## **CEHD** Assessment on Diversity for Initial Certification Candidates

*Purpose of Instrument:* The purpose of this instrument is to assess candidates on their understanding of P-12 student learning differences and classroom environments as well as candidates' ability to plan and implement strategies to meet the learning and development needs of all learners.

*Criterion for Success*: Candidates are expected to score at the developing level or higher.

Competency	Insufficient Evidence	Developing	Target	Exemplary
Diversity: Learning Development	The candidate was ineffective in his/her understanding of how learners grow and develop.	The candidate recognized differences in how students learn and develop.	The candidate demonstrated an understanding of how students' learning and development vary and demonstrated an understanding of why variation occurs.	The candidate demonstrated an understanding and recognized patterns of learning and development and how these vary individually within and across all of the following categories: the cognitive, linguistic, social, emotional, and physical domains.
Diversity: Learning Differences	The candidate was ineffective in recognition of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities.	The candidate recognized how individual differences and diverse cultures and communities can play a role in the classroom.	The candidate demonstrated an understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities and how it can impact student learning. The candidate implemented some strategies in planning for the classroom.	The candidate demonstrated an understanding of individual differences and diverse cultures and communities and how these learning differences can impact students' learning. The candidate designed and implemented strategies to reflect his/her understanding of the learning differences of students from diverse backgrounds.
Diversity: Attitudes and	The candidate demonstrated	The candidate demonstrated	The candidate	The candidate
Beliefs	a strong need for improvement in their	an understanding, through attitudes and beliefs, respect	demonstrated, through attitude, beliefs and	demonstrated, through attitude, beliefs and
	attitude and beliefs	for diverse students, respect	communication, a respect	communication, a respect
	regarding diverse students,	cultures and communities.	for students' home cultures	for students' home cultures

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communities.	candidate displayed a	candidate displayed a
	positive rapport regarding	positive rapport regarding
	diversity and demonstrated	diversity with peers and
	a belief that students from	their instructor(s) in their
	all backgrounds have ability	courses. The candidate
	to learn.	demonstrated in his/her
		beliefs that all learners from
		all backgrounds have the
		ability to achieve at high
		levels.