# Professional Standards for Educational Leaders (PSEL) Standards Alignment with ETS® Performance Assessment for School Leaders (PASL) Tasks

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**Standard 1: Elements b, d**

b) In collaboration with members of the school and the community and using relevant data, develop and promote a vision for the school on the successful learning and development of each child and on instructional and organizational practices that promote such success.

d) Strategically develop, implement, and evaluate actions to achieve the vision for the school.

**Standard 2: Element c**

c) Place children at the center of education and accept responsibility for each student’s academic success and well-being.

**Standard 4: Element g**

g) Use assessment data appropriately and within technical limitations to monitor student progress and improve instruction.

**Standard 6: Element d**

d) Foster continuous improvement of individual and collective instructional capacity to achieve outcomes envisioned for each student.

**Standard 7: Elements c, e**

c) Establish and sustain a professional culture of engagement and commitment to shared vision, goals, and objectives pertaining to the education of the whole child; high expectations for professional work; ethical and equitable practice; trust and open communication; collaboration, collective efficacy, and continuous individual and organizational learning and improvement.

e) Develop and support open, productive, caring, and trusting working relationships among leaders, faculty, and staff to promote professional capacity and the improvement of practice.
Standard 10: Elements a, b, c, h

- a) Seek to make school more effective for each student, teachers and staff, families, and the community.
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- h) Adopt a systems perspective and promote coherence among improvement efforts and all aspects of school organization, programs, and services.

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- d) Strategically develop, implement, and evaluate actions to achieve the vision for the school.

Standard 3: Elements a, c, g

- a) Ensure that each student is treated fairly, respectfully, and with an understanding of each student’s culture and context.
- c) Ensure that each student has equitable access to effective teachers, learning opportunities, academic and social support, and other resources necessary for success.
- g) Act with cultural competence and responsiveness in their interactions, decision making, and practice.

Standard 4: Elements a, b, d, f

- a) Implement coherent systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment that promote the mission, vision, and core values of the school, embody high expectations for student learning, align with academic standards, and are culturally responsive.
- b) Align and focus systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment within and across grade levels to promote student academic success, love of learning, the identities and habits of learners, and healthy sense of self.
- d) Ensure instructional practice that is intellectually challenging, authentic to student experiences, recognizes student strengths, and is differentiated and personalized.
- f) Employ valid assessments that are consistent with knowledge of child learning and development and technical standards of measurement.

Standard 5: Elements a, c, d

- a) Build and maintain a safe, caring, and healthy school environment that meets that the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs of each student.
- c) Provide coherent systems of academic and social supports, services, extracurricular activities, and accommodations to meet the range of learning needs of each student.
- d) Promote adult-student, student-peer, and school-community relationships that value and support academic learning and positive social and emotional development.
Standard 6: Element d

d) Foster continuous improvement of individual and collective instructional capacity to achieve outcomes envisioned for each student.

Standard 8: Elements c, f

c) Engage in regular and open two-way communication with families and the community about the school, students, needs, problems, and accomplishments.
f) Understand, value, and employ the community’s cultural, social, intellectual, and political resources to promote student learning and school improvement.

Standard 10: Elements f, g

f) Assess and develop the capacity of staff to assess the value and applicability of emerging educational trends and the findings of research for the school and its improvement.
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Step 4
Reflecting on the Plan and the Resolution
Candidates’ ability to reflect on the effectiveness of the plan

Standard 2: Elements a, b

a) Act ethically and professionally in personal conduct, relationships with others, decision making, stewardship of the school’s resources, and all aspects of school leadership.
b) Act according to and promote the professional norms of integrity, fairness, transparency, trust, collaboration, perseverance, learning, and continuous improvement.

Standard 5: Element a

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Standard 6: Element d

d) Foster continuous improvement of individual and collective instructional capacity to achieve outcomes envisioned for each student.

Standard 7: Element c

c) Establish and sustain a professional culture of engagement and commitment to shared vision, goals, and objectives pertaining to the education of the whole child; high expectations for professional work; ethical and equitable practice; trust and open communication; collaboration, collective efficacy, and continuous individual and organizational learning and improvement.

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### PSEL Standards

- **Standard 1: Elements b, d**
  - b) In collaboration with members of the school and the community and using relevant data, develop and promote a vision for the school on the successful learning and development of each child and on instructional and organizational practices that promote such success.
  - d) Strategically develop, implement, and evaluate actions to achieve the vision for the school.

- **Standard 2: Element a**
  - a) Act ethically and professionally in personal conduct, relationships with others, decision making, stewardship of the school’s resources, and all aspects of school leadership.

- **Standard 4: Elements c, d**
  - c) Promote instructional practice that is consistent with knowledge of child learning and development, effective pedagogy, and the needs of each student.
  - d) Ensure instructional practice that is intellectually challenging, authentic to student experiences, recognizes student strengths, and is differentiated and personalized.

- **Standard 6: Elements c, d, e, f**
  - c) Develop teachers’ and staff members’ professional knowledge, skills, and practice through differentiated opportunities for learning and growth, guided by understanding of professional and adult learning and development.
  - d) Foster continuous improvement of individual and collective instructional capacity to achieve outcomes envisioned for each student.
  - e) Deliver actionable feedback about instruction and other professional practice through valid, research-anchored systems of supervision and evaluation to support the development of teachers’ and staff members’ knowledge, skills, and practice.
  - f) Empower and motivate teachers and staff to the highest levels of professional practice and to continuous learning and improvement.

- **Standard 7: Elements a, b, c, e, f, g, h**
  - a) Develop workplace conditions for teachers and other professional staff that promote effective professional development, practice, and student learning.

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**Step 1**

**Designing Building-level Professional Development**

Candidates’ ability to work with colleagues to develop a prioritized list of significant professional development needs
b) Empower and entrust teachers and staff with collective responsibility for meeting the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs of each student, pursuant to the mission, vision, and core values of the school.

c) Establish and sustain a professional culture of engagement and commitment to shared vision, goals, and objectives pertaining to the education of the whole child; high expectations for professional work; ethical and equitable practice; trust and open communication; collaboration, collective efficacy, and continuous individual and organizational learning and improvement.

e) Develop and support open, productive, caring, and trusting working relationships among leaders, faculty, and staff to promote professional capacity and the improvement of relationships.

f) Design and implement job-embedded and other opportunities for professional learning collaboratively with faculty and staff.

g) Provide opportunities for collaborative examination of practice, collegial feedback, and collective learning.

h) Encourage faculty-initiated improvement of programs and practices.

**Standard 10: Elements a, b, d, e, f, j**

a) Seek to make school more effective for each student, teachers and staff, families, and the community.

b) Use methods of continuous improvement to achieve the vision, fulfill the mission, and promote the core values of the school.

d) Engage others in an ongoing process of evidence-based inquiry, learning, strategic goal setting, planning, implementation, and evaluation for continuous school and classroom improvement.

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**Step 2**

**Implementing Building-Level Professional Development**

Candidates’ ability to facilitate professional development to address building-level teachers’ needs

**Standard 1: Element d**

d) Strategically develop, implement, and evaluate actions to achieve the vision for the school.

**Standard 2: Elements a, e**

a) Act ethically and professionally in personal conduct, relationships with others, decision making, stewardship of the school’s resources, and all aspects of school leadership.

e) Lead with interpersonal and communication skill, social-emotional insight, and understanding of all students’ and staff members’ backgrounds and cultures.

**Standard 6: Elements c, d, e, f**

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- f) Design and implement job-embedded and other opportunities for professional learning collaboratively with faculty and staff.

**Standard 10: Elements a, b, d, e**

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- d) Strategically develop, implement, and evaluate actions to achieve the vision for the school.

**Standard 2: Elements a, b, e**

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**Standard 3: Element c**

- c) Ensure that each student has equitable access to effective teachers, learning opportunities, academic and social support, and other resources necessary for success.

**Standard 4: Elements c, d**

- c) Promote instructional practice that is consistent with knowledge of child learning and development, effective pedagogy, and the needs of each student.
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Step 4
Reflecting on Building-Level Professional Development

Candidates’ ability to reflect on the effectiveness of the implementation of building-level professional development
**Standard 1: Elements b, d**

b) In collaboration with members of the school and the community and using relevant data, develop and promote a vision for the school on the successful learning and development of each child and on instructional and organizational practices that promote such success.

d) Strategically develop, implement, and evaluate actions to achieve the vision for the school.

**Standard 6: Elements c, d, f, i**

c) Develop teachers’ and staff members’ professional knowledge, skills, and practice through differentiated opportunities for learning and growth, guided by understanding of professional and adult learning and development.

d) Foster continuous improvement of individual and collective instructional capacity to achieve outcomes envisioned for each student.

f) Empower and motivate teachers and staff to the highest levels of professional practice and to continuous learning and improvement.

i) Tend to their own learning and effectiveness through reflection, study, and improvement, maintaining a healthy work-life balance.

**Standard 7: Elements a, b, c, e**

a) Develop workplace conditions for teachers and other professional staff that promote effective professional development, practice, and student learning.

b) Empower and entrust teachers and staff with collective responsibility for meeting the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs of each student, pursuant to the mission, vision, and core values of the school.

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e) Develop and support open, productive, caring, and trusting working relationships among leaders, faculty, and staff

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**Step 1<br>Identifying the Collaborative Team<br>Candidates’ ability to identify a team of teachers with varying experience to develop a collaborative team**

**Standard 1: Elements d, g**

d) Strategically develop, implement, and evaluate actions to achieve the vision for the school.<br>g) Model and pursue the school’s mission, vision, and core values in all aspects of leadership.

**Standard 2: Element e**
e) Lead with interpersonal and communication skill, social-emotional insight, and understanding of all students’ and staff members’ backgrounds and cultures.

**Standard 5: Element a**
a) Build and maintain a safe, caring, and healthy school environment that meets that the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs of each student.

**Standard 6: Element g**
g) Develop the capacity, opportunities, and support for teacher leadership and leadership from other members of the school community.

**Standard 7: Elements a, b, e, g, h**
a) Develop workplace conditions for teachers and other professional staff that promote effective professional development, practice, and student learning.<br>b) Empower and entrust teachers and staff with collective responsibility for meeting the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs of each student, pursuant to the mission, vision, and core values of the school.<br>e) Develop and support open, productive, caring, and trusting working relationships among leaders, faculty, and staff to promote professional capacity and the improvement of practice.<br>g) Provide opportunities for collaborative examination of practice, collegial feedback, and collective learning.<br>h) Encourage faculty-initiated improvement of programs and practices.

**Standard 10: Elements b, d, h, j**
b) Use methods of continuous improvement to achieve the vision, fulfill the mission, and promote the core values of the school.
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**Step 2**

**Developing a Plan to Improve Instruction, Student Learning, and the School Culture**

Candidates’ ability to facilitate colleagues’ work during the course of developing a plan to improve instruction, student learning, and the school culture

### Standard 1: Elements b, c, d, f, g

b) In collaboration with members of the school and the community and using relevant data, develop and promote a vision for the school on the successful learning and development of each child and on instructional and organizational practices that promote such success.

c) Articulate, advocate, and cultivate core values that define the school’s culture and stress the imperative of child-centered education; high expectations and student support; equity, inclusiveness, and social justice; openness, caring, and trust; and continuous improvement.

d) Strategically develop, implement, and evaluate actions to achieve the vision for the school.

f) Develop shared understanding of and commitment to mission, vision, and core values within the school and the community.

g) Model and pursue the school’s mission, vision, and core values in all aspects of leadership.

### Standard 2: Elements a, b, c, d, f

a) Act ethically and professionally in personal conduct, relationships with others, decision making, stewardship of the school’s resources, and all aspects of school leadership.

b) Act according to and promote the professional norms of integrity, fairness, transparency, trust, collaboration, perseverance, learning, and continuous improvement.

c) Place children at the center of education and accept responsibility for each student’s academic success and well-being.

d) Safeguard and promote the values of democracy, individual freedom and responsibility, equity, social justice, community, and diversity.

f) Provide moral direction for the school and promote ethical and professional behavior among faculty and staff.

### Standard 3: Element g

g) Act with cultural competence and responsiveness in their interactions, decision making, and practice.

### Standard 4: Elements a, c, d

a) Implement coherent systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment that promote the mission, vision, and core values of the school, embody high expectations for student learning, align with academic standards, and are culturally responsive.

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Standard 6: Elements d, f, g
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   d) Promote mutual accountability among teachers and other professional staff for each student’s success and the effectiveness of the school as a whole.
   e) Develop and support open, productive, caring, and trusting working relationships among leaders, faculty, and staff to promote professional capacity and the improvement of practice.
   f) Design and implement job-embedded and other opportunities for professional learning collaboratively with faculty and staff.
   g) Provide opportunities for collaborative examination of practice, collegial feedback, and collective learning.
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j) Develop and promote leadership among teachers and staff for inquiry, experimentation and innovation, and initiating and implementing improvement.

Step 3
Implementing the Plan to Improve Instruction, Student Learning, and the School Culture
Candidates’ ability to facilitate the collaborative team’s work as they implement the plan to improve instruction, student learning, and the school culture

Standard 1: Elements b, c, d, f, g

b) In collaboration with members of the school and the community and using relevant data, develop and promote a vision for the school on the successful learning and development of each child and on instructional and organizational practices that promote such success.

c) Articulate, advocate, and cultivate core values that define the school’s culture and stress the imperative of child-centered education; high expectations and student support; equity, inclusiveness, and social justice; openness, caring, and trust; and continuous improvement.

d) Strategically develop, implement, and evaluate actions to achieve the vision for the school.

f) Develop shared understanding of and commitment to mission, vision, and core values within the school and the community.

g) Model and pursue the school’s mission, vision, and core values in all aspects of leadership.

Standard 2: Elements a, b, c, e, f

a) Act ethically and professionally in personal conduct, relationships with others, decision making, stewardship of the school’s resources, and all aspects of school leadership.

b) Act according to and promote the professional norms of integrity, fairness, transparency, trust, collaboration, perseverance, learning, and continuous improvement.

c) Place children at the center of education and accept responsibility for each student’s academic success and well-being.

e) Lead with interpersonal and communication skill, social-emotional insight, and understanding of all students’ and staff members’ backgrounds and cultures.

f) Provide moral direction for the school and promote ethical and professional behavior among faculty and staff.

Standard 3: Element g

g) Act with cultural competence and responsiveness in their interactions, decision making, and practice.

Standard 4: Elements a, c, d, f, g

a) Implement coherent systems of curriculum, instruction, and assessment that promote the mission, vision, and core values of the school, embody high expectations for student learning, align with academic standards, and are culturally responsive.

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**Standard 5: Elements a, b**

a) Build and maintain a safe, caring, and healthy school environment that meets that the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs of each student.

b) Create and sustain a school environment in which each student is known, accepted and valued, trusted and respected, cared for, and encouraged to be an active and responsible member of the school community.

**Standard 6: Elements d, f, g, i**

d) Foster continuous improvement of individual and collective instructional capacity to achieve outcomes envisioned for each student.

f) Empower and motivate teachers and staff to the highest levels of professional practice and to continuous learning and improvement.

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i) Tend to their own learning and effectiveness through reflection, study, and improvement, maintaining a healthy work-life balance.

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b) Empower and entrust teachers and staff with collective responsibility for meeting the academic, social, emotional, and physical needs of each student, pursuant to the mission, vision, and core values of the school.

c) Establish and sustain a professional culture of engagement and commitment to shared vision, goals, and objectives pertaining to the education of the whole child; high expectations for professional work; ethical and equitable practice; trust and open communication; collaboration, collective efficacy, and continuous individual and organizational learning and improvement.

d) Promote mutual accountability among teachers and other professional staff for each student’s success and the effectiveness of the school as a whole.

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h) Encourage faculty-initiated improvement of programs and practices.

**Standard 9: Element g**

g) Develop and maintain data and communication systems to deliver actionable information for classroom and school improvement.

**Standard 10: Elements a, b, c, d, e, f, h, i, j**

a) Seek to make school more effective for each student, teachers and staff, families, and the community.

b) Use methods of continuous improvement to achieve the vision, fulfill the mission, and promote the core values of the school.
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d) Engage others in an ongoing process of evidence-based inquiry, learning, strategic goal setting, planning, implementation, and evaluation for continuous school and classroom improvement.

e) Employ situationally-appropriate strategies for improvement, including transformational and incremental, adaptive approaches and attention to different phases of implementation.

f) Assess and develop the capacity of staff to assess the value and applicability of emerging educational trends and the findings of research for the school and its improvement.

h) Adopt a systems perspective and promote coherence among improvement efforts and all aspects of school organization, programs, and services.

i) Manage uncertainty, risk, competing initiatives, and politics of change with courage and perseverance, providing support and encouragement, and openly communicating the need for, process for, and outcomes of improvement efforts.

j) Develop and promote leadership among teachers and staff for inquiry, experimentation and innovation, and initiating and implementing improvement.

**Step 4**

**Reflecting on the Collaborative Team and the School Culture**

Candidates’ ability to facilitate colleagues’ self-reflection on the collaborative team and the ability to reflect on future work in building collaborative teams in order to promote positive change in the school culture

**Standard 1: Elements b, d, f, g**

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g) Model and pursue the school’s mission, vision, and core values in all aspects of leadership.

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f) Provide moral direction for the school and promote ethical and professional behavior among faculty and staff.

**Standard 3: Element g**

g) Act with cultural competence and responsiveness in their interactions, decision making, and practice.

**Standard 6: Elements d, f, g, i**

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