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Core Teaching Standards (adopted 12/2011)

School districts shall use the core teaching standards to evaluate teacher effectiveness outlined in OAR 581-022-1723. Performances, essential knowledge and critical dispositions for each standard are contained within the Interstate Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (InTASC) core teaching standards published at:

http://www.ccsso.org/Documents/2011/InTASC Stds MS Word version 4 24 11.doc. The core teaching standards are the same standards adopted by the Teacher Standards and Practices Commission (TSPC) for initial and advanced teacher preparation. The standards include:

(1) The Learner and Learning

- (a) Learner Development: The teacher understands how learners grow and develop, recognizing that patterns of learning and development vary individually within and across the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical areas, and designs and implements developmentally appropriate and challenging learning experiences. [InTASC Standard #1]
- (b) Learning Differences: The teacher uses understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities to ensure inclusive learning environments that enable each learner to meet high standards. [InTASC Standard #2]
- (c) Learning Environments: The teacher works with others to create environments that support individual and collaborative learning, and that encourage positive social interaction, active engagement in learning, and self motivation. [InTASC Standard #3]

(2) Content

- (a) Content Knowledge: The teacher understands the central concepts, tools of inquiry, and structures of the discipline(s) he or she teaches and creates learning experiences that make these aspects of the discipline accessible and meaningful for learners to assure mastery of the content. [InTASC Standard # 4]
- (b) Application of Content: The teacher understands how to connect concepts and use differing perspectives to engage learners in critical thinking, creativity, and collaborative problem solving related to authentic local and global issues. [InTASC Standard #5]

(3) Instructional Practice

- (a) Assessment: The teacher understands and uses multiple methods of assessment to engage learners in their own growth, to monitor learner progress, and to guide the teacher's and learner's decision making. [InTASC Standard #6]
- (b) Planning for Instruction: The teacher plans instruction that supports every student in meeting rigorous learning goals by drawing upon knowledge of content areas, curriculum, cross-disciplinary skills, and pedagogy, as well as knowledge of learners and the community context. [InTASC Standard #7]
- (c) Instructional Strategies: The teacher understands and uses a variety of instructional strategies to encourage learners to develop deep understanding of content areas and their

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connections, and to build skills to apply knowledge in meaningful ways.[InTASC Standard # 8]

(4) Professional Responsibility

- (a) Professional Learning and Ethical Practice: The teacher engages in ongoing professional learning and uses evidence to continually evaluate his/her practice, particularly the effects of his/her choices and actions on others (learners, families, other professionals, and the community), and adapts practice to meet the needs of each learner. [InTASC Standard #9]
- (b) Leadership and Collaboration: The teacher seeks appropriate leadership roles and opportunities to take responsibility for student learning, to collaborate with learners, families, colleagues, other school professionals, and community members to ensure learner growth, and to advance the profession. [InTASC Standard #10]

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