Teacher Effectiveness in NYC

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Expect Success in NYC Classrooms

Provide every student with access to a quality education

 Expect Success from all of our students by setting high expectations, providing support, and continually striving towards excellence

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The Impact of Teachers

 Great teaching is the key to a great education. Parents and students know this from experience, and decades of research have confirmed that when teachers succeed, students succeed too.

 The unlimited potential of our
students is interconnected with the unlimited potential of our teachers.





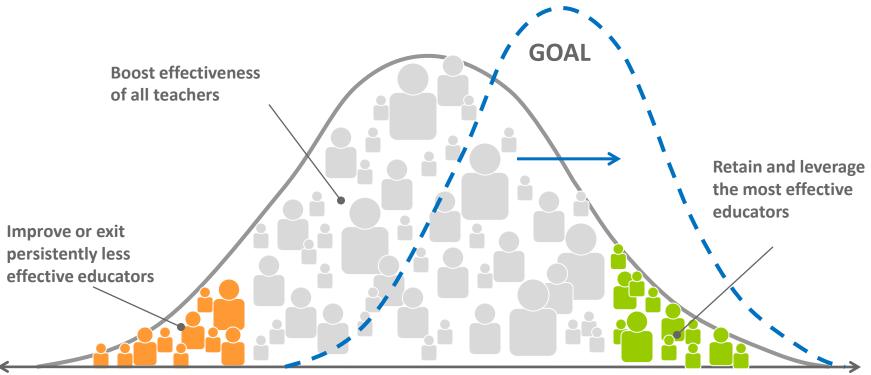
NYC's Teacher Effectiveness Initiatives Focus on These Practices

- Frequent classroom observations coupled with timely, useful feedback focused on improving student learning
- Regular conversations between school leaders and teachers about each teacher's ongoing development and impact on student learning
- Ongoing professional development to support each teacher's growth
- Helping school leaders to fairly and accurately assess teachers' practice to make fair, informed decisions as they build effective instructional teams





Our Vision: An Effective Teacher in Every Classroom for Every Student



Teacher Effectiveness (Student Outcomes, Instructional Practice)

To achieve this vision, we must have an accurate understanding of which teachers are in which performance group.

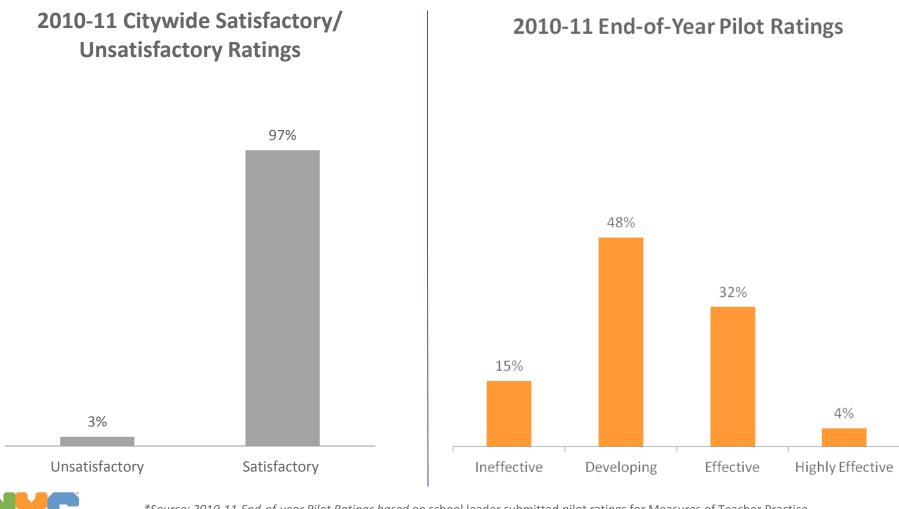


The Teacher Effectiveness Program





NYCDOE's pilot work produced a meaningful distribution of teacher ratings – the critical first step to appropriately recognize and develop our teachers.





*Source: 2010-11 End-of-year Pilot Ratings based on school leader submitted pilot ratings for Measures of Teacher Practice and Measures of Student Learning.

Teacher agreement with end-of-year survey questions

- ✓ All teachers should be observed regularly throughout the year
- All teachers should receive feedback in their teaching throughout the year
- ✓ All teachers should have their own individualized learning/development plans with clearly outlined goals
- Multiple measures of student learning should be included as a significant part of teacher evaluation and development system





*Source: End-of-year Teacher Effectiveness Pilot teacher survey.

School leader agreement that the pilot model is better than the existing Satisfactory / Unsatisfactory (S/U) system – for schools, teachers, and students

School Leader Agreement to Pilot Survey Questions

- Produced results that are aligned with student outcomes
- ✓ Allows me to recognize exemplary performance
- ✓ Helps Teachers improve their instructional performance by providing specific and useful feedback

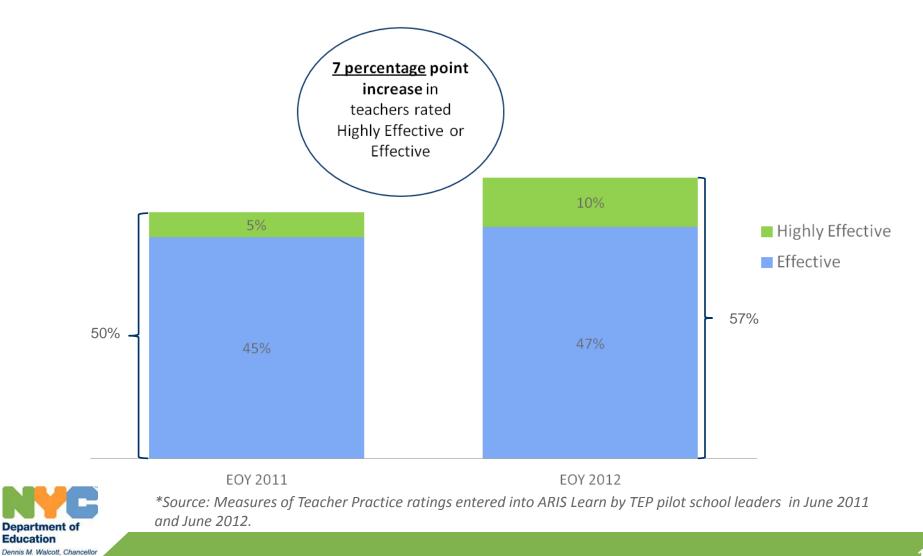




*Source: End-of-year Teacher Effectiveness Pilot school leader survey.

The pilot has led to improvements in teacher practice.

End of Year Teacher Practice Ratings, Two-Year Participants



What's Next

- NYCDOE and the United Federation of Teachers (UFT) are currently negotiating the details of a new teacher evaluation and development system, and anticipate that it will be implemented in the 2013-14 school year.
- The DOE will soon launch a public website that includes more information about Teacher Effectiveness initiatives underway. This site will be updated with more information about the new evaluation system after it has been negotiated with the UFT.

