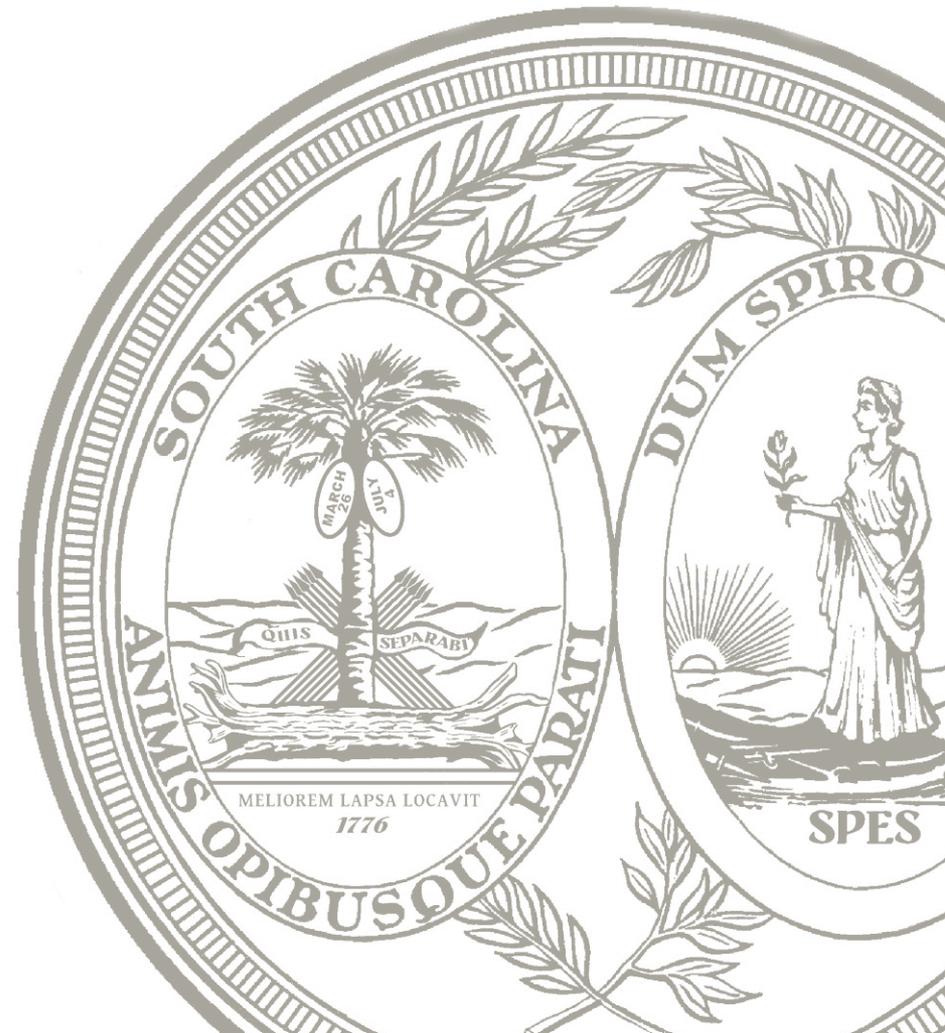


Assess the Data Literate Culture in Your School

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Session Outcomes

- Practice using the Data Literate Culture Rating Instrument to assess a meeting among school leadership, a meeting between school leadership and teachers, a meeting among teachers, and/or a class.
- Identify steps you can take to improve the data literate culture in your school, especially at the classroom level.

PADEPP Standards

Standard 4: Climate

- Initiates and maintains strategies to promote collegiality and collaboration among the staff to ensure high expectations for professional work, ethical and equitable practice, child-centered education, and continuous individual and organizational improvement.

Principles of Data Literacy

1. Understand what it means to be literate. Know the story and take ownership of it.
2. Recognize that data are not just standardized test scores.
3. Use multiple types of data to design instruction and make interventions.
4. Become critically conscious.
5. Assess on target (vs. on topic).
6. Encourage experimentation. Expect failure as part of the process.
7. Focus on relevant, classroom data that answer teachers' most important questions.
8. Get together, share data, and dialogue.

(Morrison, 2013)

Culture

The term *school culture* generally refers to the beliefs, perceptions, relationships, attitudes, and written and unwritten rules that shape and influence every aspect of a school.

Like the larger social culture, a school culture results from both conscious and unconscious perspectives, values, interactions, and practices, and it is heavily shaped by a school's particular institutional history.

(Great Schools Partnership, 2013)

Just because you have a data wall or data notebooks or a data website doesn't mean you have a data literate culture.



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- Conversations among school leaders
- Conversations between school leaders and teachers
- Conversations among teachers
- Conversations in the classroom

Fill the Box

1	2
3	4

- What was the situation?
- Who were the participants?
- What was said?
- What did participants bring or share?
- Who said what?
- How did participants act?
- What did you notice about the interaction with data?

Data Literate Culture Rating Instrument



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Data Literate Culture Rating Instrument

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- ➔ Gather
- ➔ Interpret
- ➔ Use
- ➔ Improve

Think of an observed class (#4), focusing specifically on student actions and/or thinking. Assess the data literate culture using the rating instrument.



Describe a different interaction (#1, #2, or #3) to a partner. Have him/her assess the data literate culture using the rating instrument.



Reflect on Your School

- What indicators of a data literate culture might be the strongest?
- What indicators of a data literate culture might need improvement?
- Would strengths and/or areas for improvement center in any particular team or grade level?

Reflect on the Instrument

- What are your questions?
- Do you see any problem areas?



What steps might you take to improve the data literate culture in your school, especially at the classroom level?



Practices

Do staff in your school...

- Engage in data literate dialogues? With other teachers? With students?
- Use the data analysis protocol?
- Perceive a rich data landscape?
- Use all four types of data?
- Know what data sources are most relevant for their roles?
- Engage in coaching with data?
- Engage in coaching for data?
- Understand the data story? Understand the data cycle?



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Application

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Please complete the professional learning activity associated with this session to help you apply your learning.



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