CLASS®

Classroom Assessment Scoring System

What is CLASS?

The Classroom Scoring System (CLASS) is an evidence-based observational tool used to assess the effectiveness of teacher-child interactions in the classroom focusing on the following domains: Emotional Support, Classroom Organization, and Instructional Support. Research supports that quality interactions between adults and children promote children's social and cognitive development, helping them thrive in their learning environments. Classrooms that have received high CLASS scores are proven to support greater learning gains in language, math and early literacy development.

Why is it being used in my child's classroom?

In accordance with Florida State Statute 1002.68 (2) each VPK classroom is required to participate in a program assessment. The Classroom Assessment Scoring System (CLASS) is the identified tool for VPK program assessment.

Who will be conducting these observations?

All observers have a current certification achieved by completing and passing all trainings and assessments required by Teachstone to conduct a CLASS observation with validity and fidelity.

Will my child's personal data be collected?

No. CLASS observers will only score teacher-child interactions based on the indicators that support each domain being observed.

When will these CLASS observations occur?

A window for observation should be agreed upon by the observer, the provider and the teacher, and should consider classroom schedules.

You can learn more about the CLASS observational tool by visiting www.teachstone.com.

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