UCAPP 3.0 School Improvement Task (Change Project) Rubric 2020-2022 / CAEP & NELP Alignment

Name: School Improvement Task - Spring Year 2

	Emergent 14 (14.00%)	Developing 16 (16.00%)	Meets Expectations 18 (18.00%)	Advanced 20 (20.00%)
Leadership to Support Teaching & Learning (20%) CAEP RA 1.1 - Content & Pedagogical Knowledge · data analysis for supportive environment NELP 1.2, 6.2, 7.2	 Minimal connection to improving teaching practices or student learning outcomes; Could have been completed without accessing school data or collecting relevant evidence, or ever visiting the school. 	 Vague connection between the issue/problem and the instructional core; Limited data sources used in identifying problem of practice (PoP); Weak, less articulated plan to address school-level improvement need and use of resources; Insufficient connection to school initiatives in place to address teaching and learning needs: Unclear/disjointed plan to address and make a difference for student learning. 	 Clear connection between issue addressed by improvement initiative and how it matters to each element of the instructional core; Reliable data and evidence used in identifying the problem of practice that is the focus of improvement and need for change; Organized improvement plan outlined, based on effective collection, access, and analyzing of data and evidence so that resources are equitably used to address school, teacher, and student needs; Action steps align to current or planned curriculum, instruction, and/or improving student support initiatives. 	 Solidly addresses the instructional core and recommendations are clear around school-level improvements to the three elements: teacher / student / content; Utilizes and analyzes multiple forms/sources of qualitative and quantitative data to determine need and action steps in addressing the problem of practice; Clear advocacy for a data-informed and equitable resource plan to support school-level improvement and overall student learning; Strategically builds on identified C/I/A strengths and align to school and district teaching and learning initiatives or priorities; Action steps with specific targets are in place for a strategic monitoring system for ongoing, sustainable improvement.

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Leadership to Support School Culture & Capacity (20%) CAEP RA 1.1 - Content & Pedagogical Knowledge · leads collaborative activities NELP 5.2, 7.2	Little or no connection to school culture or capacity.	 Little involvement of educator / stakeholders in the data collection / analysis and decision-making processes or purpose for change; Weak rationale and/or root cause analysis for identified problem of practice to define improvement initiative; No apparent alignment between plan for improvement and problem of practice; Insufficient evidence of goals to address a school-level improvement change. 	 Collaboratively includes stakeholders, including families as partners during the design, implementation, and evaluation process in determining purpose, plan, and action steps to the school-level improvement initiative; Coherent improvement initiative aims to change work processes and/or norms (beliefs, expectations, etc) to address problem of practice & root causes; Employs inquiry-based continuous improvement approach for all stakeholders; Includes stakeholder feedback and participation in the improvement work; Promotes shared leadership in creating goals to address ongoing needed school-wide improvement changes. 	 Actively engages all stakeholders in soliciting information to acquire evidence-based knowledge and understanding about factors contributing to identified student achievement and/or well-being issues to drive a strategic school-level improvement, change initiative; Systematic process is articulated for changing work processes and normative expectations; Planned actions support improvement and capacity building for individuals, teams, and/or whole school; Communication with stakeholders provides the rationale, knowledge, and understanding for ongoing change and cultural improvement; Coordinated data monitoring supports ongoing identification of successes and adjustment opportunities.

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Equity (20%) CAEP RA 1.1 - Content & Pedagogical Knowledge • application of dispositions /ethics NELP 6.2	Does not provide feedback and/or recommendations to support improvement of achievement, participation, service, and/or support outcomes.	Limited attention or action to promote outcomes aimed to improve equity outcomes in achievement, participation, service, and/or support.	 Clear definition of how the problem of practice addresses equity considerations; Well articulated plan of action promotes improvement outcomes in the areas of achievement, participation, service, and/or support. 	 Coherence exists between the issue, problem of practice, and action for long-term change in work processes, policies, and systems that contribute to inequities; Professional learning supports ongoing development of competencies, skills, and attitudes to provide an equitable and inclusive classroom environment and school culture.

	Emergent 10.5 (10.50%)	Developing 12 (12.00%)	Meets Expectations 13.5 (13.50%)	Advanced 15 (15.00%)
Inquiry Cycle (15%) CAEP RA 1.1 - Content & Pedagogical Knowledge · application of data literacy NELP 1.2, 6.2	 Omission of essential steps; Followed guidance without thoughtful implementation; Minimal steps taken to lead change and improvement practices. 	 Insufficient evidence gathered and reviewed to act upon and guide change; Limited description of process and judgment for defining problem of practice and determining improvement initiative; Vague strategy or coherent implementation plan, impacting completion of the change initiative and/or next steps necessary to address areas of improvement. 	 Implements cycle of inquiry to deepen understanding of school strengths and areas needed for improvement; Provides a clear description of process and judgment (PDSA) for identifying problem of practice and determining improvement initiative; Provides a logical implementation plan and sustainability plan with support systems with a plan to analyze impact to school environment and student learning; Reflection supports leadership learning around leading change with support to others to adapt their behaviors, processes or routines. 	 Compelling evidence that collaborative inquiry was pivotal in facilitating change with improvement focus; Well-defined and clearly articulated process for sustained improvement work; Engagement of stakeholder/constituent groups promotes understanding and ownership of the improvement work.

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Personal Leadership (15%)	Minimal self-awareness of leadership skills and dispositions needed to successfully complete this task.	 Limited intentionality of knowledge & skill application; No apparent connection to apply/test ToA or focus on LDP goal(s); "Lone Ranger" project management (example: I did). 	 Facilitative project management which supports others in the work of improvement; Tested espoused theory of action (ToA), identifying revisions/edits from learning; Uses the task to focus on LDP goals; Reflection supports leadership learning. 	 Evidence supports intern adapted leadership approach and/or action to match needs of the situation or the group; Articulates verification and/or adjustment to ToA and/or progress on LDP goal(s) based on implementation and leadership learning; Reflection provides in-depth examples and application of leadership learning with priorities defined for continued growth.
	Emergent 7 (7.00%)	Developing 8 (8.00%)	Meets Expectations 9 (9.00%)	Advanced 10 (10.00%)
Language Mechanics & Expression (10%)	Organization or expression is unclear and does not meet standard expected of a school or district leader.	Organization or expression limits the readability or clarity of the ideas related to the improvement cycle and does not meet standard expected of a school or district leader.	 Organization and expression effectively communicates a school-level plan of improvement that meets standard for a school or district-level leader; Effectively describes the process, outcomes, and lessons learned. 	 Organization and expression persuasively articulates process, outcomes, and lessons learned related to the improvement initiative; Language and format fit the target audience.