Rubric for Evaluating Colorado Special Services Providers: School Speech-Language Pathologists

QUALITY STANDARD I

Special Services Providers demonstrate mastery of and expertise in the domain for which they are responsible.

Level 1 Practices	Level 2 Practices	Level 3 Practices (Meets State Standard)	Level 4 Practices	Level 5 Practices
	Services Providers prov Academic Standards, tl ts.			
 THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: 1 Is knowledgeable about current federal and state laws, local (i.e., district/ BOCES/AU) policies and procedures, and Colorado Academic Standards. 2 Implements current federal and state laws, local (i.e., district/BOCES/ AU) policies and procedures, and Colorado Academic Standards and procedures, and Colorado Academic Standards with support. 	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: 3 Ensures that recommendations and actions in personal practice support federal and state laws, local (i.e., district/ BOCES/AU) policies and procedures, and Colorado Academic Standards. 	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: Aligns specialized instruction with student learning objectives, district plan of instruction, and Colorado Academic Standards. Collaborates with teachers and other school staff to support adherence to federal and state laws, and local (i.e., district/ BOCES/AU) policies and procedures. 	 and SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S): Are informed that the student's educational services and instruction are guided by federal laws, state standards, and local policies. 	 and STUDENTS AND/OR SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S): Participate in developing and addressing individual goals to meet student's needs that are aligned with current federal laws, state standards, and local policies.

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ELEMENT B: Special and support learning.	Services Providers dem	nonstrate knowledge of	feffective services that	reduce barriers to
 THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: 1 Has knowledge of services that reduce barriers to and support learning. 2 Identifies potential learning barriers and ways to support learning. 	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: 3 Develops solutions to barriers that inhibit student learning. 	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: Provides specially designed instruction to teach students speech-language skills to support learning. 	 and SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S): 5 Are aware of speech-language skills and/or strategies to support student learning. 	 and STUDENTS: 6 Demonstrate knowledge, skills, and/or strategies across educational contexts.
	Services Providers dem esearch findings into th and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:		their professions and i and STUDENTS AND/OR SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S):	ntegrate evidence- and STUDENTS AND/OR SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S):
1 Is aware of	3 Identifies appropriate	5 Integrates evidence-based	7 Demonstrate an awareness of	 8 Access and utilize skills and strategies to

QUALITY STANDARD II Special Services Providers support or establish safe, inclusive, and respectful learning environments for a diverse population of students. Level 3 Practices Level 2 Practices Level 1 Practices **Level 4 Practices** Level 5 Practices (Meets State Standard) ELEMENT A: Special Services Providers foster a safe, accessible, and predictable learning environment characterized by acceptable student behavior and efficient use of time in which each student has a positive, nurturing relationship with caring adults and peers. ...and ...and ...and ...and THE SCHOOL **STUDENTS: STUDENTS:** THE SCHOOL THE SCHOOL SPEECH-SPEECH-SPEECH-9 Perceive the 10 Demonstrate LANGUAGE LANGUAGE LANGUAGE learning safe, engaged **PATHOLOGIST: PATHOLOGIST: PATHOLOGIST:** environment as behaviors within positive, safe, and the learning Recognizes the 3 Models empathy 6 Promotes a safe 1 caring. environment. importance of an and respect among and accessible educational students and environment that environment in significant adults. fosters positive, which students nurturing feel safe, 4 Structures support relationships. connected, and and/or services to experience a minimize 7 Delivers supports caring interruption of and/or services in relationship. instructional time. a way that maximizes 2 Recognizes the 5 Accesses resources learning time. importance of to support a safe, establishing accessible, and 8 Utilizes resources behavioral predictable learning to support a safe, expectations for environment and accessible, and all students. acceptable student predictable behavior. learning environment. ELEMENT B: Special Services Providers understand and respond to diversity within the home, school, and community. ...and ...and ...and ...and

THE SCHOOL	THE SCHOOL	THE SCHOOL	STUDENTS	STUDENTS
SPEECH-	SPEECH-	SPEECH-	AND/OR	AND/OR
LANGUAGE	LANGUAGE	LANGUAGE	SIGNIFICANT	SIGNIFICANT
PATHOLOGIST:	PATHOLOGIST:	PATHOLOGIST:	ADULT(S):	ADULT(S):
 Understands that student and family backgrounds, cultures, and experiences influence speech- language development and school performance. 	2 Considers student and family backgrounds, cultures, and experiences when planning speech- language services and communicating with the family.	3 Demonstrates responsiveness to backgrounds, cultures, and experiences to effectively work with and support students, families, and staff.	4 Recognize diversity among others and the influences of student and family backgrounds, cultures, and experiences.	

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significant adults.

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	l Services Providers appl s of intellectual, physical			
THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: 1 Understands typical speech- language development and how at minal	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: 3 Utilizes knowledge of developmental science to identify appropriate	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: 5 Collaborates with colleagues to support services that	 and STUDENTS AND/OR SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S): 6 Are aware of identified supports that address the odd/five identified 	and STUDENTS AND/OR SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S): 7 Utilize the identified supports in their educational environments to
 how atypical development affects learning. 2 Demonstrates an awareness of available resources and activities that support student needs. 	 instruction based on student needs. 4 Provides services that are developmentally appropriate based on students' intellectual, social, and emotional needs. 	environments.	student's unique needs.	meet their unique
ELEMENT B: Special delivery.	Services Providers utiliz	e formal and informal	assessments to inform	planning and service
THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE	and STUDENTS AND/OR SIGNIFICANT	and TEACHERS AND/OR ADMINISTRATORS
 PATHOLOGIST: 1 Conducts formal assessments (considering specificity and sensitivity) using standardized procedures. 2 Is aware of informal assessment techniques. 	 PATHOLOGIST: Uses a variety of assessment instruments and techniques (e.g., interviews, observations, and targeted/diagnostic assessment tools). Determines the presence and educational impact of speech or language 	 PATHOLOGIST: Collaborates with colleagues to make student-centered decisions based on the assessment data. Writes individual student goals aligned with academic standards and assessment results (formal and 	 ADULT(S): 9 Are aware of their role and responsibilities when using assessment data to make student-centered decisions. 	10 Recognize how the assessment data informs instruction related to listening, speaking, reading, and writing.

6 Writes student pla based on formal and/or informal assessment data.	ns		
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QUALITY STANDARD III

Special Services Providers plan and deliver effective services in an environment that facilitates learning for their students.

Level 1 Practices	Level 2 Practices	Level 3 Practices (Meets State Standard)	Level 4 Practices	Level 5 Practices
	Services Providers inte learning experiences.	grate and utilize appro	priate available technol	ogy to engage
THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and STUDENTS AND/OR SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S):	and STUDENTS AND/OR SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S):
 Explores a variety of available technology to facilitate specially designed instruction. Explores a variety of available resources and processes in their educational setting to access assistive technology to facilitate specially designed instruction. 	 3 Utilizes available resources to facilitate specially designed instruction. 4 Monitors and evaluates the use of technology or assistive technology in the learning environment. 	5 Collaborates with significant adults to facilitate student use of available assistive technology to engage in authentic learning.	6 Demonstrate awareness of how to access and utilize assistive technology supports.	7 Use and/or support available technology or assistive technology to facilitate student learning and communication.
			e high expectations and	use strategies to
THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	And self-advocacy. STUDENTS AND/OR SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S):	 and STUDENTS: 7 Demonstrate self advocacy, critical thinking, and
 Recognizes the importance of high expectations for learning for all students. 	 Actively participates on multidisciplinary teams. Holds high expectations for students when determining needs, services and educational placement. 	 4 Implements interventions (e.g., SDI, MTSS) that provide an appropriate level of challenge. 5 Provides opportunities for students to practice self- advocacy and/or problem solving during functional 	6 Are informed about strategies that promote critical-thinking, problem-solving, and self-advocacy at the student's individual developmental level.	problem-solving skills based on their individual developmental level.

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ELEMENT E: Special progress towards goa		elop and implement ser	vices related to studen	t needs, learning, and
 THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: 1 Understands the interconnectedness between assessment data (formal and informal) and the development of the IEP. 2 Designs individualized instruction that aligns with individual student goals, academic standards, and student assessment results. 	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: Implements individualized instruction that aligns with individual student goals, academic standards, and student assessment results. Integrates and applies assessment data into planning and service delivery. 	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: Monitors student progress and adapts intervention procedures, strategies, and materials to address student unique needs. Collaborates with colleagues in the development, implementation, and monitoring of services to address unique student needs. 	 and STUDENTS: Are aware of how to use the knowledge, intervention strategies, and/or skills in support of their goals. 	 and SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S): 8 Receive information on ways to integrate intervention strategies and skills to support student outcomes.
ELEMENT F: Special	Services Providers mod	lel and promote effectiv	ve communication.	
THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: 1 Listens effectively and allows time for responses and discussion.	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: Uses communication skills to establish good working relationships (rapport) with students and significant adults. Adjusts communication based on audience (e.g., student, parent, colleague). 	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: Provides opportunities for students to practice communication skills. Tailors communications to be both developmentally and culturally relevant. 	 and STUDENTS AND/OR SIGNIFICANT ADULT(S): 6 Are informed of a variety of strategies for supporting effective communication. 	 and STUDENTS: 7 Use effective communication strategies.

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ELEMENT A: Special	Services Providers dem	nonstrate high standard	s for ethical and profes	sional conduct.
 THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: Recognizes the importance of consistent professional conduct within the educational environment. Is familiar with American Speech- Language/Hearing Association (ASHA) Code of Ethics. 	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: Demonstrates skills related to ASHA Code of Ethics. Demonstrates consistent professional conduct with students and significant adults. 	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: Upholds ethical standards of practice as defined by the ASHA Code of Ethics and applicable state laws and regulations. Upholds high standards of professional conduct with students and significant adults. 	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: Models high expectations for ethical behavior for staff and students. Models high expectations related to professional conduct for significant adults. 	 and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST: 9 Recognizes and takes action to hold colleagues accountable for ethical behavior through positive, respected, and legal channels.
ELEMENT B: Special	Services Providers link	professional growth to	their professional goals	5.
THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:
 Completes required professional development according to state and/or district/BOCES policies. Develops professional goals. 	 3 Uses feedback from supervisor, colleague(s), and/or self-reflection to improve practice. 4 Develops a professional growth plan based on current research and the likelihood of having a positive impact on student, school, and district outcomes. 5 Selects and participates in professional development to improve professional practice. 	 6 Applies knowledge and skills learned through professional development to instructional decisions. 7 Establishes continuous improvement strategies, including seeking feedback from colleagues, parents, and/or supervisors, to identify and self- monitor professional growth. 	8 Demonstrates a growth mindset in all areas of professional practice.	9 Develops and follows a long- term professiona growth plan.

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ELEMENT C: Special	Services Providers resp	ond to a complex, dyna	amic environment.	
THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:
I Understands the complexity and dynamic nature of the learning environment.	2 Collaborates with colleagues to prioritize competing demands within their work environment.	3 Demonstrates flexibility, priority setting, and effective time management strategies.	4 Aligns priorities of student, teacher, and other significant adult(s), and makes adjustments to meet student's needs.	5 Is aware of and responds to changing conditions at the national, state, or local level in orde to provide effective services
ELEMENT D: Special and their profession.	l Services Providers dem	honstrate leadership an	d advocacy in the schoo	ol, the community,
THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:	and THE SCHOOL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGIST:
 Participates on school or district teams. 	 Maintains a positive, productive and respectful relationship with 	5 Discusses potential revisions to policies and/or procedures with	7 Advocates for curricular, instructional, and school climate improvements.	 Advocates for School Speech- Language Pathologist(s) inclusion in administrative decision-making