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<p>3.1 Demonstrating knowledge of subject matter* academic content standards</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p><i>Evidence:</i></p> </div>	<p>Has foundational knowledge of subject matter, related academic language and academic content standards.</p>	<p>Examines concepts in subject matter and academic language, to identify connections between academic content standards and instruction.</p>	<p>Understands and explains the relationship between essential subject matter concepts, academic language, and academic content standards.</p>	<p>Uses broad knowledge of inter-relationships of concepts, academic content standards, and academic language, in ways that ensure clear connections and relevance to students.</p>	<p>Uses extensive knowledge of subject matter concepts, current issues, academic language, and research to make relevant connections to standards during instruction and extend student learning.</p>

*See glossary for a more complete definition of academic language

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<p>3.2 Applying knowledge of student development and proficiencies to ensure student understanding of subject matter</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Evidence:</p> </div>	<p>Has basic knowledge of student stages of development while becoming aware of differences in students' understanding of subject matter.</p> <p>Teaches subject-specific vocabulary following curriculum guidelines.</p>	<p>Expands knowledge of student development and implements learning activities in single lessons or sequence of lessons that address students' proficiencies and support understanding of subject matter including related academic language.</p> <p>Provides explicit teaching of essential content vocabulary and associated academic language in single lessons or sequence of lessons. Explains academic language, formats, and vocabulary to support student access to subject matter when confusions are identified.</p>	<p>Adapts instruction in response to knowledge of student development and proficiencies to meet students' diverse learning needs. Ensures understanding of subject matter including related academic language.</p> <p>Provides explicit teaching of essential vocabulary, idioms, key words with multiple meanings, and academic language in ways that engage students in accessing subject matter text or learning activities.</p>	<p>Integrates knowledge of range of students development into instructional decisions to ensure student understanding of subject matter including related academic language.</p> <p>Provides explicit teaching of specific academic language, text structure, grammatical, and stylistic language features to ensure equitable access and subject matter understanding for the range of student language levels and abilities.</p>	<p>Utilizes comprehensive knowledge of students to guide all students to develop proficiencies, understand subject matter including related academic language.</p> <p>Engages students at all levels of vocabulary, academic language, and proficiency in self-directed goal setting, monitoring, and improvement. Guides all students in using analysis strategies that provides equitable access and deep understanding of subject matter.</p>

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<p>3.3 Organizing curriculum to facilitate student understanding of the subject matter</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p><i>Evidence:</i></p> </div>	<p>Follows organization of curriculum as provided by site and district to support student understanding of subject matter.</p>	<p>Examines organization of curriculum and considers adjustments in single lessons or sequence of lessons to support understanding of subject matter.</p>	<p>Uses knowledge of curriculum and student readiness to organize and adjust the curriculum to ensure student understanding.</p>	<p>Integrates knowledge of curriculum and resources to organize and adjust instruction within and across subject matter to extend student understanding.</p>	<p>Uses extensive knowledge of curriculum and related resources to flexibly and effectively organize and adjust instruction.</p> <p>Ensures student comprehension and facilitates student articulation about what they do and don't understand.</p>

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<p>3.4 Utilizing instructional strategies that are appropriate to the subject matter</p> <div data-bbox="94 625 388 1380" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Evidence:</p> </div>	<p>Uses instructional strategies that are provided in the curriculum.</p>	<p>Gathers and uses additional instructional strategies in single lessons or sequence of lessons to increase student understanding of academic language appropriate to subject matter.</p>	<p>Selects and adapts a variety of instructional strategies to ensure student understanding of academic language appropriate to subject matter and that address students' diverse learning needs.</p>	<p>Integrates instructional strategies appropriate to subject matter to meet students' diverse learning, to ensure student understanding of academic language, and guide students in understanding connections within and across subject matter.</p>	<p>Uses an extensive repertoire of instructional strategies to develop enthusiasm, meta-cognitive abilities, and support and challenge the full range of students towards a deep knowledge of subject matter.</p>

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<p>3.5 Using and adapting resources, technologies, and standards-aligned instructional materials, including adopted materials, to make subject matter accessible to all students</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Evidence:</p> </div>	<p>Uses available instructional materials, resources, and technologies for specific lessons to make subject matter accessible to students.</p> <p>Identifies technological resources needed.</p>	<p>Explores additional instructional materials, resources, and technologies to make subject matter accessible to students.</p> <p>Explores how to make technological resources available to all students.</p>	<p>Selects, adapts, and utilizes appropriate instructional materials, resources, and technologies for concept and skill development in subject matter. Resources reflect the diversity of the classroom and support differentiated learning of subject matter.</p> <p>Guides students to use available print, electronic, and online subject matter resources based on individual needs.</p>	<p>Integrates a wide range of adapted resources, technologies, and instructional materials to meet identified student needs and make subject matter accessible to students.</p> <p>Assists students with equitable access to materials, resources, and technologies. Seeks outside resources and support.</p>	<p>Engages students in identifying and adapting resources, technologies, and standards-aligned instructional materials to extend student understanding and critical thinking about subject matter.</p> <p>Ensures that students are able to obtain equitable access to a wide range of technologies, through ongoing links to outside resources and support.</p>

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<p>3.6 Addressing the needs of <i>English Learners</i> and students with special needs* to provide equitable access to the content</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p>Evidence:</p> </div>	<p>Is aware of students' primary language and English language proficiencies based on available assessment data.</p> <p>Provides adapted materials to help English Learners access content.</p>	<p>Seeks additional information describing elements of culture and language proficiencies in listening, speaking, reading and writing.</p> <p>Uses multiple measures for assessing English learners' performance to identify gaps in English language development.</p> <p>Attempts to scaffold content using visuals, models, and graphic organizers.</p>	<p>Identifies language proficiencies and English learner strengths in the study of language and content. Differentiates instruction using one or more components of English language development to support English learners.</p> <p>Creates and implements scaffolds to support standards-based instruction using literacy strategies, SDAIE, and content level English language development in order for students to improve language proficiencies and understand content.</p>	<p>Integrates knowledge of English language development and English learner's strengths and assessed needs into English language and content instruction.</p> <p>Develops and adapts instruction to provide a wide range of scaffolded supports for language and content for the range of English learners.</p>	<p>Engages English learners in assessment of their progress in English language development and in meeting content standards. Supports students to establish and monitor language and content goals.</p> <p>Is resourceful and flexible in the design, adjustment and elimination of scaffolds based on English learners' proficiencies, knowledge and skills in content.</p>

Please see the additional Standard elements that are of particular importance in the effective instruction of English Learners:

Standard Element 1.2 Connecting learning to students' prior knowledge, backgrounds, life experiences, and interests

Standard Element 3.2 Applying knowledge of student development and proficiencies to ensure student understanding of subject matter

Standard Element 6.4 Working with families to support student learning

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**The full range of students with special needs includes students with IEPs, 504 Plans and advanced learners.*

Please see the additional Standard elements that are of particular importance in the effective instruction of students with special needs:

Standard Element 2.6: Employing classroom routines, procedures, norms, and supports for positive behavior to ensure climate in which all students can learn.

Standards 2 and 4 contain multiple references to differentiation, adaptations, and adjustments that are all critical supports for students with special needs.