to the lesson.

address individual student misunderstandings. Using an extensive repertoire of instructional strategies and soliciting additional resources from the school or community, the teacher persists in seeking effective approaches for students who need help.

### **Critical Attributes:**

1. The teacher seizes on a teachable moment to enhance a lesson.

2. The teacher conveys to students that she won't consider a lesson "finished" until every student understands and that she has a broad range of approaches to use. 3. In reflecting on practice, the

teacher can cite others in the school and beyond whom he has contacted for assistance in reaching some students. 4. The teacher's adjustments to

the lesson, when they are needed, are designed to assist individual students.

**Rubric Score: 0/0** 

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3e: N/A **Insufficient Evidence** Component N/A

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 3e: Critical Attributes

# **Domain 4: Professional Responsibilities**

Fft 2013 - HEDI - 4a:					
Component	Ineffective	Developing	Effective	Highly Effective	
4a: Reflecting on Teaching Indicators: 1. Accurate reflections on a lesson 2. Citation of adjustments to practice that draw on a repertoire of strategies.	The teacher does not know whether a lesson was effective or achieved its instructional outcomes, or the teacher profoundly misjudges the success of a lesson. The teacher has no suggestions for how a lesson could be improved.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher considers the lesson but draws incorrect conclusions about its effectiveness.  2. The teacher makes no suggestions for improvement.	The teacher has a generally accurate impression of a lesson's effectiveness and the extent to which instructional outcomes were met. The teacher makes general suggestions about how a lesson could be improved.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher has a general sense of whether or not instructional practices were effective.  2. The teacher offers general modifications for future instruction.	The teacher makes an accurate assessment of a lesson's effectiveness and the extent to which it achieved its instructional outcomes and can cite general references to support the judgment. The teacher makes a few specific suggestions of what could be tried another time the lesson is taught.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher accurately assesses the effectiveness of instructional activities used.  2. The teacher identifies specific ways in which a lesson might be improved.	The teacher makes a thoughtful and accurate assessment of a lesson's effectiveness and the extent to which it achieved its instructional outcomes, citing many specific examples from the lesson and weighing the relative strengths of each. Drawing on an extensive repertoire of skills, the teacher offers specific alternative actions, complete with the probable success of different courses of action.  Critical Attributes:  1. The teacher's assessment of the lesson is thoughtful and includes specific indicators of effectiveness.  2. The teacher's suggestions for improvement draw on an extensive repertoire.	
Rubric Score: 4/4					

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 4a: N/A Component **Insufficient Evidence** N/A

### Fft 2013 - HEDI - 4a: Critical Attributes

· Highly Effective - The teacher's assessment of the lesson is thoughtful and includes specific indicators of effectiveness.

### Areas of Strength:

Ms. DiFede has created a student centered environment where she is able to act as a facilitator of learning and provides students with the opportunity to progress at their own pace. In this lesson, the students used the "Elephant Carpaccio Exercise;" a great way for software people, and in this case, her students to practice & learn how to break stories into really thin vertical slices. This not only led to interesting group conversation, but also helped the students realize that they need to break programs down into small pieces in order for them to increase their probability of working correctly. The exercise was extremely well implemented and useful.

Keep up the fine work.

### Recommendations:

Ms. DiFede should continue to look for ways to keep all students engaged in the lessons and productive during class time. Using goal sheets and checklists for both individual and group expectations with timelines will help to not only give students the big picture (product/goal), but also help students with time management, a skill that is frequently underdeveloped. I look forward to seeing completed products such as the app that the four students have been developing.