

Pilot Classroom Observation Process for Classroom Teachers

Step 1 Setting Up An Observation Cycle	Step 2 Planning Conference (Pre-Observation)	Step 3 Conducting an Observation	Step 4 Reflecting Conference (Post-Observation)	Step 5 Concluding the Observation Cycle
 Your Principal/Vice-Principal will schedule an observation cycle with you. Your Principal/Vice-Principal will provide you with the Interview Protocol for Planning Conference in advance to help you prepare for the Planning conference. It will include: A planning conference (20-30 minutes) An observation (15-30 minutes) A reflecting conference (20-30 minutes) 	 During the Planning conference, you want to do the following: Review the components of the Hawaii's Pilot Classroom Observation Rubric Version 1.0 with your Principal. Ask questions as it relates to your lesson plan and Hawaii's Pilot Classroom Observation Rubric Version 1.0. Ask guiding questions from Interview Protocol for Planning Conference as applicable. Share with your Principal/Vice-Principal your goals for the lesson you plan to teach on the day of your observation. (You may refer to your Pacing Guide, Lesson plan, as well as student characteristics or any other information that would assist your Principal or Vice-Principal in understanding what you will be teaching on the day of your observation.) If there have been previous observations, review past discussions and connections to this new observation. Share the objectives and activities of your lesson and any data you may want your Principal/Vice-Principal to collect (e.g. "My students are going to reduce fractions into lowest terms. I know that the boys in my class really like fractions, but can you track how many times I call on the boys compared to the girls in my class? I want to see if I am giving each group a fair shot at answering questions throughout the lesson."). 	1. Carry out the lesson you discussed in your Planning Conference (your Principal/Vice-Principal will be recording evidence of the practices discussed during the Planning Conference and share their observation notes with you prior to and during the post-observation conference). Anticipate that during the classroom visit your Principal/Vice-Principal will be collecting evidence of teaching & learning practices that demonstrate levels of performance identified on Hawaii's Pilot Classroom Observation Rubric Version 1.0. 2. Following the classroom visit, your Principal/Vice-Principal will email you their observations. Review his/her feedback and self-assess what occurred in relation to the planned practices and those identified on the Hawaii's Pilot Classroom Observation Rubric Version 1.0. 3. You may prepare for the Post-Observation conference by selecting and sharing samples of student work as evidence of learning during your Reflecting Conference. 4. Your Principal/Vice-Principal will schedule a Reflecting (post-observation) conference with you shortly.	 During your Reflecting Conference, reflect back on your practices discussed during the Planning Conference and those demonstrated during the observation, based on the documentation provided by your Principal/Vice-Principal. During your post-observation conference: Summarize your recollection of the lesson mention things you thought went well in the lesson and things you would have done differently. Discuss any data that the Principal/Vice-Principal captured during the observation. Discuss the lesson & clarify evidence collected for each Component. Reflect on the level of performance based on evidence collected and alignment to the Components on Hawaii's Pilot Classroom Observation Rubric Version 1.0. After discussing the evidence, your Principal/Vice-Principal will assign a rating for each COMPONENT that was observed during the observation. (NOTE: This is just a starting point, and reflects just one snapshot of your practice on that day. What is more important is the discussion with your Principal/Vice-Principal on how to work together to improve your practice to the next level on the rubric.) With your principal, prioritize the areas that you would like to work on for the rest of the school year or for a future visit. You or your Principal/Vice-Principal may use resources available to you including the Educational Impact on-line videos, PD360, and other supports to improve your practice. Using the Teacher Observation Summary form, summarize in a few sentences the Reflection Conference. Your completed form will be attached to the Completed electronic Template that your Principal/Vice-Principal will complete after your Reflection Conference. 	1. Your Principal/Vice-Principal will provide a completed copy of the Template to you via email. Your Teacher Observation Summary form will become part of the Observation record. Thank you for participating in the pilot observation! Your feedback and suggestions are needed to help us continually improve this process. Please complete Teacher Feedback Form on Process for Classroom Observations with Pre & Post Conferences and fax to: (808) 586-3419 or email to: OHR Teacher Eval@notes.k12.hi.us