EVALUATION/SUPERVISION

Note: AS 14.20.149 requires school districts to have a certificated employee evaluation system. The School Board is required to consider information from students, parents, community members, classroom teachers, affected collective bargaining units, and administrators in the design and periodic review of the system. The evaluation must be based on observation of the employee in the employee's work place. In addition, the law mandates a number of requirements for the system including the establishment of district performance standards, a minimum number of evaluations each year, the preparation and implementation of a plan of improvement, and opportunity for students, parents, community members, teachers, and administrators to provide information on the performance of the person being evaluated.

Department of Education and Early Development regulations require a district's certificated employee evaluation system to evaluate a teacher or administrator's performance on applicable professional content standards as exemplary, proficient, basic, or unsatisfactory. In addition, overall performance must be evaluated with these same four ratings. No later than the 2015-16 school year, a teacher or administrator's performance evaluation for student learning data standards shall include an evaluation of actual student learning data. The Educator Evaluation regulations are found at 4 AAC 09.010-19.099.

The School Board believes that evaluations can provide important information relevant to employment decisions, can help staff improve their professional skills, can improve the effectiveness of instruction and raise student achievement levels. In accordance with the district's certificated employee evaluation system, the Superintendent or designee shall evaluate non-tenured certificated personnel at least twice a year; and tenured certificated personnel and special service providers at least once every two years. Administrators shall be evaluated annually.

The evaluation system shall evaluate whether the certificated employee is exemplary, proficient, basic, or unsatisfactory on applicable content standards and in overall performance. The district's certificated employee evaluation system will incorporate those procedures and mandates required by law.

The district shall provide annual in-service training to all certificated employees subject to the evaluation system. The training will assure inter-rater reliability and address the evaluation procedures, the standards used by the district in evaluating performance, and other information that may be helpful to a thorough understanding of the evaluation system.

A certificated employee has a right to timely comment on the evaluation and may not be retaliated against for doing so.

The certificated employee evaluation system will be reviewed at least every three years. The district will consider input from students, parents, community members, classroom teachers, affected collective bargaining units, and administrators. The district will make a copy of the evaluation instrument available to the public, including posting on the district's website. The posting will explain how the district has considered the input of these groups in the design of the evaluation system.

(cf. 4116 - Probationary/Permanent Status)

(cf. 4117.4 - Dismissal)

(cf. 4117.6 – Non-retention)

(cf. 4315.1 - Competence in Evaluation of Teachers)

Legal Reference:

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14.20.149 Employee Evaluation 23.40.070 Declaration of policy (PERA)

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4 AAC 19.010-4 AAC 19.099 Evaluation of professional employees 4 AAC 04.200 Professional content and performance standards 4 AAC 04.205 District performance standards

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