

3.50—ADMINISTRATOR EVALUATOR CERTIFICATION

Continuing Administrators

The Superintendent or designee shall determine and notify in writing by August 31 of each year those currently employed administrators who will be responsible for conducting Teacher Excellence and Support System (hereinafter TESS) summative evaluations who are not currently qualified to fulfill that role. All currently employed administrators so notified shall have until December 31 of the contract year to successfully complete all training and certification requirements for evaluators as set forth by the Division of Elementary and Secondary of Education (DESE). Any administrator who is required to obtain and maintain TESS evaluator certification, as a term and condition of employment, who fails to do so by December 31 of any contract year may have their contract terminated or not recommended for renewal. No administrator may conduct a summative evaluation unless they have successfully completed all training and certification requirements for evaluators required by the DESE.

Newly Hired or Promoted Administrators

All newly hired or newly promoted administrators, as a term and condition of their acceptance of their contract of employment for their administrative position, are required to obtain and maintain evaluator certification for TESS on or before December 31 of the initial administrative contract year, unless they are explicitly excused from such a contractual requirement by board action at the time of the hire or promotion. Any newly hired or newly promoted administrator who is required to obtain and maintain TESS evaluator certification, as a term and condition of employment, who fails to do so by December 31 of any contract year may have their contract terminated or not recommended for renewal. No administrator may conduct a summative evaluation unless they have successfully completed all training and certification requirements for evaluators required by the DESE.

Legal Reference: A.C.A. § 6-15-202(f)(50)

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