**LEA/IHE Certification of Teaching Capacity**

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| **Candidate Name:** | Click here to enter text. | **School:** | Click here to enter text. |
| **Cooperating**  **Teacher Name:** | Click here to enter text. | **Grade:** | Click here to enter text. |
| **LEA:** | Click here to enter text. | **IHE:** | **Western Carolina University** |

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| Standards Met: 4 = Accomplished 3 = Proficient | Standards Not Met: 2 = Developing 1 = Emerging |

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| **Standard/Element** | **Proficient Descriptor** | **Rating**  Stand Met Standard Not Met | |
| **Professionalism** | | | |
| 1e. Teachers demonstrate  high ethical standards. | 1e.1 Upholds the *Code of Ethics for North*  *Carolina Educators* and the  *Standards for Professional Conduct*. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
| Comments (optional): Click here to enter text. | | |
| **Classroom Climate/Culture** | | | |
| 1a. Teachers lead in their  classrooms. | 1a.3 Maintains a safe and orderly classroom  that facilitates student learning. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
| Comments (optional): Click here to enter text. | | |
| 1a.4 Uses positive management of student  behavior, including strategies of  conflict resolution and anger  management, effective communication  for defusing and deescalating disruptive  or dangerous behavior, and safe and  appropriate seclusion and restraint. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
| Comments (optional): Click here to enter text. | | |
| 2a. Teachers provide an  environment in which  each child has a positive,  nurturing relationship with  caring adults. | 2a.1 Maintains a positive and nurturing  learning environment. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| 2c. Teachers demonstrate  high ethical standards. | 2c.1 Maintains a learning environment that  conveys high expectations of every  student. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
| Comments (optional): Click here to enter text. | | |
| 4g. Teachers communicate  effectively. | 4g.1 Uses a variety of methods to  communicate effectively with all  students. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
| Comments (optional): Click here to enter text. | | |
| 4g.2 Consistently encourages and supports  students to articulate thoughts and ideas  clearly and effectively. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| **Instruction** | | | |
| 2b. Teachers embrace  diversity in the school  community and in the  world. | 2b.1 Appropriately uses materials or lessons  that counteract stereotypes and  acknowledges the contributions of all  cultures. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| 2b.2 Incorporates different points of view in  instruction. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| 3a. Teachers align their  instruction with the *North*  *Carolina Standard Course*  *of Study*. | 3a.2 Integrates effective literacy instruction  throughout the curriculum and across  content areas to enhance students’  learning. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
| Comments (optional): Click here to enter text. | | |
| 3b. Teachers know the content  appropriate to their  teaching specialty. | 3b.2 Encourages students to investigate the  content area to expand their knowledge  and satisfy their natural curiosity. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| 3d. Teachers make instruction  relevant to students. | 3d.1 Integrates 21st century skills and content  into instruction. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| 4c. Teachers use a variety of  instructional methods. | 4c.1 Uses a variety of appropriate methods  and materials to meet the needs of all  students. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
| Comments (optional): Click here to enter text. | | |
| 4d. Teachers integrate and  utilize technology in their  instruction. | 4d.1 Integrates technology with instruction to  maximize students’ learning. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| 4e. Teachers help students  develop critical-thinking  and problem-solving skills. | 4e.1 Integrates specific instruction that helps  students develop the ability to apply  processes and strategies for critical  thinking and problem solving. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| 4f. Teachers help students to  work in teams and develop  leadership qualities. | 4f.1 Organizes student learning teams for the  purpose of developing cooperation,  collaboration, and student leadership. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| **Evaluation/Assessment** | | | |
| 1a. Teachers lead in their  classrooms. | 1a.1 Evaluates the progress of students  toward high school graduation using a  variety of assessment data measuring  goals of the *North Carolina Standard*  *Course of Study*. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| 4h. Teachers use a variety of  methods to assess what  each student has learned. | 4h.1 Uses multiple indicators, both formative  and summative, to monitor and evaluate  students’ progress and to inform  instruction. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| 4h. Teachers use a variety of  methods to assess what  each student has learned.  (Cont’d) | 4h.2 Provides evidence that students attain  21st century knowledge, skills and  dispositions. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
| Comments (optional): Click here to enter text. | | |
| 5a. Teachers analyze student  learning. | 5a.1 Uses data to provide ideas about what  can be done to improve students’  learning. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| **Impact on Student Learning** | | | |
| 1d. Teachers advocate for  schools and students. | 1d.1 Implements and adheres to policies and  practices positively affecting students’  learning. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| 2d. Teachers adapt their  teaching for the benefit of  students with special  needs. | 2d.1 Cooperates with specialists and uses  resources to support the special needs of  all students. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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|  | 2d.2 Uses research-verified strategies to  provide effective learning activities for  students with special needs. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |
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| **Overall** | | | |
| Overall performance on all North Carolina Professional Teaching Standards. | Provide a rating of overall performance of the candidate considering all NCPTS standards and sub-standards indicated in the above document. The overall performance rating is related to but does not dictate a particular course grade. | 4 3    Accomplished Proficient | 2 1    Developing Emerging |

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**SIGNATURES**

Note: The candidate signature does *not* imply agreement with the ratings. All other signatures verify the accuracy of and agreement with the ratings on each descriptor.

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| **Individual** | **Printed Name** | **Signature** | **Date** |
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| Cooperating Teacher |  |  |  |
| Principal (or designee) |  |  |  |
| Academic Supervisor  (if applicable) |  |  |  |
| University Supervisor |  |  |  |
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