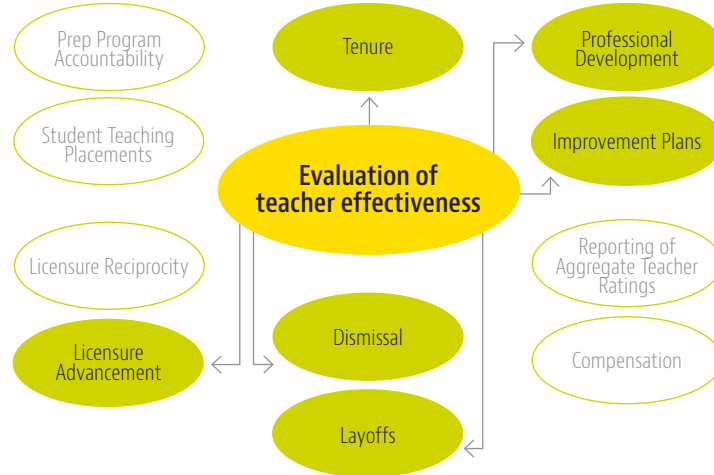




Is **Rhode Island** using evaluations of teacher effectiveness to inform policy and practice?



POLICY AREA	Is state connecting this policy area to teacher evaluation/ effectiveness?	Recommendation for State Action
Tenure	Yes	
Professional Development	Yes	
Improvement Plans	Yes	
Public Reporting of Aggregate Teacher Ratings	No	Make aggregate school-level data about teacher performance publicly available to shine a light on how equitably teachers are distributed across and within school districts.
Compensation	No	Develop compensation structures that recognize teachers for their effectiveness.
Dismissal	Yes	
Layoffs	Yes	
Licensure Advancement	Yes	
Licensure Reciprocity	No	Make evidence of teacher effectiveness the basis for granting licenses to out-of-state candidates, especially for those who come from states that make student growth a significant factor in evaluations.
Student Teaching Placements	No	Place student teachers with cooperating teachers with evidence that they are effective in terms of student learning.
Prep Program Accountability	No	Include data that connect student achievement gains to teacher preparation programs in the state's accountability system.