

Developing and Using Proficiency Scales

Proficiency scales are powerful tools for clarifying expectations and guiding both teaching and learning. A clearly articulated and well-described proficiency scale provides students with a visual understanding of what is required to master the learning goal or standard. When clearly written, a proficiency scale helps students **visualize the path to mastery** and gives educators a clear framework for **measuring student progress** toward a standard.

In this interactive session, participants will:

- Learn how to develop clear, effective proficiency scales aligned to learning goals
- Practice writing and applying scales to real classroom examples
- Explore ways to use proficiency scales to support instruction, student self-assessment, and feedback
- Review sample scales aligned to Missouri Priority Standards

Whether you're new to proficiency scales or seeking to refine your practice, this session will provide you with practical tools and strategies to enhance clarity, consistency, and learning in your classroom.

Target Audience: Curriculum Directors, Administrators, Instructional Coaches, and content teachers looking to increase student engagement in their classrooms.

Materials Needed/Interactive Level: Participants will have multiple opportunities to share their thoughts and ideas with other attendees.

Time: Two half Day Sessions:

Day One: 9-11:30am Day Two: 12:30pm-3pm

Note: This training is eligible for districts who have previously purchased Special #1 or the Unlimited Webinar package. Please enter Special #1or Unlimited in the PO field.

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