# 7.4 Makes links with community resources and learners' other environments to gather background information and foster student learning.

	learning	Basic (1.0 - 1.9)	Developing (2.0 - 2.9)	Proficient (3.0 - 3.9)	Advanced (4.0)
Community Resources	In Instruction	No evidence of use of community resources in teaching plans OR may use resources ineffectively as fillers, not connected to learning goals	Plans instruction that utilizes community resources to foster student learning in at least one lesson plan	Plans and implements instruction that utilizes community resources to foster student learning in more than one of the following ways:  1) uses a variety of different community resources  2) uses a variety of different strategies to incorporate community resources into the instructional program (e.g., volunteers, speakers, field trips, evaluators)  3) uses community resources across different curriculum areas (e.g., art, science)  4) uses community resourcers to meet the needs of specific students in the classroom	Meets criteria for "proficient" and demonstrates 'advanced" understanding and use of community resources by implementing all critieria in "proficient"
	Wrap Around Services	No evidence that s/he is aware of the roles of community agencies in the educational process and does not include these resources in planning programs to meet students' and families' special needs	Demonstrates (through interviews or class assignments) an understanding of the roles of community agencies and services in the educational process and can describe the process for including them in planning changes in students' programs to meet special needs, but no interaction/collaboration with agencies	Documents collaboration with appropriate community agency or service personnel to improve student's program	Meets criteria for "proficient" and develops and implements ongoing program with others in student's community to improve learning
School & District Resources		Does not seek information from classroom teacher (if a student teacher) or other school personnel about students' backgrounds, histories, and special needs before planning instruction	Seeks information from classroom teacher (if a student teacher) or other school personnel about students' backgrounds, histories, and special needs before planning instruction (but does not implement)	(if a student teacher) and other educators familiar with students concerning students' interests, lifestyles, etc., and incorporates into planning; implements and evaluates plans	Meets criteria for "proficient" and demonstrates advanced skills by working as an active member of a team with various school personnel, planning program changes for more than one student
School	Res	No evidence OR appears unaware of the roles of other building educators and cannot describe their roles in planning instruction which meets the needs of all students	Planning indicates s/he understands the roles of other building educators and can include them in planning instruction (demonstraed by inclusion of school/district resources in lesson plan)	Provides documentation of: 1) utilizing other building/district professionals to plan teaching activities or student interventions AND 2) involving students' other teachers in planning learning	

Note: Involvement with parents is addressed in other standards

## Operationalization/Criteria:

Guidelines for Admission to Education: Not evaluated at admission to education

Guidelines at Admission to Student Teaching: S/he meets developing criteria for dimension #1: plans instruction that utilizes community resources.

### **Examples of Evidence:**

Lesson plans, mini-TWS or unit, reflections of meetings attended

### **Guidelines for Program Completion/Student Teaching:**

- 1. Required for program completion are ratings of "proficient" on all dimensions of the standard.
- 2. Review materials in portfolio using the inventory criteria (above) and consult with the cooperating teacher (for student teachers) about nature and quality of interactions.
- 3. (Alternately) Have teacher complete an evaluation of his/her performance with other professionals in building.
- 4. The narrative for the Inventory should specify an example of a skill/observation that led to the rating, e.g.: Integrated engineers from the Department of Water into her TWS on ecology; worked with the school speech pathologist and social worker to implement accommodations for a student.

#### **Examples of Evidence:**

TWS (especially contextual analysis and rationale), lesson plans, unit plan, written plans detailing collaboration with agencies, IEP or other goals/written interventions, examples of communications with others to gain information or plan activities, examples of any written lessons or program changes resulting from collaboration, documentation of team meetings in which participated, log of participation, interview data with teacher and cooperating teacher (for student teachers)

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Wrap Around Services: <a href="http://ccep.air.org/wraparound/default.htm">http://ccsp.ucdavis.edu/</a>