The NIET Best Practices Portal

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Providing Powerful Technology Resources to Improve Educator Skills

The NIET Best Practices Portal is an interactive Web tool that provides real-time access to individualized trainings and support in order to improve instruction and evaluation. With online tools developed and reviewed with teachers and principals, NIET’s Best Practices Portal provides educators immediate access to the latest training resources.

Also available in a mobile version, this dynamic portal offers:

1. Evaluation Process
All of the tools, resources and trainings needed for an integrated system of teacher evaluation and support using multiple measures of performance. Also includes video examples of post-conferences between evaluators and teachers and an evaluator scripting tool to assist with collecting evidence in the classroom during the evaluation process.

2. Video Library
A collection of more than 120 hours of professionally filmed classroom lessons and other footage designed to improve teacher performance. High-definition videos are displayed in split screen in order to easily observe both the teacher and students.

3. Training Modules
Training modules that provide in-depth training for teachers to improve their practice on individual elements of the instructional rubric. The modules combine research, short video segments, quizzes and text into a succinct and focused online experience.

4. Document Library
Quick access to articles, manuals, handbooks and templates to guide and support campuses as they work to improve educator evaluation and support.

5. Professional Development
All the resources needed to effectively implement professional development that is ongoing, job-embedded, collaborative, student-centered and led by expert school-based instructors.

6. Online Certification
Online evaluator certification and annual recertification including two steps:
1. A full lesson observation, analysis and scoring
2. A series of video-based questions on the post-conferencing process

7. Data Systems
Performance data systems designed to manage and analyze teacher evaluation data as well as ensure interrater consistency using numerous real-time reports.

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With proven results and leadership in educator quality and reform, the National Institute for Excellence in Teaching’s (NIET) Best Practices Center provides schools, districts and states with **Service, Support and Solutions**—including direct training, data management systems, innovative tools and online resources.

“The portal has been extremely helpful with providing our staff with clear and concise rubrics for meeting high teacher expectations. The portal allows staff members to analyze standards and objectives for meeting teacher expectations in depth, and provides high-quality measurements for ensuring success.”

Danielle Sells-Frazier, Program Facilitator
McGavock Elementary School, Tennessee

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1. School, district or state administrators go to www.nietbestpractices.org.
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