

Teacher Pre-Observation and Lesson Plan

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Students

1. Briefly describe the students in this class, including those with special needs. How have you used this information to plan for this lesson?

This is an ICT living environment regents class with students in both 9th and 10th grades. This class is a mix of typical students and students with special needs. There are 18 students in this class and 12 of them have IEPs for various reasons. Of the students with special needs, disabilities include learning disabled, and ADHD.

A multi-sensory teaching approach will be used to help differentiate between learning levels and styles, and to improve student ability to process and retain information.

Students will participate in interactive learning activities to help get a better understanding of data collection, data interpretation, and how to look for patterns and connections within data. This is Day 1 of a 2 day lab.

Goals/Priorities

2. What are the goals for the lesson in terms of what students will know, understand, and be able to do?

After completion of lab activities, students will understand that patterns and connections can sometimes be found through careful interpretation of collected data. This is day 1 out of a 2 day lab.

1. Students will learn different ways to take their resting pulse rate per minute.
2. Students will predict what effect exercising has on their pulse.
3. Students will collect data on their classmate's average pulse rates.
4. Students will use the data to prepare a histogram of class results.

3. How does the lesson support building, department, or district priorities, as well as state standards?

The content of this lesson follows the Half Hollow Hills Living Environment Curriculum for Regents classes, and it aligns with the NYS Common Core Standards for the same area.

This lesson is a New York State Lab for the Living Environment Regents test. Students must complete all four state labs to sit for the L.E. Regents test. This is Day 1 out of a 2 day lab.

Learning Plan

4. How do you plan to engage students in the content? What will you do? What will the students do?

- Students will complete a Do Now to help review and activate prior knowledge of respiration, independent and dependent variables, and some circulatory system.
- Teacher will review graphing and variables with the class. Teacher will guide class through making predictions.
- Teacher will model lab activities, and students will complete activities, take data, graph independently, and interpret data.
- Students will complete exit ticket.

5. What instructional materials will you use and how will they support and extend student learning?

The following instructional materials will be used in this lesson:

- **Do Now**- activate prior knowledge
- **Lesson Packet**- help organize students by providing a tangible differentiated resource that consists of a Do Now, Lab, and an Exit Ticket all in one.
- **Smart Board, Lady Bug**- tools that project visuals and descriptions of vocabulary and processes for better viewing
- **Lab Materials**- enhance student understanding

- **Table Pens-** enhance student engagement

Student Progress

5. What difficulties do students typically experience in this area, and how do you plan to anticipate these difficulties?

tudents typically experience difficulty when plotting x and y variables on a graph. They forget which is the independent variable and which is the dependent variable. I like to give examples of cause and effect. The independent is the cause, and the dependent is the effect.

also like the acronym **DRY MIX** to help remember the dependent variable goes on the **y** axis, and the independent variable goes on the **x** axis.

D = dependent variable

R = responding variable

Y = graph information on the vertical or y-axis

I = manipulated variable

X = independent variable

M = graph information on the horizontal or x-axis

7. How do you plan to assess student achievement? What procedures will you use? (attach any tests or performance tasks, with rubrics or scoring guides)

Several assessments will be used for this topic. Informal assessments in the form of question and answering, observations during lab activity as well as group and independent work will be used by both teachers. A Do Now will assess student ability to recall prior learned information on respiration, and parts of the scientific method, the lab itself will be marked and graded, and an exit ticket involving comprehension questions based on this lab will be used to assess immediate student understanding. In addition, a formal assessment will be given this Friday consisting of 25 regents level questions on this lab topic, and it will consist of multiple choice and short answer questions from prior regents tests.

Additional Items


3. If applicable, describe how the planning of this lesson reflects recommendations made during prior informal/formal observations and professional conversations

For this class, questioning of both lower cognition (fact, closed, direct, recall, and knowledge questions) as well as higher cognition (open-ended, interpretive, evaluative, inquiry, inferential, and synthesis questions) will be used to guide students when processing more abstract concepts.

List any items you might want to call to the attention of the administrator.

The Smart Board is an area of concern in this classroom. The way the Smart Board is set up, it's difficult for the entire class to view at once. The board is off to the left side of the room, which often requires students moving seats mid lesson, just to get a better view of what's on the board.

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Teacher Formal Observation

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Domain 1: Planning and Preparation

Domain 1-Planning and Preparation

Criteria	Highly Effective	Effective	Developing	Ineffective
1a: Demonstrating knowledge of content and pedagogy	Teacher displays extensive knowledge of the important concepts in the discipline and how these relate both to one another and to other disciplines. Teacher's plans and practice reflect understanding of prerequisite relationships among topics and concepts and a link to necessary cognitive structures by students to ensure understanding. Teacher's plans and practice reflect familiarity with a wide range of effective pedagogical approaches in the discipline, anticipating student misconceptions.	Teacher displays solid knowledge of the important concepts in the discipline and how these relate to one another. Teacher's plans and practice reflect accurate understanding of prerequisite relationships among topics and concepts. Teacher's plans and practice reflect familiarity with a wide range of effective pedagogical approaches in the discipline.	Teacher is familiar with the important concepts in the discipline but displays lack of awareness of how these concepts relate to one another. Teacher's plans and practice indicate some awareness of prerequisite relationships, although such knowledge may be inaccurate or incomplete. Teacher's plans and practice reflect a limited range of pedagogical approaches to the discipline or to the students.	In planning and practice, teacher makes content errors or does not correct errors made by students. Teacher's plans and practice display little understanding of prerequisite relationships important to student learning of the content. Teacher displays little or no understanding of the range of pedagogical approaches suitable to student learning of the content.
1b: Demonstrating knowledge of students	Teacher actively seeks knowledge of student's levels of development and their backgrounds, cultures, skills, language proficiency, interests, and special needs from a variety of sources. This information is acquired for individual students.	Teacher understands the active nature of student learning and attains information about levels of development for groups of students. The teacher also purposefully seeks knowledge from several sources of students' backgrounds, cultures, skills, language proficiency, interests, and special needs, and attains this knowledge for groups of students.	Teacher indicates the importance of understanding how students learn and the students' backgrounds, cultures, skills, language proficiency, interests, and special needs, and attains this knowledge for the class as a whole.	Teacher demonstrates little or no understanding of how students learn, and little knowledge of students' backgrounds, cultures, skills, language proficiency, interest, and special needs, and does not seek such understanding.
1c: Setting instructional outcomes	All outcomes represent rigorous and important learning in the discipline. The outcomes are clear, written in the form of student learning, and permit viable methods of assessment. Outcomes reflect several different types of learning and, where appropriate, represent opportunities for both coordination and integration. Outcomes take into account the varying needs of individual students.	Most outcomes represent rigorous and important learning in the discipline. All the instructional outcomes are clear, written in the form of student learning, and suggest viable methods of assessment. Outcomes reflect several different types of learning and opportunities for coordination. Outcomes take into account the varying needs of groups of students.	Outcomes represent moderately high expectations and rigor. Some reflect important learning in the discipline, and consist of a combination of outcomes and activities. Outcomes reflect several types of learning, but teacher has made no attempt at coordination or integration. Most of the outcomes are suitable for most of the students in the class based on global assessments of student learning.	Outcomes represent low expectations for students and lack of rigor, nor do they all reflect important learning in the discipline. Outcomes are stated as activities, rather than as student learning. Outcomes reflect only one type of learning and only one discipline or strand, and are suitable for only some students.
1d: Demonstrating knowledge of resources	Teacher's knowledge of resources for classroom use, for expanding one's own knowledge, and for students is extensive, including those available through the school or district, in the community, through professional organizations and universities, and on the Internet.	Teacher displays awareness of resources available for classroom use, for expanding one's own knowledge, and for students through the school or district and external to the school and on the Internet.	Teacher displays basic awareness of resources available for classroom use, for expanding one's own knowledge, and for students through the school, but no knowledge of resources available more broadly.	Teacher is unaware of resources for classroom use, for expanding one's own knowledge, or for students available through the school or district.
1e: Designing coherent instruction	Plans represent the coordination of in-depth content knowledge, understanding of different students' needs and available resources (including technology) resulting in a series	Teacher coordinates knowledge of content, of students, and of resources, to design a series of learning experiences aligned to instructional outcomes and suitable to groups of students	Some of the learning activities and materials are suitable to the instructional outcomes, and represent a moderate cognitive challenge, but with no differentiation for different	The series of learning experiences is poorly aligned with the instructional outcomes and does not represent a coherent structure. The activities are not designed to engage

	engage students in high-level cognitive activity. These are differentiated, as appropriate, for individual learners. Instructional groups are varied as appropriate, with some opportunity for student choice. The lesson's or unit's structure is clear and allows for different pathways according to diverse student needs.	reasonable time allocations; they represent significant cognitive challenge, with some differentiation for different groups of students. The lesson or unit has a clear structure with appropriate and varied use of instructional groups.	partially support the instructional outcomes, with an effort at providing some variety. The lesson or unit has a recognizable structure; the progression of activities is uneven, with most time allocations reasonable.	activity and have unrealistic time allocations. Instructional groups do not support the instructional outcomes and offer no variety.
1f: Designing student assessments	Teacher's plan for student assessment is fully aligned with the instructional outcomes, with clear criteria and standards that show evidence of student contribution to their development. Assessment methodologies have been adapted for individual students, as needed. The approach to using formative assessment is well designed and includes student as well as teacher use of the assessment information. Teacher intends to use assessment results to plan future instruction for individual students.	Teacher's plan for student assessment is aligned with the instructional outcomes; assessment methodologies may have been adapted for groups of students. Assessment criteria and standards are clear. Teacher has a well-developed strategy for using formative assessment and has designed particular approaches to be used. Teacher intends to use assessment results to plan for future instruction for groups of students.	Some of the instructional outcomes are assessed through the proposed approach, but others are not. Assessment criteria and standards have been developed, but they are not clear. Approach to the use of formative assessment is rudimentary, including only some of the instructional outcomes. Teacher intends to use assessment results to plan for future instruction for the class as a whole.	Assessment procedures are not congruent with instructional outcomes; the proposed approach contains no criteria or standards. Teacher has no plan to incorporate formative assessment in the lesson or unit, nor any plans to use assessment results in designing future instruction.

Rubric Score: 21.96/24

Domain 1 Rubric Score Report

Rubric	Progress	Score	Max	Criteria	Avg	Last Completed
Teacher Domain 1	1 of 1 1 of 1	21.96	24	6	3.66	03/31/2019
TOTAL:		21.96	24	6	3.66	

Domain 1 Average 3.66

Comments and Recommendations:

While not a science certified teacher, Mrs. Redden has worked hard to gain a solid understanding of the New York State curriculum for Living Environment. Her knowledge of strategies to make learning accessible to all students is extensive as Mrs. Redden incorporates learning strategies into each aspect of her lesson. Mrs. Redden recognizes that plotting points in science can be a daunting task for her students, particularly remembering which side of the graph the independent and dependent variables go on. To assist students in remembering, she will remind students of the acronym RY MIX when setting up their graphs.

Mrs. Redden is fully aware of each of her students strengths, weaknesses, learning styles and accommodations and plans her lesson accordingly to ensure all students have the opportunity to meet with success in her class. She often will go into the students' support classes and provide extra assistance for those students struggling with a concept of key idea.

At the conclusion of the lab, students will know different ways to take their pulse and understand the effect exercise has on their pulse rate. Students will be able to collect data on their classmates' average pulse rate and prepare a histogram to graph those results.

Mrs. Redden has developed a vast knowledge of resource for the classroom, for students and for her own personal growth. For this lesson, Mrs. Redden has created a packet including a do now with illustrations to assist students in identifying the different types of blood vessels, their functions and the difference between dependent and independent variables. The lab is sequentially designed beginning with a statement of why making predictions are important in science in general. The design of the lab takes the students through the process, step by step, providing clear directions for each components. All the materials for the lab are included in the packets, including the follow up questions which provides an opportunity for students to indicate their own insights. The exit ticket consists of 7 questions taken directly off old New York State Regents exams.

When creating this lesson, Mrs. Redden considered the content to be taught in conjunction with her students' learning needs. The lesson begins with a review of the circulatory system and will flow into the New York State lab. The lab is simply broken down, walking the students through the activity step by step. Directions are provided throughout the document to correspond with each section.

Assessment of student learning will be gathered through questioning, discussion, review of the exit ticket, grading of the lab and results of the final assessment for the unit.

Domain 2: The Classroom Environment

Half Hollow Hills Observation Rubric Domain 2

Criteria	Highly Effective	Effective	Developing	Ineffective
2a: Creating an environment of respect and rapport	Classroom interactions among the teacher and individual students are highly respectful, reflecting genuine warmth, caring, and sensitivity to students as individuals. Students exhibit respect for the teacher and contribute to high levels of civility among all members of the class. The net result of interactions is that of connections with students as	Teacher-student interactions are friendly and demonstrate general caring and respect. Such interactions are appropriate to the ages of the students. Students exhibit respect for the teacher. Interactions among students are generally polite and respectful. Teacher responds successfully to disrespectful behavior among students. The net result of the	Patterns of classroom interactions, both between the teacher and students and among students, are generally appropriate but may reflect occasional inconsistencies, favoritism, and disregard for student's ages, cultures, and developmental levels. Students rarely demonstrate disrespect for one another. Teacher attempts to respond to	Patterns of classroom interaction, both between the teacher and student and among students, are mostly negative, inappropriate, or insensitive to students' ages, cultural backgrounds, and developmental levels. Interactions are characterized by sarcasm, put-down's, or conflict. Teacher does not deal with disrespectful behavior.

			the interactions is neutral: conveying neither warmth nor conflict.	
2b: Establishing a culture for learning	The classroom culture is a cognitively vibrant place, characterized by a shared belief in the importance of learning. The teacher conveys high expectations for learning by all students and insists on hard work; students assume responsibility for high quality by initiating improvements, making revisions, adding detail and/or helping peers.	The classroom culture is a cognitively busy place where learning is valued by all with high expectations for learning the norm for most students. The teacher conveys that with hard work students can be successful; students understand their role as learners and consistently expend effort to learn. Classroom interactions support learning and hard work.	The classroom culture is characterized by little commitment to learning by teacher or students. The teacher appears to be only "going through the motions," and students indicate that they are interested in completion of a task, rather than quality. The teacher conveys that student success is the result of natural ability rather than hard work; high expectations for learning are reserved for those students thought to have a natural aptitude for the subject.	The classroom culture is characterized by a lack of teacher or student commitment to learning, and/or little or no investment of student energy into the task at hand. Hard work is not expected or valued. Medium to low expectations for student achievement are the norm with high expectations for learning reserved for only one or two students.
2c: Managing classroom procedures	Instructional time is maximized due to efficient classroom routines and procedures. Students contribute to the management of instructional groups, transitions and/or the handling of materials and supplies. Routines are well understood and may be initiated by students.	There is little loss of instructional time due to effective classroom routines and procedures. The teacher's management of instructional groups and/or the handling of materials and supplies are consistently successful. With minimal guidance and prompting, students follow established classroom routines.	Some instructional time is lost due to only partially effective classroom routines and procedures. The teacher's management of instructional groups, transitions, and/or the handling of materials and supplies is inconsistent, leading to some disruption of learning. With regular guidance and prompting, students follow established routines.	Much instructional time is lost due to inefficient classroom routines and procedures. There is little or no evidence of the teacher managing instructional groups, transitions, and/or the handling of materials and supplies effectively. There is little evidence that students know or follow established routines.
2d: Managing student behavior	Student behavior is entirely appropriate. Students take an active role in monitoring their own behavior and that of other students against standards of conduct. Teacher's monitoring of student behavior is subtle and preventive. Teacher's response to student misbehavior is sensitive to individual student needs and respects students.	Student behavior is generally appropriate. The teacher monitors student behavior against established standards of conduct. Teacher response to student misbehavior is consistent, proportionate and respectful to students and is effective.	Standards of conduct appear to have been established, but their implementation is inconsistent. Teacher tries, with uneven results, to monitor student behavior and respond to student misbehavior. There is inconsistent implementation of the standards of conduct.	There appears to be no established standards of conduct, and little or no teacher monitoring of student behavior. Students challenge the standards of conduct. Response to student's misbehavior is repressive, or disrespectful of student dignity.
2e: Organizing physical space	The classroom is safe, and learning is accessible to all students including those with special needs. Teacher makes effective use of physical resources, including computer technology. The teacher ensures that the physical arrangement is appropriate to the learning activities. Students contribute to the use or adaptation of the physical environment to advance learning.	The classroom is safe, and learning is accessible to all students; teacher ensures that the physical arrangement is appropriate to the learning activities. Teacher makes effective use of physical resources, including computer technology.	The classroom is safe, and essential learning is accessible to most students. The teacher's use of physical resources, including computer technology, is moderately effective. Teacher may attempt to modify the physical arrangement to suit learning activities, with partial success.	The physical environment is unsafe, or many students don't have access to learning. There is poor alignment between the arrangement of furniture and resources, including computer technology, and the lesson activities.

Rubric Score: 19.49/20

Domain 2 Rubric Score Report

Rubric	Progress	Score	Max	Criteria	Avg	Last Completed
Teacher Domain 2	1 of 1 1 of 1	19.49	20	5	3.898	03/31/2019
TOTAL:		19.49	20	5	3.898	

Domain 2 Average: 3.9

Comments and Recommendations:

Classroom interactions between Mrs. Redden, Dr. Stabile, the co-teacher, and the students were highly respectful, representing genuine warmth and caring. The teachers were able to joke with the students then easily direct them back on task. Students listened to their peers as they volunteered in class and collaborated nicely together in their groups.

The classroom represented a cognitively vibrant learning environment with high expectation for learning. Student involvement was continuous throughout the lesson whether through hands on activities, class discussion or small group work at the lab stations. Students volunteered, asked questions and were active participants in the lesson.

Instructional time was maximized due to efficient classroom routines and procedures. As students entered, they were provided a copy of the packet which included the Do Now, lab, exit ticket and regents review questions. The Do Now was also displayed on the board, ready to be discussed. Mrs. Redden explained the Do Now as Dr. Stabile took attendance. As Mrs. Redden and Dr. Stabile reviewed the Do Now and moved through the lab, Mrs. Redden recorded student responses and displayed them on the board utilizing the ladybug. Mrs. Redden also provided additional notes on the board that corresponded with the information they were discussing in class.

Student behavior in class was entirely appropriate as every student was on task and focused. A lot of group discussion occurred during the lesson and students were not allowed to be passive learners in class. This alone, kept students involved in the lesson and held accountable for their own learning.

Desks were arranged in a traditional manner in rows facing the white board and Smart board in the front of the room. A large lab table sits in front of the board for teacher demonstrations of labs. Along the back and side of the room are lab station for student work. Educational and motivational

Domain 3: Instruction

Half Hollow Hills Observation Rubric Domain 3

Criteria	Highly Effective	Effective	Developing	Ineffective
3a: Communicating with students	The teacher links the instructional purpose of the lesson to student interests; the directions and procedures are clear and anticipate possible student misunderstanding. Teacher's explanation of content is thorough and clear, developing conceptual understanding through artful scaffolding and connecting with students' interests. Students contribute to extending the content, and in explaining concepts to their classmates. Teacher's spoken and written language is expressive, and the teacher finds opportunities to extend students' vocabularies.	The instructional purpose of the lesson is clearly communicated to students, including where it is situated within broader learning; directions and procedures are explained clearly. Teacher's explanation of content is well scaffolded, clear and accurate, and connects with students' knowledge and experience. During the explanation of content, the teacher invites student intellectual engagement. Teacher's spoken and written language is clear and correct. Vocabulary is appropriate to the students' ages and interests.	Teacher's attempt to explain the instructional purpose has only limited success, and/or directions and procedures must be clarified after initial student confusion. Teacher's explanation of the content may contain minor errors; some portions are clear; other portions are difficult to follow. Teacher's explanation consists of a monologue, with no invitation to the students for intellectual engagement. Teacher's spoken language is correct; however, vocabulary is limited, or not fully appropriate to the students' ages or backgrounds.	The instructional purpose of the lesson is unclear to students and the directions and procedures are confusing. Teacher's explanation of the content contains major errors. The teacher's spoken or written language contains errors of grammar or syntax. Vocabulary is inappropriate, vague, or use incorrectly, leaving students confused.
3b: Using questioning / prompts and discussion	Teacher uses a variety or series of questions or prompts to challenge students cognitively, advance high level thinking and discourse, and promote meta-cognition. Students formulate many questions, initiate topics and make unsolicited contributions. Students themselves ensure that all voices are heard in the discussion.	While the teacher may use some low-level questions, he or she poses questions to students designed to promote student thinking and understanding. Teacher creates a genuine discussion among students, providing adequate time for students to respond, and stepping aside when appropriate. Teacher successfully engages most students in the discussion, employing a range of strategies to ensure that most students are heard.	Teacher's questions lead students through a single path of inquiry, with answers seemingly determined in advance. Alternatively the teacher attempts to frame some questions designed to promote student thinking and understanding, but only a few students are involved. Teacher attempts to engage all students in the discussion and to encourage them to respond with one another, with uneven results.	Teacher's questions are of low cognitive challenge, single correct responses, and asked in rapid succession. Interaction between teacher and students is predominantly recitation style, with the teacher mediating all questions and answers. A few students dominate the discussion.
3c: Engaging students in learning	Virtually all students are intellectually engaged in challenging content, through well-designed learning tasks, and suitable scaffolding by the teacher, and fully aligned with the instructional outcomes. In addition, there is evidence of some student initiation of inquiry, and student contributions to the exploration of important content. The pacing of the lesson provides students the time needed to intellectually engage with and reflect upon their learning, and to consolidate their understanding. Students may have some choice in how they complete tasks and may serve as resources for one another.	The learning tasks and activities are aligned with the instructional outcomes and are designed to challenge student thinking, resulting in active intellectual engagement by most students with important and challenging content, and with teacher scaffolding to support that engagement. The pacing of the lesson is appropriate, providing most students the time needed to be intellectually engaged.	The learning tasks or prompts are partially aligned with the instructional outcomes but require only minimal thinking by students, allowing most students to be passive or merely compliant. The pacing of the lesson may not provide students the time needed to be intellectually engaged.	The learning tasks and activities, materials, resources, instructional groups and technology are poorly aligned with the instructional outcomes, or require only rote responses. The pace of the lesson is too slow or rushed. Few students are intellectually engaged or interested.
3d: Using Assessment in Instruction	Assessment is fully integrated into instruction, through extensive use of formative assessment. Students appear to be aware of, and there is some evidence that they have contributed to, the assessment criteria. Students self-assess and monitor their progress. A variety of feedback, from both the teacher and peers, is accurate, specific, and advances learning. Questions/ prompts/ assessments are used regularly to diagnose evidence of learning by individual students.	Assessment is regularly used during instruction, through monitoring of progress of learning by teacher and/or students, resulting in accurate, specific feedback that advances learning. Students appear to be aware of the assessment criteria; some of them engage in self-assessment. Questions/ prompts/ assessments are used to diagnose evidence of learning.	Assessment is used sporadically to support instruction, through some monitoring of progress of learning by teacher and/or students. Feedback to students is general, and students appear to be only partially aware of the assessment criteria used to evaluate their work but few assess their own work. Questions/ prompts/ assessments are rarely used to diagnose evidence of learning.	There is little or no assessment or monitoring of student learning; feedback is absent, or of poor quality. Students do not appear to be aware of the assessment criteria and do not engage in self-assessment.
3e: Demonstrating flexibility and responsiveness	Teacher seizes an opportunity to enhance learning, building on a spontaneous event or student interests or successfully adjusts and differentiates instruction to address individual student misunderstandings. Teacher persists in seeking effective approaches for students who need help, using an extensive repertoire of instructional strategies and soliciting additional resources from the school or community.	Teacher promotes the successful learning of all students, making minor adjustments as needed to instruction plans and accommodating student questions, needs and interests. The teacher persists in seeking approaches for students who have difficulty learning, drawing on a broad repertoire of strategies.	Teacher attempts to modify the lesson when needed and to respond to student questions and interests, with moderate success. Teacher accepts responsibility for student success, but has only a limited repertoire of strategies to draw upon.	Teacher adheres to the instruction plan in spite of evidence of poor student understanding or students' lack of interest. Teacher ignores student questions; when students experience difficulty, the teacher blames the students or their home environment.

Domain 3 Rubric Score Report

Rubric	Progress	Score	Max	Criteria	Avg	Last Completed
Teacher Domain 3	1 of 1 1 of 1	18.98	20	5	3.796	03/31/2019
TOTAL:		18.98	20	5	3.796	

Domain 3 Average 3.8

Comments and Recommendations:

Mrs. Redden began the lesson by reviewing the previous week's work on the circulatory system and tying the discussion to the Making Connections lab which involves the body's pulse. The lab was created with step by step directions that corresponded with the verbal instructions provided by Mrs. Redden and Dr. Stabile. Their explanations were clear and concise, although Mrs. Redden did anticipate some misunderstanding when it came to setting up the graph for the histogram. At this junction in the lesson, Mrs. Redden wrote an acronym on the board - DRY MIX- to assist the students in remembering how the x and y axis are labeled.

Questioning and discussion were used extensively in the lesson to activate prior knowledge, review the material and allow students to come up with their own conclusions rather than being lectured by the teachers. Often, when a student asked or answered a question, an extension to that question was asked to assist students in making connections on their own. The one word question "Why?" was often heard to expand student thinking.

All students were engaged in challenging work during the course of the period. Students remained active participants and were held accountable to provide input into the lesson. As students completed their Do Now, Mrs. Redden circulated around the room, assisting students and asking questions to generate ideas. The lab was an interactive lab in which all students needed to find their pulse, record their personal data on their labs and report out on their findings as the class generated a histogram based upon the findings of each student. Once the histograms were complete, the students were directed to their lab stations to discuss and begin to complete the corresponding questions with the lab.

Assessment of student learning was garnered through questioning, discussion, direct observation of student work in groups, review of the results of the exit ticket and grading of the labs.

Mrs. Redden remain cognizant of student acquisition of learning, altering her lesson a bit which effected her timing. This, however, was done to ensure students had a full understanding of certain aspects of the lesson, particularly creating the histogram. Mrs. Redden spent a few extra minutes in this part as determining how the graph is labeled can be difficult to understand and not all students could articulate how this was to be done when they approached this section of the lab.

Domain 4: Professional Responsibilities

if observable during pre or post observation conference:

Half Hollow Hills Observation Rubric Domain 4

Criteria	Highly Effective	Effective	Developing	Ineffective
4a: Reflecting on Teaching	Teacher makes a thoughtful and accurate assessment of a lesson's effectiveness and the extent to which it achieved its instructional outcomes, citing many specific examples from the lesson and weighing the relative strengths of each. Drawing on an extensive repertoire of skills, teacher offers specific alternative actions, complete with the probable success of different courses of action	Teacher makes an accurate assessment of a lesson's effectiveness and the extent to which it achieved its instructional outcomes and can cite general references to support the judgment. Teacher makes a few specific suggestions of what could be tried another time the lesson is taught.	Teacher has a generally accurate impression of a lesson's effectiveness and the extent to which instructional outcomes were met. Teacher makes general suggestions about how a lesson could be improved.	Teacher does not know whether a lesson was effective or achieved its instructional outcomes, or teacher profoundly misjudges the success of a lesson. Teacher has no suggestions for how a lesson could be improved.
4b: Maintaining Accurate Records	Teacher's system for maintaining information on student completion of assignments, student progress in learning, and non-instructional records, is fully effective. Students contribute information and participate in maintaining the records.	Teacher's system for maintaining information on student completion of assignments, student progress in learning, and non-instructional records, is fully effective.	Teacher's system for maintaining information on student completion of assignments and student progress in learning is rudimentary and only partially effective. Teacher's records for non-instructional activities are adequate, but require frequent monitoring to avoid errors.	Teacher's system for maintaining information on student completion of assignments and student progress in learning is nonexistent or in disarray. Teacher's records for non-instructional activities are in disarray, resulting in errors and confusion.
4c: Communicating with Families	Teacher's communication with families is frequent and sensitive to cultural traditions, with students contributing to the communication. Response to family concerns is handled with professional and cultural sensitivity. Teacher's efforts to engage families in the instructional program are frequent and successful.	Teacher communicates frequently with families about the instructional program and conveys information about individual student progress. Teacher makes some attempts to engage families in the instructional program; as appropriate. Information to families is conveyed in a culturally appropriate manner.	Teacher makes sporadic attempts to communicate with families about the instructional program and about the progress of individual students but does not attempt to engage families in the instructional program. But communications are one-way and not always appropriate to the cultural norms of those families.	Teacher communication with families, about the instructional program, or about individual students, is sporadic or culturally inappropriate. Teacher makes no attempt to engage families in the instructional program.
4d: Participating in a Professional Community	Relationships with colleagues are characterized by mutual support and cooperation, with the teacher taking initiative in assuming leadership among the faculty. Teacher takes a leadership role in promoting a culture of professional inquiry. Teacher volunteers to participate in school events and	Relationships with colleagues are characterized by mutual support and cooperation; teacher actively participates in a culture of professional inquiry. Teacher volunteers to participate in school events and in school and district projects, making a substantial contribution.	Teacher maintains cordial relationships with colleagues to fulfill duties that the school or district requires. Teacher becomes involved in the school's culture of professional inquiry when invited to do so. Teacher participates in school events and school and district projects when specifically asked.	Teacher's relationships with colleagues are negative or self-serving. Teacher avoids participation in a professional culture of inquiry, resisting opportunities to become involved. Teacher avoids becoming involved in school events or school and district projects.

	assuming a leadership role in at least one aspect of school or district life.			
4e: Growing and Developing Professionally	Teacher seeks out opportunities for professional development and makes a systematic effort to conduct action research. Teacher seeks out feedback on teaching from both supervisors and colleagues. Teacher initiates important activities to contribute to the profession.	Teacher seeks out opportunities for professional development to enhance content knowledge and pedagogical skill. Teacher welcomes feedback from colleagues when made by supervisors or when opportunities arise through professional collaboration. Teacher participates actively in assisting other educators.	Teacher participates in professional activities to a limited extent when they are convenient. Teacher accepts, with some reluctance, feedback on teaching performance from both supervisors and professional colleagues. Teacher finds limited ways to contribute to the profession.	Teacher engages in no professional development activities to enhance knowledge or skill. Teacher resists feedback on teaching performance from either supervisors or more experienced colleagues. Teacher makes no effort to share knowledge with others or to assume professional responsibilities.
4f: Showing Professionalism	Teacher can be counted on to hold the highest standards of honesty, integrity, and confidentiality and takes a leadership role with colleagues. Teacher is highly proactive in serving students, seeking out resources when needed. Teacher makes a concerted effort to challenge negative attitudes or practices to ensure that all students, particularly those traditionally underserved, are honored in the school. Teacher takes a leadership role in team or departmental decision-making and helps ensure that such decisions are based on the highest professional standards. Teacher complies fully with school and district regulations, taking a leadership role with colleagues.	Teacher displays high standards of honesty, integrity, and confidentiality in interactions with colleagues, students, and the public. Teacher is active in serving students, working to ensure that all students receive a fair opportunity to succeed. Teacher maintains an open mind in team or departmental decision-making. Teacher complies fully with school and district regulations.	Teacher is honest in interactions with colleagues, students, and the public. Teacher's attempts to serve students are inconsistent, and does not knowingly contribute to some students being ill served by the school. Teacher's decisions and recommendations are based on limited though genuinely professional considerations. Teacher complies minimally with school and district regulations, doing just enough to get by.	Teacher displays dishonesty in interactions with colleagues, students and the public. Teacher is not alert to students' needs and contributes to school practices that result in some students being ill served by the school. Teacher makes decisions and recommendations based on self-serving interests. Teacher does not comply with school and district regulations.

Rubric Score: 4/4

Domain 4 Rubric Score Report

Rubric	Progress	Score	Max	Criteria	Avg	Last Completed
Teacher Domain 4	1 of 1 1 of 1	4	4	1	4	03/31/2019
TOTAL:		4	4	1	4	

Domain 4 Average 4

Comments and Recommendations:

Mrs. Redden made a thoughtful and accurate assessment of her lesson's effectiveness and the extent to which she achieved her instructional outcomes. In the post observation conference, Mrs. Redden shared that she was pleased students were able to recall information from the previous week and apply the information to the lesson. She felt the students did a nice job taking data and the results of the exit ticket and lab were extremely positive. Mrs. Redden did site time being a factor in the lesson. She wished the students had more time to discuss the histogram, particularly how it determined what information is reflected across the bottom of the graph and which goes along the side. She also would have liked the student to have spent more time in their groups to discuss and collaborate on the lab.

Components 4a - 4b - 4c - 4d - 4e - 4f are part of the Domain 4 - Professional Responsibility Conference Only

Total Overall Score: 3.84

Rating

Highly Effective

Score

3.84

Observation Rating

- **Highly Effective**
3.5 - 4
- **Effective**
2.5 - 3.49
- **Developing**
1.5 - 2.49
- **Ineffective**
0 - 1.49

Total Overall Score (3.84/4)

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Observer Comments:

Teacher Post-Observation Reflection

User Information

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Grade: None

Assigned Administrator: MELFI, MICHELLE

Submitted By: REDDEN, MARY

Acknowledged By: N/A

Finalized By: MELFI, MICHELLE

Title: TEACHER

Department: HS SPED

Evaluation Type: Teacher 3

Evaluation Cycle: 09/01/2018 - 06/30/2019

Date Submitted: 03/12/2019 8:27 pm EDT

Date Acknowledged: Unacknowledged

Date Finalized : 03/31/2019 10:43 am EDT

Date of Post-Observation Conference: 3/13/2019

Grade Level/Subject/Period (or Time): 9th & 10th Living Environment

1. Did the students learn what you intended for them to learn? What evidence do you have to support this?

Yes, the students demonstrated different ways to take their pulse, and they understood the blood vessel responsible for pumping blood away from the heart (artery). In addition, they were able to collect and organize data based on classmate's average pulse rates, and successfully complete a histogram (with labels) using those charts. Students were also able to analyze their data and answer questions about the circulatory and respiratory systems.

Evidence to support this is as follows:

- Graded exit ticket showed a class average for 3rd period was 82%.
- Graded lab showed a class average of 90.
- A 25 question Wizard created quiz based on this lab will be given this Friday. Results are pending.

Please see attached artifacts which support the above statements.

2. To what extent were your goals and objectives appropriate for your students?

The goals and objectives for this lesson were appropriate because understanding the "Making Connections" state lab is a requirement for all students who wish to take the Living Environment Regents. Also, this lab consists of graphing, interpretation of data, and knowledge of the circulatory system, which minus the circulatory system, are skill sets necessary for not only Biology, but other regents tests as well.

3. Please comment on different aspects of your instructional delivery. To what extent were they effective? What would you do differently to improve the lesson (focusing on Activities, Grouping of students, and Materials & Resources)?

This lab should have been completed in 2, back-to-back periods. The regents has graphing, data collection, identification of dependent and independent variables (labeling of graphs) etc. Making sure the students have a good grasp on how to collect, interpret, and plot data using given information and unknown information, is important because those essential skills always on the regents. More time could have been spent on honing those skills in one period, then a break or exit ticket given at that time.

Day 2 of the lab, which involved students predicting outcomes when completing a "clothespin" activity is short. Day 2 focuses on anaerobic respiration, and lactic acid build up. Products of aerobic and anaerobic respiration are all over the regents. If I were to do this lab again, I would spend day 1 focusing on data and graphing mastery, and Day 2 focusing on the products of respiration, and how the circulatory and respiratory systems work together.

4. Please comment on your classroom procedures, student conduct, and your use of physical space. To what extent did these contribute to student learning?

This class can be somewhat sleepy at times, and they can be shy to raise their hand and participate in discussions. Everyone in class answered at least one question, and they were active participants in what time they had in groups. The students all completed almost all of the Do Now, and they were actively engaged in group discussion and guided work. The transition back to lab groups was fine, and they all attempted to complete lab questions with their groups. All labs were completed and turned in, and everyone did their HW except one student.

I met 9th period on Monday and Tuesday of this week with students who needed a little more support with plotting data on graphs, and using information to answer lab questions.

5. Did you alter your plan? If so, how, and why?

The plan was altered slightly. As opposed to giving the exit ticket in class, I gave the exit ticket as a HW assignment which I collected and graded first thing the next day.



Also, the group questions were reviewed rather quickly due to time constraints. I wished to have the students work more together to come up with certain situations and scenarios that would cause someone's heart rate to increase, as well as answer questions about patterns they either did or did not find in their data.

Due to this being a single period, the "active heart rate" component of the lab, was cut and started at the beginning of class on Tuesday 2nd period. We reviewed the previous day's lesson, and continued with that last question until Part B was completed.

File List

File Name	Date Uploaded	Size

Artifacts

Name	Upload Date	Upload User	File	
Exit Ticket (Assessment) results	03/12/2019	REDDEN, MARY	_Exit_Ticket_scores_____...	
25 question Wizard Quiz	03/12/2019	REDDEN, MARY	Making_Connections__State_Lab_...	