


DOMAIN I: PLANNING AND PREPARATION
Component 1b: Demonstrating Knowledge of Students

Elements: Knowledge of child and adolescent development • Knowledge of the learning process • Knowledge of students' skills, knowledge, and language proficiency •
 Knowledge of students' interests and cultural heritage • Knowledge of students' special needs

| ELEMENT | LEVEL OF PERFORMANCE | | | |
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| | UNSATISFACTORY | BASIC | PROFICIENT | DISTINGUISHED |
| Knowledge of child and adolescent development  | Teacher displays little or no knowledge of the developmental characteristics of the age group. | Teacher displays partial knowledge of the developmental characteristics of the age group. | Teacher displays accurate understanding of the typical developmental characteristics of the age group, as well as exceptions to the general patterns. | In addition to accurate knowledge of the typical developmental characteristics of the age group and exceptions to the general patterns, teacher displays knowledge of the extent to which individual students follow the general patterns. |