

**Dorchester County Public Schools
Teacher Observation Form**

Name:	School: South Dorchester School		Date:		
Subject:	Grade: 7	Tenure Status: Tenured	Certification: APC		
Time:	Unannounced	Number of Students:			

Overall Rating Satisfactory

Satisfactory	Marginal	Unsatisfactory
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Instructional Planning
Satisfactory Rating

• Lesson plan available for observer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Plan includes components of an effective lesson (i.e. objectives, teacher activities, student activities, opportunities for differentiation, summary, assessment)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Learning objectives are clear and in alignment with goals and content of essential curriculum	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Learning objectives are appropriate to the level of the learner and based on student performance data	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NOTE: One or more unsatisfactory ratings in this category will result in an unsatisfactory rating for the entire category.			
Comments: See attached.			

Instructional Delivery
Satisfactory Rating

• Implements instructional plan with adjustments as appropriate	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Communicates lesson objective(s) to students clearly	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Gives appropriate directions and explanations	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Uses instructional time effectively	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Makes appropriate connections to prior learning/knowledge	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Incorporates appropriate levels of questioning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Uses a variety of teaching strategies to respond to learner needs	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Demonstrates accurate knowledge of subject matter	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Comments: See attached.			

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Teacher – Learner Interaction
Satisfactory Rating

• Engages students in instruction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Balances instructional delivery to maximize student learning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Evaluates learner attainment of the lesson outcomes and provides feedback in a timely manner	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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Learning Environment
Satisfactory Rating

• Maintains established rules and/or routines	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Uses space, equipment and materials to support instruction	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Promotes positive attitudes and perceptions about learning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
• Involves students actively in the lesson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
NOTE: Two or more unsatisfactory ratings in this category will result in an unsatisfactory rating for the entire category.			
Comments: See attached.			
Commendations/ Recommendations: See attached.			
Evaluator	Date		
Teacher	Date		
The teacher's signature above indicates that he/she has read and received feedback on the observation but does not necessarily indicate agreement with the contents of this observation form.			

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Continuation of Instructional Planning comments:	
Continuation of Instructional Delivery comments:	
Continuation of Teacher-Learner Interaction comments:	
Continuation of Learning Environment comments:	
Continuation of Commendations/Recommendations:	

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