

FOR EVALUATEES



The Role of an Evaluatee

This tutorial will provide an overview of the activities expected of anyone being evaluated (aka "evaluatee") within the eVAL system.

IMPORTANT: In order for an evaluatee to use the eVAL tool effectively, the following must have occurred:

- 1. The evaluatee must have an account and a role assigned to them on the EDS system.
- 2. The District Security Manager must have approved their request for access to eVAL.
- 3. The evaluatee must sign in on EDS and go to the web page for the eVAL tool.
- 4. The School Administrator or District Administrator must have paired each evaluatee with their evaluator.

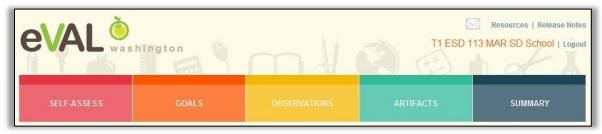
An evaluatee signs in to the eVAL tool using the Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction's Education Data System, or EDS. To access the Education Data System (EDS) web page, open your browser and enter the following URL: https://eds.ospi.k12.wa.us



An evaluatee has three primary responsibilities in eVAL:

- 1. self-assessment and goal-setting;
- 2. interacting with the evaluator in the observation process; and
- 3. uploading artifacts

To carry out these responsibilities, an evaluatee interacts with five menus, shown below:



- **Self-Assess** The teacher completes his or her self-evaluation.
- Goals The teacher responds to the evaluator's goals, and adds/responds to his/ her own.
- Observations The teacher views and tracks the status of his/her observations.
- Artifacts The teacher uploads resources that serve as evidence in his/ her evaluation.
- Summary The teacher views and prints the summative scores of the evaluations and self-assessments.

This handout is divided into five sections, each of which will explore one of the five menus above.





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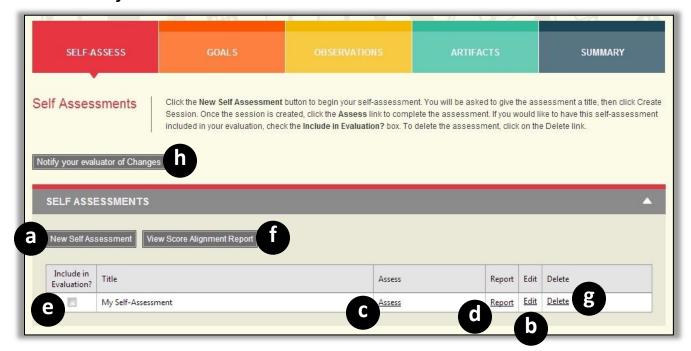


THE FIRST MENU: SELF-ASSESSMENT



When logging into eVAL, the first task an evaluatee will likely complete is a self-assessment, which allows the evaluatee to set a baseline for where they feel they are within the framework or state criteria at the beginning of the year. In eVAL system, self-assessments are available to anyone being evaluated, including teachers, vice principals and principals.

A Look at the Self-Assessment Dashboard



In this window, you can:

- a. Create a new self-assessment
- b. Edit the title of your current self-assessment
- c. Continue to work on a current self-assessment
- d. Download a PDF report of your self-assessment
- e. Include the self-assessment in your evaluation
- See a report that displays scores across all observations and self-assessments
- g. Delete an existing self-assessment
- h. Notify your evaluator of any changes you've made to an existing self-assessment

Getting Started with the Self-Assessment

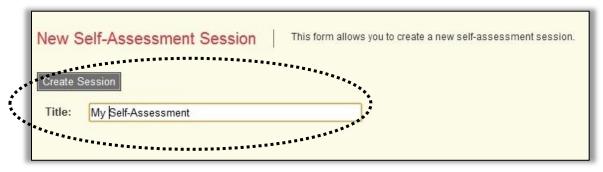
Self-Assess is the first menu tab, which allows a teacher to begin a self-assessment. Click on the **Self-Assess** menu tab to access this portion of eVAL. Notice that the red menu has a small arrow pointing down. That indicates that this menu tab is *active*.



1. To create a new assessment, click on the New Self-Assessment button.



2. A new window will open. Give the session a title and then click on the Create Session button



3. Once you have given your session a title, you will be able to begin your self-assessment. You can use **the state's** eight criteria to self-assess, or **your district's adopted instructional framework**. Whether you are using the state's criteria or your district's adopted framework, you can self-assess at the most general level on the screen, or you can get more details with each criterion by clicking on the triangle on the right side of each gray stripe.

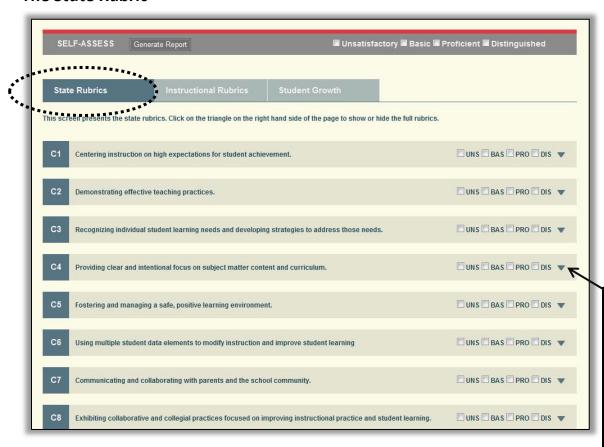
Please note:

Your self-assessment scores in the **State Rubrics** will transfer over to the **Instructional Rubrics** tab, and vice versa. If you make any score changes in the **Instructional Rubrics** tab, you will see the same scores the next time you go to the **State Rubrics** tab.

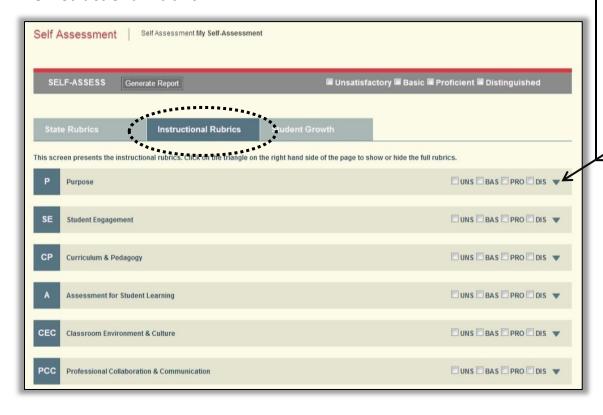
The sections on the following pages illustrate the different screens and steps for using the state's criteria and/or the criteria for one of the instructional frameworks.



The State Rubric

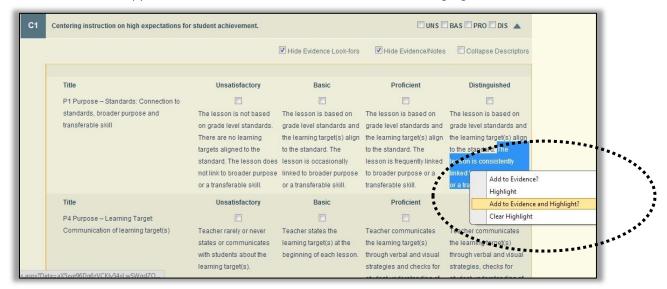


The Instructional Rubric

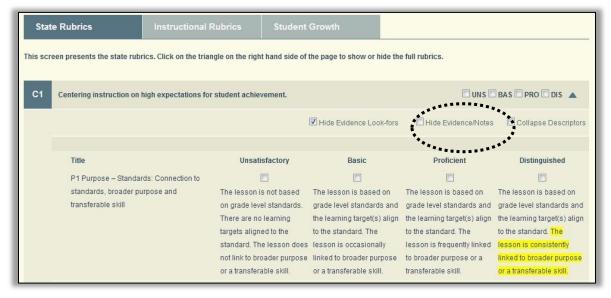


For each type of rubric, you can choose whether you want to score yourself at the **top** criteria level, or give yourself a score for each element of the criteria. To score yourself for each element, you will need to click the small arrow at the right of the gray bar to expand that criterion and to view its elements.

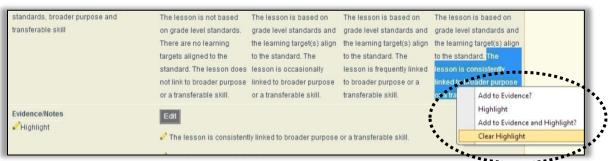
4. When you are self-assessing at the more detailed **element level**, you can highlight text and add it to your evidence. To do this, select the text you wish to highlight. Then right-click the text with your mouse, and select **Add to Evidence and Highlight** from the drop-down menu. This will copy the selected to the **Evidence/Notes** section and will highlight the selected text in the criteria.



5. To see the evidence you've selected, make sure the checkbox titled **Hide Evidence/Notes** is unchecked. When you choose **Add to Evidence** after right-clicking, you won't see that section of the text highlighted in the criteria. However, the text you added to evidence will appear in the section titled **Evidence/Notes**.



6. To remove the text highlighting, simply select the text you wish to un-highlight, right click with your mouse, and click **Clear Highlight.** This will only clear the highlighting, but will not remove the evidence from your notes.

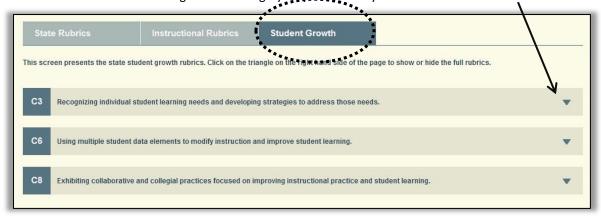


7. If you check the box labeled **Collapse Descriptors**, you can hover your mouse over the question marks by the boxes labeled **Unsatisfactory**, **Basic**, **Proficient**, **and Distinguished**. This will display a window with the description of what your mouse is hovering over. The window will even show any text that you have highlighted. This window will only stay up for around four seconds, so if you wish to read the full description, simply uncheck the box titled **Collapse Descriptors**.

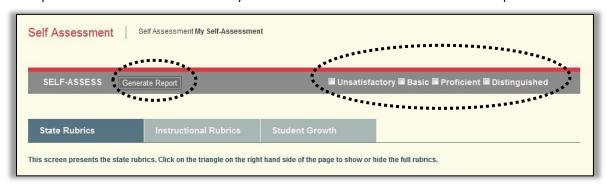


8. The next option you have is to view only the criteria that are involved in student growth. Click on the tab titled **Student Growth**. Just as with the **Instructional Rubrics tab**, the scores you've given in the **State Rubrics tab** will transfer over to **the Student Growth tab**, and vice versa. If you make any score changes in the **Student Growth tab**, you will see the same scores the next time you go to the **State Rubrics tab**.

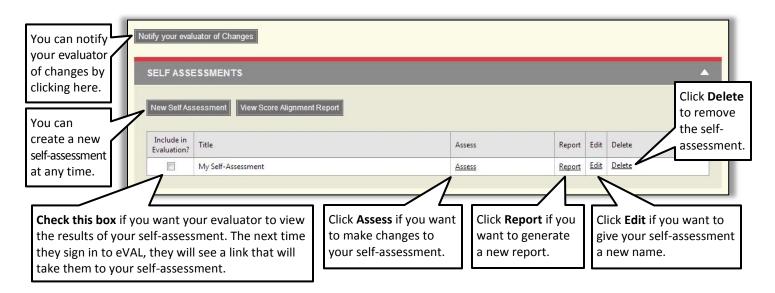
Again, click on the small arrow on the right end of the gray stripe to assess yourself at a more detailed level.



9. At the end of the assessment choose a final score in the gray bar at the top. Click on the **Generate Report** button to create a report which provides a color-coded PDF summary file of the self-assessment that can be saved or printed.



10. After completing the self-assessment, the evaluatee can return to the **Self-Assessment Dashboard** and carry out more tasks.



11. In Step #10 above, you have the option to notify your evaluator of any changes you've made to an existing self-assessment. If you do this, a dialog box will appear in which you can type a message to your evaluator. Once you're done, click the Send Message button.



12. **In step #10 above,** if you mark the box to include your self-assessment as part of your evaluation, the self-assessment will also appear under the gray **Summary** menu at the top of the page. Just scroll down to the **Observations and Self-Assessments** section and click on the little arrow on the right to expand the section.



THE SECOND MENU: GOALS



The second menu from the left is for **Goals**, the section of eVAL that helps to monitor all aspects of the goal-setting process. The goal-setting process is completed by both evaluators and evaluatees within the eVAL system, which includes teachers, vice principals and principals. In this chapter, an evaluatee will learn the steps needed to set and respond to goals in the eVAL system. A teacher's login is used as an example in this handout, but the process is the same for principals and vice principals.



Each school year, you will likely set goals within the eVAL system and respond to prompts created by your evaluator. Your district evaluation process and policy will determine how and when this is process is accomplished. To begin the goal process, click on the **Goals** tab. Four sub-menus will appear, which include **Dashboard, Evaluator-Assigned, Self-Assigned, and Resources.** The sub-menu with a small arrow is the **active** sub-menu.



Sub-Menu: The Goals Dashboard

Your **Goals** dashboard will open with a summary of your goals so far this year. The sub-menus at the top of the screen are for different types of goals as well as artifacts and resources. We will look at each, starting with the **Evaluator-Assigned** goals.



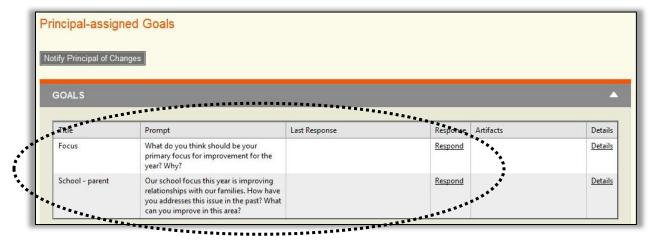
Goal prompts can be assigned by the District or School Administrator roles within the eVAL system as well as by your assigned evaluator. These types of goals appear in the **Evaluator-Assigned** sub-menu.

Sub-Menu: Evaluator-Assigned (Prompts and Goals)

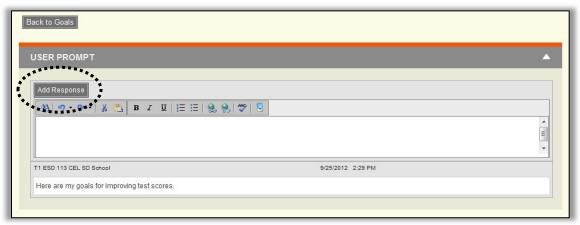
If a District or School Administrator, or your evaluator, has set goals or sent you goal prompts, you will see a number in the column titled **Evaluator-assigned Goals** (displayed in the **Dashboard** sub-menu). Click on that number to view the goal prompt or goal.

1. Viewing and Responding to Goal Prompts:

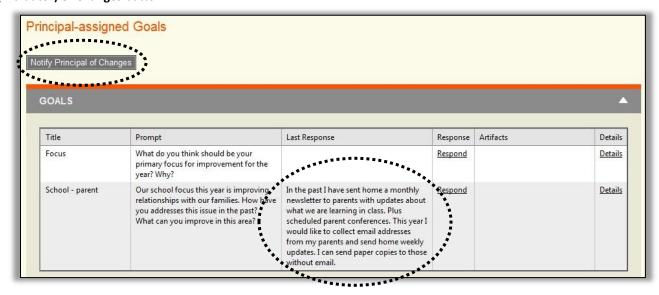
You will see a list of the goal prompts or goals on this page. Click **Respond** for each prompt to type in your answer or response.



 A text box will appear. Type a message to your evaluator, and click on the Add Response button. The next time your evaluator logs into eVAL, s/he will be able to access the response you wrote.



3. Once you enter your response, it will appear in the **Last Response** column. You can add another response to the same prompt at any time, depending on your district policy and procedures. You can also add artifacts. (See Step #8 of this chapter.) If you add responses to a prompt, or upload artifacts, and you wish your evaluator to view the changes, click on the **Notify Principal** (**Evaluator**) of **Changes** button.

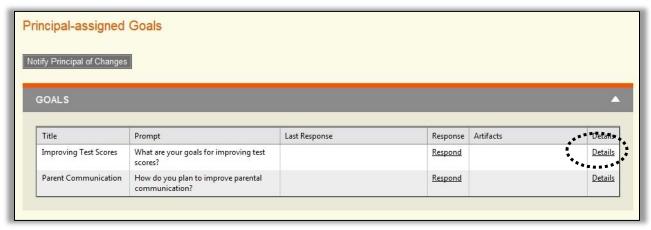


4. In the text box that appears, type a message to your evaluator that lets him/her know that you have made a change of some kind to your goal(s). Then click the **Send Message** button. The next time your evaluator logs into eVAL, they will see they have a message. The message will include the text you wrote in addition to a link that takes him/her directly to your updated item.

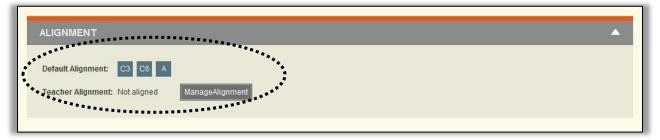


5. Getting Details and Managing Alignment to Criteria:

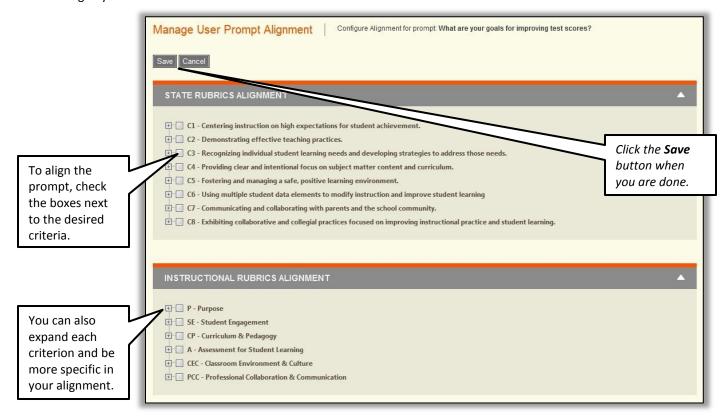
When you are viewing the **Evaluator-Assigned** window, you can also view the details about the prompts and/or goals written by your evaluator, and manage the alignment of your goal(s) to the criteria. To do so, click on the **Details** link on the right.



6. A screen will appear in which you can see the criteria your evaluator has aligned the prompt to. To link to additional criteria, click the **Manage Alignment** button.

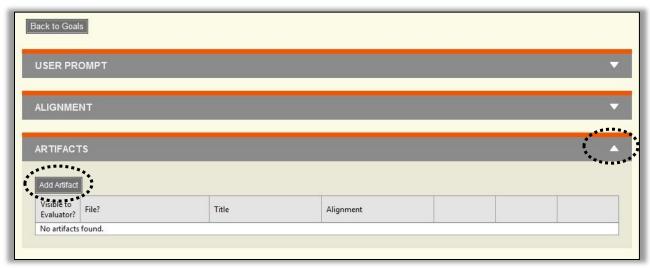


7. You can align by **State Rubrics** or **Instructional** Rubrics.



8. Adding Artifacts for Your Goal(s):

Finally, you can add artifacts to support your response to each prompt. An **artifact** is evidence of a teaching or administrative skill that is not necessarily visible during an observation. To add an artifact, click the small arrow on the right end of the gray **ARTIFACTS** bar, and then click the **Add Artifact** button.



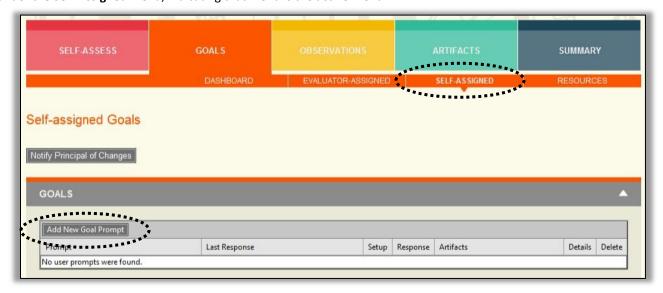
9. In the window that opens, do the following: Next, specify whether the artifact you're uploading is a file or a URL. If you are uploading a file, click the **Select** button and select the file. If you are adding a URL, simply paste the link into the text box.



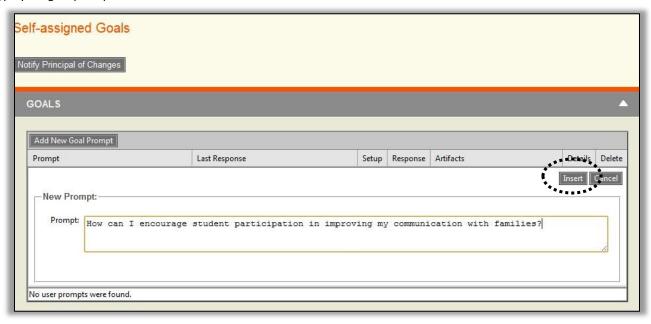
Sub-Menu: Self-Assigned (Prompts and Goals)

The next sub-menu is the **Self-Assigned** sub menu. In this section, teachers, vice principals and principals can write their own goal prompts, respond to them, and add artifacts.

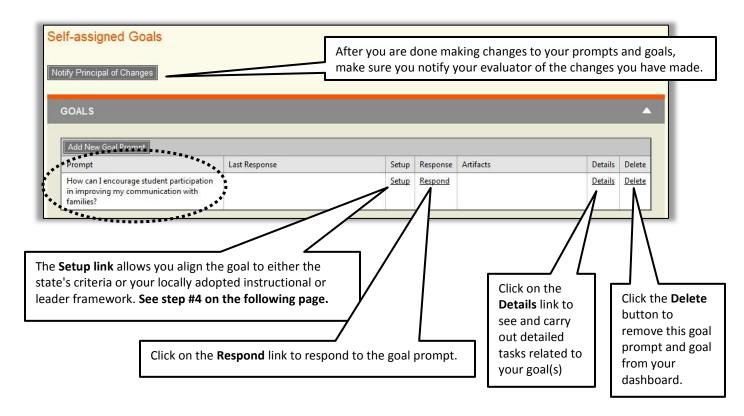
1. To add a goal, click on the **Add New Goal Prompt** button. It may seem a bit awkward, but to write a goal, you need to ask yourself a question (or prompt). Click on the **Self-Assigned** menu tab to access this portion of eVAL. A little arrow will appear under the **Self-Assigned** menu, indicating that menu is the *active* menu.



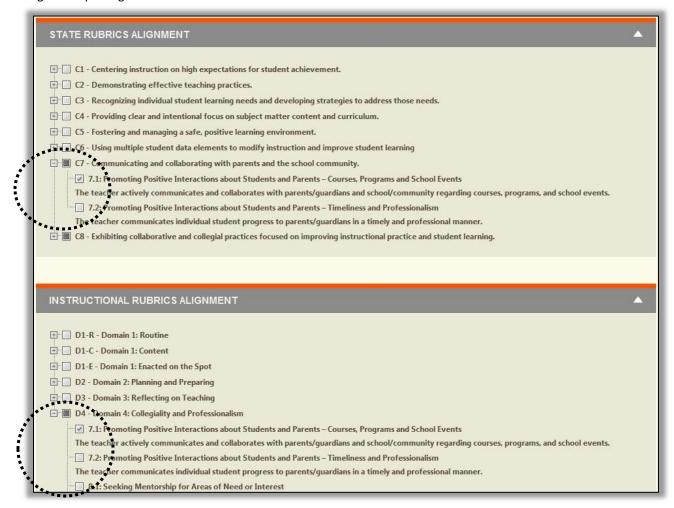
2. Type your goal prompt in the text box and then click on the **Insert** button.



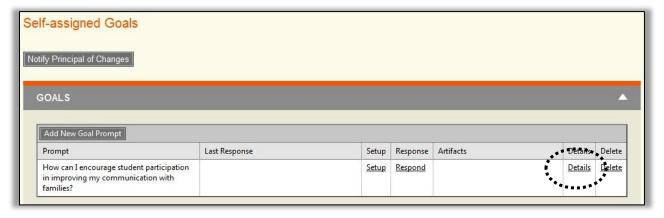
3. The prompt will be added to your list of self-assigned goals. The various links next to the goal allow to you add more information.



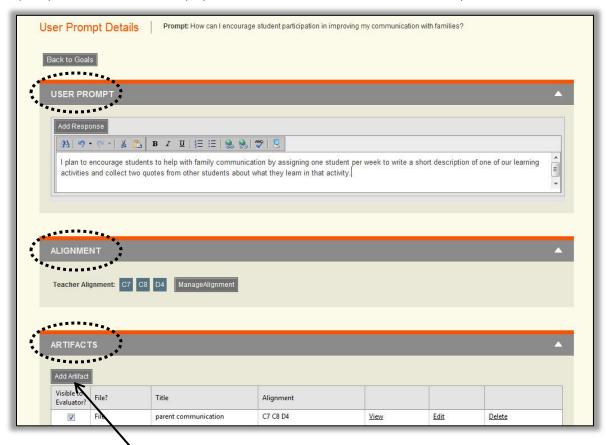
4. After clicking on the **Setup** link in Step #3 above, you can expand each item to get more focused on your goal alignment by clicking on the plus sign on the left to the criteria.



5. After completing the alignment, you can return to the Self-Assigned area and click on Details.



6. The area called **User Prompt Details** allows you to respond to the prompt, see the alignment you just set, and to upload artifacts to support your response to the goal or provide evidence for meeting the goal. While your dashboard will show the last response to a goal prompt, the **Details** section displays all the conversations that have occurred this year.



7. Adding Artifacts for Your Goals:

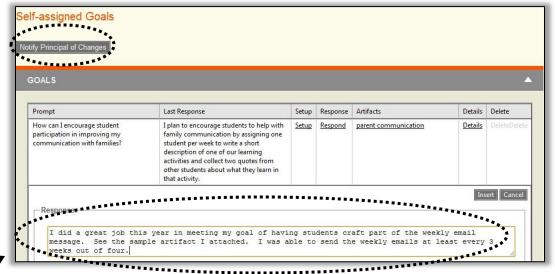
To add an artifact, click **Add Artifact.** You can upload images, files, and video samples here, and attach them to a particular goal as additional evidence. Give the artifact a title and description and then find the file on your computer to add it to the prompt. Evidence or artifacts can also be links to examples of your work located on the Internet.



Click the **Submit** button to confirm and upload the artifact.

8. IMPORTANT!

When you are done providing all of the details about your goal(s), make sure you click on the **Notify Principal (or Evaluator) of Changes.** If a dialog box appears, type in any pertinent information, and send the message. The next time that your evaluator signs in to eVAL, s/he will receive a message that you have sent additional/updated information about your goal(s).

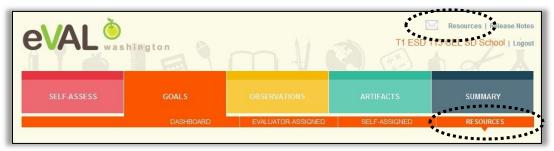


You can also update progress toward your goal at any time during the year according to your district policy or your own preference. The end of the year is a great time to add a response about how you did on meeting your goal.

Sub-Menu: Resources (for Prompts and Goals)

The final submenu for **Goals** is **Resources**. This is where you will find any resources related to goals that have been added by the District or School Administrator within the eVAL system. The resources found here will typically be scaffolds, supports, policy, or templates related to goal-setting. Your school or district will determine how this section is used.

1. To view the resources available to you, you can either click on **Resources** link in the upper right corner by the **Message** icon, or click on the sub-menu titled **Resources**.



2. Click the View link to view the resource. A document will download to your computer. A web page will open in a new window.



THE THIRD MENU: OBSERVATIONS



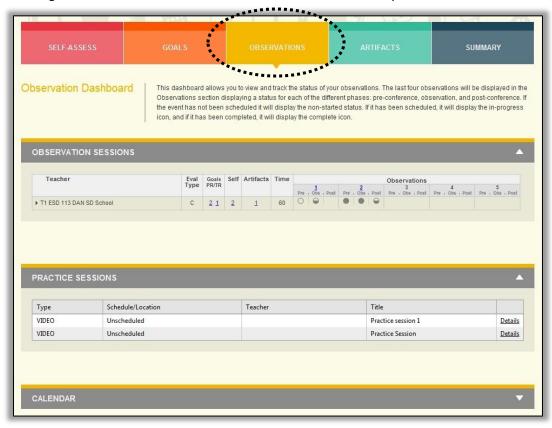
The name of the third menu tab is **Observations**, the section of eVAL that allows you to track all aspects of the observation process, including the pre-observation conference, the observation itself, and the post-observation conference

A Look at the Observations Dashboard

When you click on the **Observations** menu, you will see the **Observation** dashboard. Here you can see evaluation type, number of goals, self-assessments and artifacts, time spent in observations, the status of the observations, and any scheduled practice sessions. You will know the **Observations** menu is active if there is a little arrow that points downward from that menu.

Getting to the Observation Dashboard as a Teacher

Teachers who are signed in to eVAL can click on the **Observation** menu immediately and view their **Observation** dashboard.

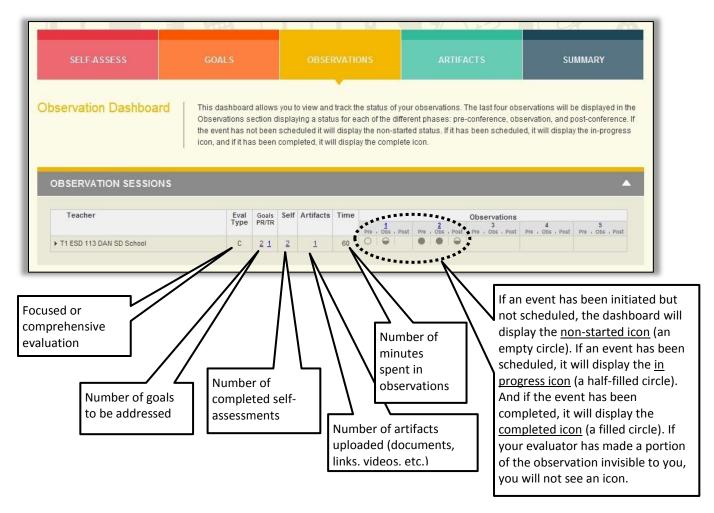


Getting to the Observation Dashboard as a Principal

Principals who are signed in to eVAL will not see their own **Observations** menu (as an evaluatee) until they select **Prepare for My Evaluation** from the drop-down menu in the top right corner of the eVAL web page. After making this selection, the **Observations** dashboard will appear by clicking on the yellow **Observations** menu.



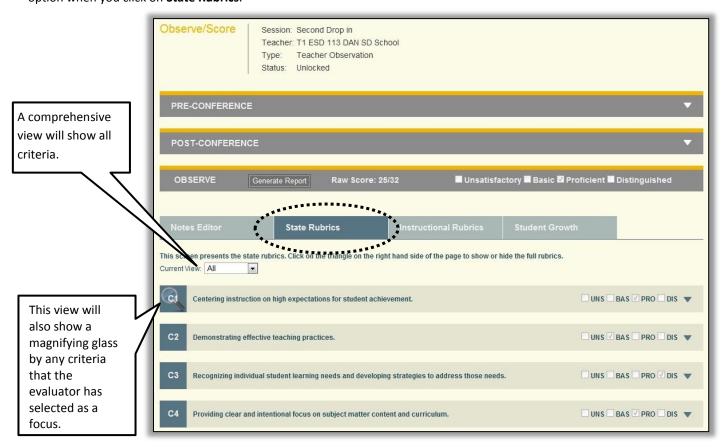
- 1. This **Observations** dashboard allows you to view and track the status of your observations. The five most recent observations will be displayed in the **Observations** section, each displaying a status icon for the three unique observation phases:
 - pre-conference
 - observation
 - post-conference



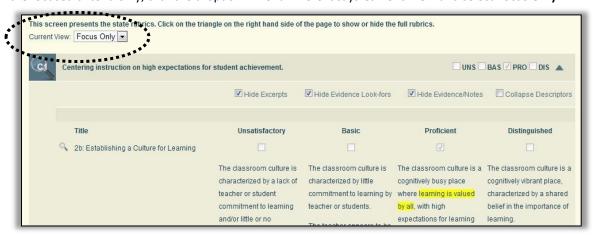
2. To view the progress of an observation, click the icon for the portion of the evaluation you wish to see.



3. From here, you can view each part of the observation made visible to you by your evaluator. You can view the rubrics comprehensively or filtered to the criteria that you and your evaluator would like to focus on within this observation. (You can select your focus criteria by following the instructions in Step #6.) A comprehensive view will show all criteria. This is the default option when you click on **State Rubrics**.



4. To view the focused criteria only, click the dropdown menu where it says Current View and select Focus Only.

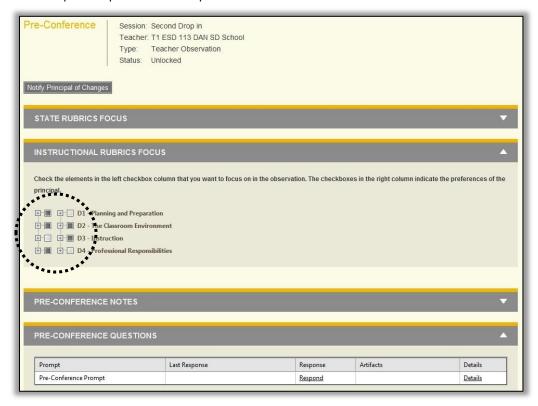


Sub-Menu: Pre-Conference

5. To respond to pre-conference prompts, click on the **Pre-Conference** sub-menu option.

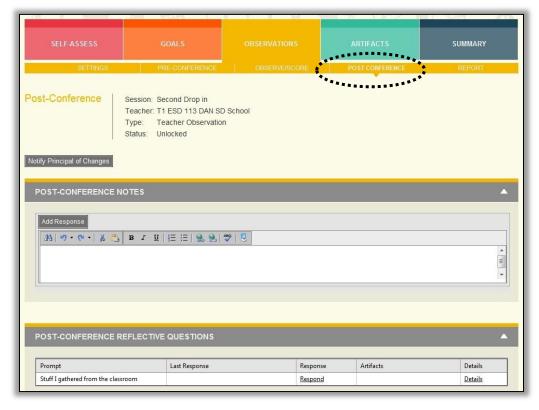


6. In this sub-menu, you can align the prompt to specific criteria. In the left column, check the boxes for your focus criteria. If your evaluator has selected focus criteria, they will automatically appear in the right column. In this sub-menu, you can also type preconference notes or respond to pre-conference questions.



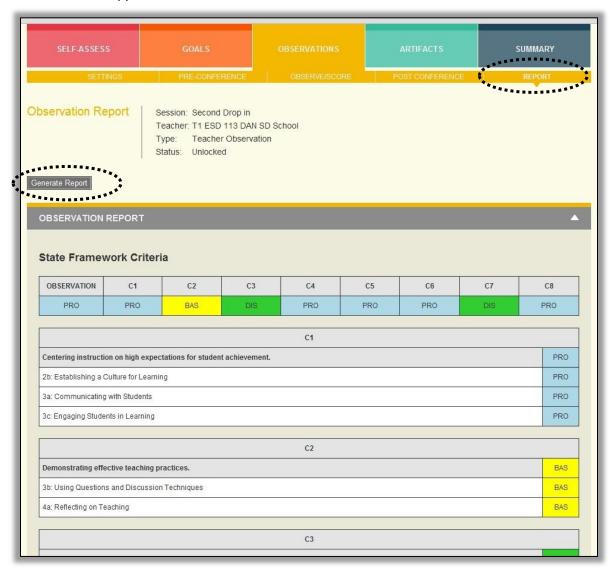
Sub-Menu: Post-Conference

7. Click the **Post-Conference** sub-menu. Here you can add post-conference notes or respond to a post-conference reflective question.



Sub-Menu: Report

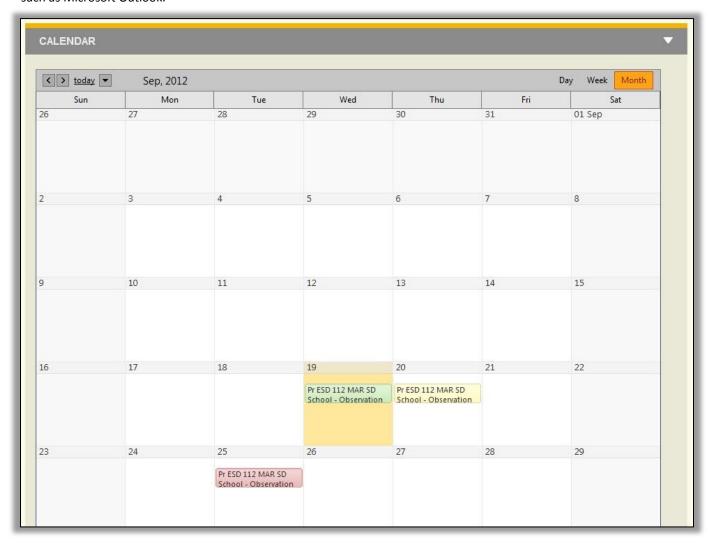
8. You can view an observation report. Click on the **Report** submenu. You can view the report here, or you can click the **Generate Report** button to save a copy.



9. The **Observations** dashboard that is visible to teachers or principals as evaluatees also contains information regarding planned practice sessions. Practice sessions are created by District or School Administrators, and are intended to support teams as they explore and apply selected frameworks. If you are included in any planned practice sessions, you will see details regarding dates, times and locations in this section of the **Observations** dashboard.



10. Finally, the **Observations** dashboard also contains a calendar view of all scheduled events. The calendar can be viewed as a day, week, or month at a glance. While this feature may help summarized planned events, it is important to note that eVAL does not currently export calendar events to external calendar systems, nor does eVAL support integration with desktop calendar clients such as Microsoft Outlook.

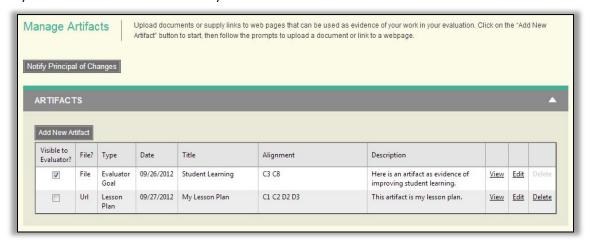




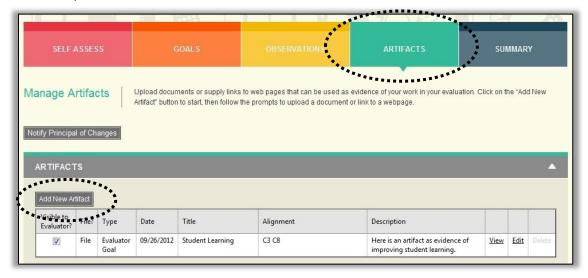
The fourth menu tab is entitled **Artifacts**. An **artifact** is evidence of a teaching or administrative skill that is not necessarily visible during an observation. This section of eVAL allows you to keep track of all of your artifacts. If there is a small arrow pointing downward from the aqua **Artifacts** menu tab, the **Artifacts** menu is active.

A Look at the Artifacts Dashboard

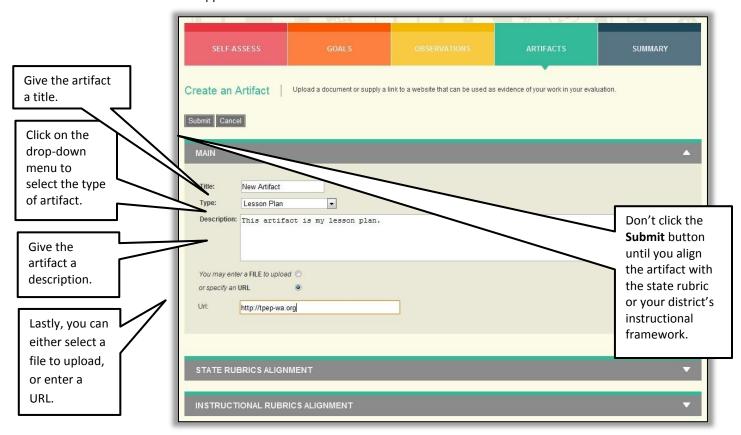
The artifacts dashboard allows you to see the title and description of your artifacts, the criteria with which they are aligned, and whether or not you have marked them as visible to your evaluator. You can also delete the artifact.



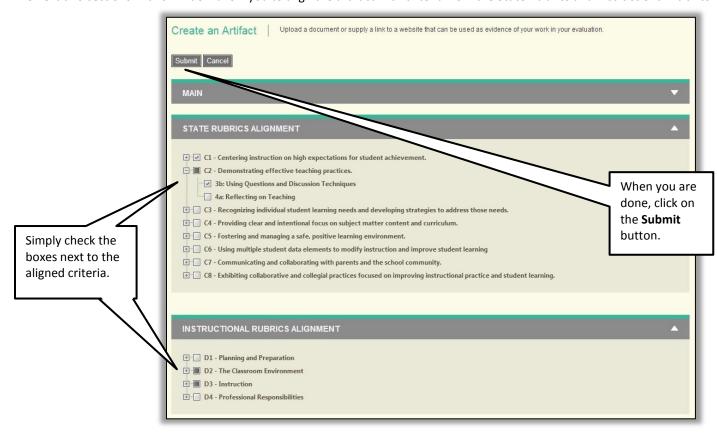
1. To add a new artifact, click the **Add New Artifact** button.



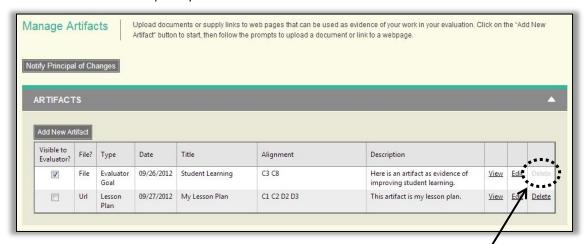
2. A screen like the one below will appear.



3. The next two sections in this window allow you to align the artifact with criteria from the State Rubrics and Instructional Rubrics.



4. After you've submitted your artifact, you will be returned to the **Artifacts** dashboard. Here you can see an updated view of the work you have done to create and upload your artifacts.



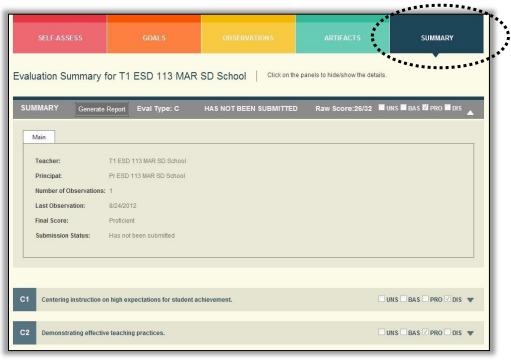
Note that if you have uploaded an artifact in response to your evaluator's goal or prompt, it cannot be deleted via the **Artifacts** menu. Instead, it must be deleted from within the goal or prompt.

THE FIFTH MENU: SUMMARY

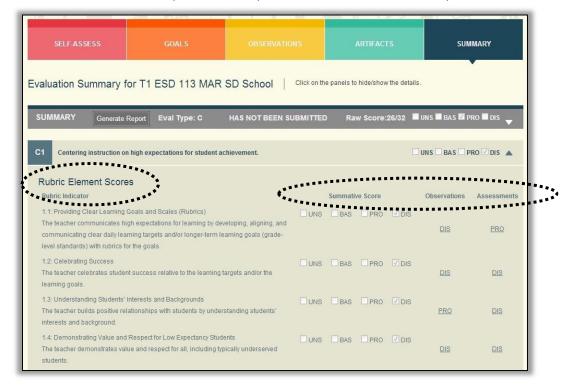


The last menu tab is entitled **Summary**. Here you can track the status of your evaluations. If there is a small arrow pointing downward from the gray **Summary** menu tab, then the **Summary** menu is active.

1. Click on the gray bar entitled **Summary**. Here you can view type of summary, submission status, score, and other information.



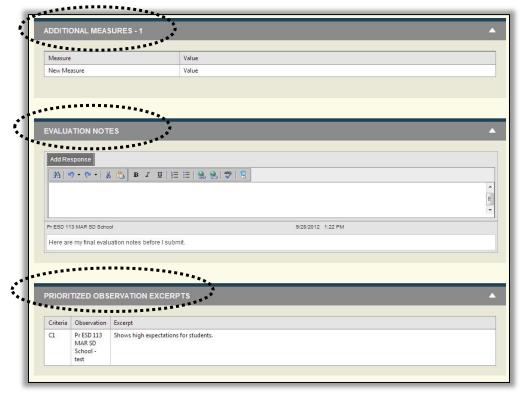
2. In the first part of the summary, you can see the rubric element scores, summative scores, observation score, and your score from your self-assessment. Much of this depends on what your evaluator has made visible to you.



3. In the second part of the summary, you can see evidence and notes, excerpts, and artifacts. Remember that your evaluator may not have made all of this information available to you.

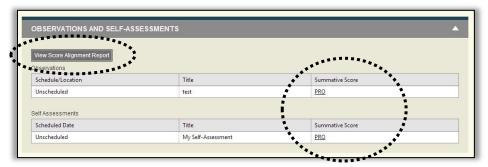


4. The next three sections of the summary are Additional Measures, Evaluation Notes, and Prioritized Observation Extracts.

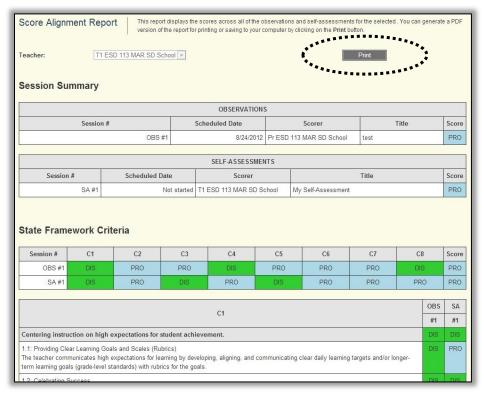


- Additional Measures are only used by districts who have additional criteria for teacher evaluations, such as criteria for instructional coaches or other expanded teacher roles.
- Evaluation Notes give the evaluator and the evaluatee a final chance to add notes about the observation.
- Prioritized Observation
 Extracts are excerpts from
 the rubric that the evaluator
 found especially important in
 the observation.

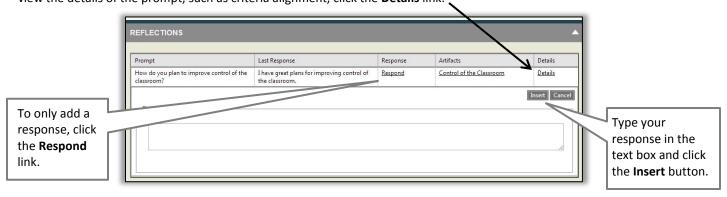
5. The next section of the evaluation summary is **Observations and Self-Assessments**. Here, you have the option of viewing each observation or self-assessment individually, or you can view the scores together. To view the details of an observation, click on the link in the **Summative Score** column. To view the scores together, click the **View Score Alignment Report** button.



6. Here you will have the option of viewing the report online or printing it.



7. The final section, **Reflections**, is your last chance to respond to a reflection prompt. Reflections are intended to be part of the ongoing formative process as well as a chance for end-of-the- year reflection and initial planning for the following year. To view the details of the prompt, such as criteria alignment, click the **Details** link.



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