



Guidance for Elevate NM – Spring Semester 2021

Elevate NM – Guidance for the remainder of the year and completing components of the system:

In response to questions we are receiving regarding Elevate NM, we are offering the following guidance:

- Please remember that there will be NO Teacher Summative Report generated by the PED.
- If your district or Charter School decides to continue completing elements for Elevate NM, then please note that original Due Dates to enter all data into Frontline have been extended until May 28th.

Here is more Guidance on the specific domains:

Domain 1 : Artifact examples: teacher's lesson plans, PLC planning, Co-teaching plans, etc.

Domain 2 & 3: Here are the options for conducting an observation in hybrid/blended, virtual, or face-to-face instruction:

As schools are reopening in a hybrid mode, many administrators are wondering how they can continue to provide ongoing feedback and support to their teachers and conduct the teacher observation while still adhering to the COVID safe practices and protocols that the school has put in place to keep everyone safe. Here are several options that we believe are feasible and practical given the current situation:

Option 1: Traditional Observation Face-to- Face Instruction

Principal or observing administrator can enter a face-to-face lesson in the classroom and observe it. Please observe an entire lesson.

We strongly encourage that student work samples be shared by the teacher during the post observation conference.

Option 2: Virtual Observation in Synchronous Instruction

Principal or observing administrator "joins" the classroom virtually through whatever platform the school has been using to provide distance learning.

We strongly encourage that student work samples be shared by the teacher during the post observation conference.

Option 3: Observing a Recorded Lesson whether in person or virtual instruction

The teacher records a lesson to submit for the principal to score as their observation.

Again, we strongly encourage that student work samples be shared by the teacher during their post observation conference.

If your district or school is continuing with observations, please remember this is a "test drive" year and all are held harmless, please note that if the principal or observer does not observe a specific element from Domain 2 or 3, then do not score that element and put in the *evidence box: not observed*.

Domain 4: Artifact examples: Parent Communication Log, Meeting Log, PLC Discussion topics, Professional Learning attended, Presentations, work toward National Boards, Leadership Opportunities

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