

# **Rubric Portfolio Evaluation Middle School Social Studies**

Developed by educators in Milwaukee's public schools and successfully used with over 15,000 students, this book will show you how to: - engage your students in high quality work - reveal information about your students which cannot be seen through standardized tests - help students become responsible for their own academic growth. The tasks and rubrics in this book will help you

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discover the strengths and learning needs of your students. With concrete, detailed examples from Kindergarten through 5th grade, this book demonstrates how to implement assessment portfolios in your classroom. Part I provides concrete details about how to organize, implement, and maintain assessment portfolios throughout the school year. In Part II are assessments in reading, writing, and math - featuring class tested scoring rubrics and samples of student work. Also included are learning projects, rich classroom activities requiring high quality

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intellectual work. Part III contains student handouts and scoring sheets, ready for you to distribute and use with the students in your class.

The latest edition of Pamela Farris's popular, value-priced text continues to offer pre- and in-service teachers creative strategies and proven techniques sensitive to the needs of all elementary and middle school learners.

Coverage includes the C3 Framework and the four sets of learning from the National Curriculum Standards for Social Studies. Farris, together with contributors who specialize in

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implementing successful teaching methods and theories, demonstrate how classroom teachers can excite and inspire their students to be engaged learners.

Student-Centered Physical Education presents over 100 fun physical activities that not only promote student fitness and skill development but also build the foundation for a physically active life. The authors' modular approach allows teachers to mix and match activities in order to achieve specific goals, creating multiple opportunities within each class period for students to succeed. Authors Timothy Smith

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and Nicholas Cestaro, who together have more than 50 years of teaching experience, have developed a student-centered approach to physical education to replace the outdated, subject-driven approach. By focusing on the needs of the preadolescent student rather than on sports or calisthenics, this proven program challenges exclusivity, boredom, and gender bias. Their strategies and activities make physical education relevant to your students and motivate them to participate in physical activity, both in the gym and after school. Part I, "A Student-

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Centered Modular Approach," helps you develop and organize your classes. You'll learn how to assemble modular lesson plans and how to increase their effectiveness using the teaching strategies presented. You'll also find a chapter on authentic assessment, which discusses the use of rubrics, portfolios, and portfolio cards. Next, Part II, "Teaching Modules," provides you with easy-to-follow, step-by-step directions for more than 100 fitness-related activities, including -warm-ups, -skill development activities, -team-oriented activities, and -individual and paired activities.

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Each activity is ready to be inserted into the modular lesson format presented in Part I. In addition, you'll find 10 detailed health-fitness modules-one for each month of the school year-that will help you present and reinforce key lifestyle concepts in addition to the "physical" components of physical education.

In this book, author Allan A. De Fina invites teachers, students and parents into the portfolio process, which offers many opportunities to assess a student's performance and growth over time. You'll read a brief background and a working

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definition of the process, as well as learn how portfolios can be effectively used in any and every classroom. You'll find practical suggestions for getting started, pointers on how to manage the process, and a look at the benefits of portfolio assessment.

Standards-based Activities with Scoring Rubrics: Performance-based portfolios

Getting Started

Student Portfolios

Teaching Secondary and Middle School Mathematics

A Study of Assessment, Instruction, and Middle School Reform



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An Interdisciplinary,  
Multicultural Approach, Seventh  
Edition

*This volume presents chapters by researchers, practitioners, and policymakers who study the impact of classroom portfolios in the assessment of writing achievement by elementary and middle grade students. The focus throughout the volume is on the tension between classroom assessment and externally mandated testing. It presents the efforts of researchers, practitioners, and policymakers to understand the impact of classroom portfolios for the assessment of writing achievement by elementary and middle grade students. Under the auspices of the Center for the Study of Writing, the editors conducted a national survey of exemplary portfolio*

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*projects, arranged for a series of "video visits," and held several working conferences. The result of this work is a broad-ranging tale: the aspirations of teachers and administrators to move the machinery of schooling in the direction of more authentic and engaging tasks, the puzzlement of students when they realize that the assignments are real and that the teacher may not have a "right answer" in mind, and the tensions between ivory-tower ideas and everyday classroom practice. Divided into four sections, this research volume: \* provides a historical perspective, develops the conceptual framework that serves as a background for many activities described throughout, and discusses numerous practical issues that confront today's researchers and practitioners; \**

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*views the phenomenon of writing portfolios through a variety of broadview lenses such as teacher enthusiasm, student reflection, assessment tension, the portfolio as metaphor, and the locus of control; \* conveys important conceptual issues with a balance toward pragmatics; and \* offers unique insights from the perspective of one individual who serves as scholar, researcher, and teacher. This new edition retains the appeal, clarity and practicality that made the first so successful, and continues to provide a fundamental introduction to the principles and purposes of rubrics, with guidance on how to construct them, use them to align course content to learning outcomes, and apply them in a wide variety of courses, and to all forms*

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*of assignment. Reflecting developments since publication of the first edition, the authors have extended coverage to include: \* Expanded discussion on use of rubrics for grading \* Grading on-line with rubrics \* Wider coverage of rubric types (e.g., holistic, rating scales) \* Rubric construction in student affairs \* Pros and cons of working with "ready-made" rubrics \* Using rubrics to improve your teaching, and for SoTL \* Use of rubrics in program assessment (case study) \* Application of rubrics in the arts, for study abroad, service learning and students' independent learning \* Updated literature review*

*"This wonderfully compact introduction to rubrics will serve higher education teachers well [and] when departments or groups of faculty use rubrics as*

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*described in this book, they will indeed achieve the 'academic currency' sought today in higher education." -- Amy Driscoll, director of Teaching, Learning and Assessment CSU, Monterey Bay.*

*You need rubrics if:\**

- \* You find yourself repeating the same comments on most student papers\**
- \* You worry that you're grading the latest papers differently from the first\**
- \* You're concerned about communicating the complexity of a semester-long assignment\**
- \* You question the consistency of your and your colleagues' grading scales \**
- \* Grading is taking up far too much of your valuable time*

*Research shows that rubrics save professors' time while conveying meaningful and timely feedback for students, and promoting self-regulated and independent learning. The reason*

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*rubrics are little used in higher education is that few faculty members have been exposed to their use. At its most basic a rubric is a scoring tool that divides an assignment into its component parts and objectives, and provides a detailed description of what constitutes acceptable and unacceptable levels of performance for each part. Rubrics can be used to grade any assignment or task: research papers, book reviews, participation in discussions, laboratory work, portfolios, oral presentations, group work, and more. This book defines what rubrics are, and how to construct and use them. It provides a complete introduction for anyone starting out to integrate rubrics in their teaching. The authors go on to describe a variety of processes to construct rubrics, including*

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*some which involve student participation.*

*They demonstrate how interactive rubrics -- a process involving assessors and the assessed in defining the criteria for an assignment or objective -- can be effective, not only in involving students more actively in their learning, but in establishing consistent standards of assessment at the program, department and campus level. "A valuable resource for the new user in a content discipline and belongs in every faculty developer's library." -- Edward Nuhfer, Director, Center for Teaching and Learning, Idaho State University*

*This book provides teachers, instructors, scholars, and administrators with a practical guide to implement portfolio assessment of writing in their work contexts. Unlike most existing volumes,*

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*which underscore theory building, it describes and discusses several key issues concerning how portfolio assessment can be carried out in authentic classrooms with a focus on its processes, reflective components, task types and design, scoring methods and actionable recommendations.*

*English Teacher's Guide to Performance Tasks and Rubrics*

*Research and Evaluation in Education and Psychology*

*Writing Portfolios in the Classroom*

*Developing Portfolios for Authentic Assessment, PreK-3*

*The Science and Design of Educational Assessment*

*Policy and Practice, Promise and Peril*

**This book shows middle and high school teachers**



**in differentiated classrooms how to integrate assessment into the teaching and learning process. With examples from real classrooms, this book demonstrates how to use a wide variety of assessment to better address the needs of your students with regard to their learning style, level of cognitive ability, skill level, interests, etc. Included are detailed examples of both formative and summative**

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**assessments.**

**Whether you're already familiar with rubrics or not, this book is a complete resource for writing rubrics that assist with learning as well as assess it. Plus, you'll learn how to wisely select from among the many rubrics available for classroom use.**

**Portfolios: Teaching, learning, and assessment at its best! Portfolios are receiving acclamation from research and literary**

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**sources as an accurate and meaningful authentic assessment tool.**

**Students become actively engaged in assessment through the portfolio process by reflecting on their own learning to monitor progress and set goals for improvement.**

**Student Portfolios: A Learning Tool is designed to provide teachers from kindergarten to grade 12 with a practical handbook to implement portfolios at the classroom, school, and**

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**district-wide levels. It is unique in that it demonstrates how to expand the portfolio process at the elementary, middle school, and junior secondary levels to align with existing graduation portfolio programs. Topics include:- Assessment and the Portfolio Process- Portfolios as an Authentic Assessment Tool- Key Elements of the Portfolio Process- Instructional Strategies and Applications-**

**Expanding the Portfolio Process - Integrating Learning Outcomes, Thinking Skills, and Graduation Portfolio Subjects- Portfolio Language and Framework- Developing Scope and Sequence Charts- Sharing the Portfolio**  
This book serves as a valuable resource to guide teachers from the first activity of introducing portfolios to students, all the way through to the self-reflection and sharing stages. Novice and experienced

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**educators of portfolios  
will optimize the  
teaching and learning  
process with the  
following user-friendly  
materials: - planning  
forms to assist teachers  
in decisions relating to  
portfolio  
implementation-  
blackline masters for  
classroom use-  
instructional strategies  
to guide lesson planning  
for each stage of the  
portfolio process-  
informative and  
practical web sites to  
support teaching and**

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**learning- checklists and rubrics to guide student learning and achievement- student and teacher thoughts and insights- student examples of self-reflections and goal setting- photos of students and teachers working on portfolios - parent response samples- references that reflect current research and brain-based learning theories and principlesExperience the many learning opportunities and**

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**benefits that portfolios offer!**

**"As a new teacher, I am always looking for ideas that will make me feel more confident. Using a portfolio will help me show evidence that the students are making progress toward meeting state**

**standards."-Stephanie Jones, TeacherForrest City High School, AR"**  
**A good overview of the entire portfolio process, from its philosophical foundations to the**



**celebration of student achievement."-Michael F. Dwyer, English Department Chair Otter Valley Union High School, Brandon, VT Encourage student creativity and academic growth through portfolios and authentic assessment! Research and practice show that portfolios are powerful tools for assessing students authentically, communicating with parents about the learning process, and helping learners across**

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all grade levels and content areas record their successes and take ownership of their learning. The third edition of The Portfolio Connection offers practical advice and reader-friendly strategies for implementing student portfolios in the classroom. Through step-by-step procedures, the authors help teachers incorporate standards into the portfolio process by providing expanded checklists and

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rubrics to monitor student progress. The updated edition also includes: Additional information on e-portfolios and integrating technology Steps for conducting student-led conferences Portfolio examples for children with special needs Guidance on increasing parent involvement Information on the impact of NCLB on student assessment Discover how you can use portfolios

**to heighten students'  
self-reflection while  
expanding their critical  
and creative thinking  
skills.**

**From Standards to  
Rubrics in Six Steps  
Resources in Education  
Developing Portfolios in  
Education**

**Designing Assessment for  
Mathematics**

**Professional Portfolios  
for Educators**

**Your Science Classroom**

***The National Science Education  
Standards address not only what  
students should learn about  
science but also how their learning***

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***should be assessed. How do we know what they know? This accompanying volume to the Standards focuses on a key kind of assessment: the evaluation that occurs regularly in the classroom, by the teacher and his or her students as interacting participants. As students conduct experiments, for example, the teacher circulates around the room and asks individuals about their findings, using the feedback to adjust lessons plans and take other actions to boost learning. Focusing on the teacher as the primary player in assessment, the book offers assessment guidelines and explores how they can be adapted to the individual classroom. It features examples, definitions, illustrative vignettes, and practical***

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***suggestions to help teachers obtain the greatest benefit from this daily evaluation and tailoring process.***

***The volume discusses how classroom assessment differs from conventional testing and grading- and how it fits into the larger, comprehensive assessment system.***

***Performance-Based Assessment for Middle and High School Physical Education, Second Edition, breaks down the complex topic of assessments and shows you how to develop assessments that will help you and your students work together to enhance the instructional process in physical education. The authors describe the various types of performance-based assessments and show how to integrate assessments into fitness***

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***education and physical education, using numerous models that can be adapted to your own situation. The authors provide a wealth of tools for assessing students according to local, state, and NASPE standards while helping students reach their goals. The text is supported by a Web site that includes a test package, a presentation package with PowerPoint slides, an instructor guide, and a CD-ROM that includes additional forms and assessments.***

***Teaching Science in Elementary and Middle School offers in-depth information about the fundamental features of project-based science and strategies for implementing the approach. In project-based science classrooms students investigate, use technology, develop artifacts,***

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***collaborate, and make products to show what they have learned. Paralleling what scientists do, project-based science represents the essence of inquiry and the nature of science. Because project-based science is a method aligned with what is known about how to help all children learn science, it not only helps students learn science more thoroughly and deeply, it also helps them experience the joy of doing science. Project-based science embodies the principles in A Framework for K-12 Science Education and the Next Generation Science Standards. Blending principles of learning and motivation with practical teaching ideas, this text shows how project-based learning is related to ideas in the Framework and provides***



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**concrete strategies for meeting its goals. Features include long-term, interdisciplinary, student-centered lessons; scenarios; learning activities, and "Connecting to Framework for K–12 Science Education" textboxes. More concise than previous editions, the Fourth Edition offers a wealth of supplementary material on a new Companion Website, including many videos showing a teacher and class in a project environment. Performance-Based Assessment for Middle and High School Physical Education is a cutting-edge book that teachers trust for assessing middle school and high school physical education students. Also a highly popular undergraduate text for courses that focus on performance-based assessment,**

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***this new third edition features significant additions, enhancements, and updates: New chapters on effective management and instruction delivery, which make it appropriate for PETE instructors using the book for secondary methods courses A new chapter on assessments with various instructional models, including Sport Education, Teaching Games for Understanding, Cooperative Learning, Personalized System of Instruction, and Teaching Personal and Social Responsibility A new chapter on assessing dance (with sample dance units in the web resource) A new sample unit on ultimate Frisbee in the chapter on invasion games An expanded section on cognitive assessments, with suggestions for writing tests***

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***Updated content on rubrics Performance-Based Assessment shows readers how to use portfolios to assess fitness, and it offers an example of a portfolio assessment for a high school fitness course. It also guides readers in using skill tests in physical education. Written by two authors with a combined 26 years of experience teaching physical education in public schools, the text discusses various assessment formats, helping PETE students and in-service teachers know both what to assess and how to assess it. Readers learn how to develop culminating and progressive assessments, as well as plan for continuous performance-based assessments and acquire effective teaching strategies for standards-***

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***based instruction. All content is aligned with current SHAPE America national standards and is supported by research from educational assessment giants such as Tom Guskey, Richard Stiggins, Dylan William, Robert Marzano, and James Popham. The book is organized into four parts, with part I introducing readers to performance-based assessment issues such as the need for change in the assessment process, how assessments can be used to enhance learning, the various assessment domains and methods, and the use of rubrics in assessments. Part II explores aspects of managing and implementing physical education lessons. In part III, readers learn about the components of***

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***performance-based assessment, and in part IV, they delve into issues affecting grading and implementing continuous performance-based assessment. This groundbreaking text explains the theory behind assessment and, through its numerous models, shows how to apply that theory in practice. The text is filled with practical examples, much more so than the typical assessment book. And it is supplemented by a web resource that houses forms, charts, and other material for instructors to use in their performance-based assessments. Class size, skill levels, and time factors can make assessments difficult—but far from impossible. The examples in the book are meant to be modified as needed, with the ideas in the book***

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***used as starting points. Teachers can use the material, examples, and tools in this book to create assessments that enhance student learning, providing them feedback to let them know what they have accomplished and how they can work toward goals of greater competence.***

***Strategies for Developing Middle School Fitness and Skills  
Student-centered Physical Education***

***A Learning Tool***

***21st Century Education: A Reference Handbook***

***A Guide to Reflection, Inquiry, and Assessment***

***Portfolio Assessment***

This book provides step-by-step procedures, student hand-outs, and samples of

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Your Science Classroom:  
Becoming an Elementary /  
Middle School Science  
Teacher, by authors M.  
Jenice "Dee" Goldston and  
Laura Downey, is a core  
teaching methods textbook  
for use in elementary and  
middle school science  
methods courses. Designed  
around a practical,  
"practice-what-you-teach"  
approach to methods  
instruction, the text is  
based on current  
constructivist philosophy,  
organized around 5E inquiry,  
and guided by the National  
Science Education Teaching  
Standards.

The Portfolio

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Connection Student Work  
Linked to Standards Corwin  
Press

Written for early childhood  
educators, this guide  
provides rubrics, samples,  
reproducibles, and easy-to-  
understand procedures for  
developing fun, effective  
student assessment  
portfolios and integrating  
assessment and instruction.

Performance-based Assessment  
for Middle and High School  
Physical Education

Middle School  
The Portfolio Project  
Milestone Classroom  
Assessment

Teaching Middle School  
Physical Education

*Assessments, understood as tools*



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*for tracking what and how well students have learned, play a critical role in the classroom. Developing Assessments for the Next Generation Science Standards develops an approach to science assessment to meet the vision of science education for the future as it has been elaborated in A Framework for K-12 Science Education (Framework) and Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS). These documents are brand new and the changes they call for are barely under way, but the new assessments will be needed as soon as states and districts begin the process of implementing the NGSS and changing their approach to*

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*science education. The new Framework and the NGSS are designed to guide educators in significantly altering the way K-12 science is taught. The Framework is aimed at making science education more closely resemble the way scientists actually work and think, and making instruction reflect research on learning that demonstrates the importance of building coherent understandings over time. It structures science education around three dimensions - the practices through which scientists and engineers do their work, the key crosscutting concepts that cut across disciplines, and the core ideas of the disciplines - and*

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*argues that they should be interwoven in every aspect of science education, building in sophistication as students progress through grades K-12. Developing Assessments for the Next Generation Science Standards recommends strategies for developing assessments that yield valid measures of student proficiency in science as described in the new Framework. This report reviews recent and current work in science assessment to determine which aspects of the Framework's vision can be assessed with available techniques and what additional research and development will be needed to support an assessment*

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*system that fully meets that vision. The report offers a systems approach to science assessment, in which a range of assessment strategies are designed to answer different kinds of questions with appropriate degrees of specificity and provide results that complement one another.*

*Developing Assessments for the Next Generation Science Standards makes the case that a science assessment system that meets the Framework's vision should consist of assessments designed to support classroom instruction, assessments designed to monitor science learning on a broader scale, and indicators designed to track opportunity to*

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*learn. New standards for science education make clear that new modes of assessment designed to measure the integrated learning they promote are essential. The recommendations of this report will be key to making sure that the dramatic changes in curriculum and instruction signaled by Framework and the NGSS reduce inequities in science education and raise the level of science education for all students. This updated edition provides strategies for deepening students' understanding of math concepts, involving students in standards-based rubric development, and using rubric data to improve instruction.*

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*Explains the many types of portfolios, their different uses, and the practical issues surrounding storage and ownership.*

*A comprehensive assessment system for working with underperforming students This book describes a comprehensive assessment system especially appropriate for multilingual and "differentiated" classrooms with large numbers of underperforming students.*

*Drawing from Multiple Intelligences theory, the approach is specifically aimed at helping teachers understand how each student learns and how best to tailor instruction to serve*

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*individual students' needs.  
Although the program makes use  
of conventional standardized tests  
and disability screenings, it places  
special importance on two  
approaches in particular: Student  
Portfolio Assessments and  
Personalized Learning Profiles.  
Provides detailed guidance and  
practical tools (including a DVD)  
for implementing successful  
portfolio and "profile" practices in  
the classroom Includes real-world  
examples of model assessment  
programs from five schools  
Explains how to integrate  
assessment into the instructional  
process as well as how the  
portfolio program can be used  
Formal profiles provide vital*

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*information about each student's cultural background, interests, strengths, and capabilities as well as their individual learning and language needs.*

*Capturing the Wisdom of Practice Teaching Science in Elementary and Middle School*

*Portfolios Matter*

*An Assessment Tool to Save Grading Time, Convey Effective Feedback, and Promote Student Learning*

*Becoming an Elementary / Middle School Science Teacher*

*An Introduction to Using Portfolios in the Classroom*

*Developing Portfolios in Education: A Guide to Reflection, Inquiry, and Assessment,*



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Second Edition takes preservice and inservice teachers through the process of developing a professional portfolio. It is designed to teach readers how traditional and electronic portfolios are defined, organized, and evaluated. The text also helps teachers to use their portfolios as an action research tool for reflection and professional development. Covering different types of assessment and suggesting ways of fitting assessment into a busy schedule, this resource shows teachers how to use portfolios, rubrics, observations, self-evaluation, conversation,

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journals, and learning logs to assess students' learning.

Includes blank forms.

Consumable.

A comprehensive introduction to middle school teaching, this textbook focuses explicitly on instructional strategies that encourage adolescents to become active participants in their own learning within a world of accountability and standardized testing. The author, an experienced middle school teacher and teacher educator, takes a constructivist approach to teaching that considers the whole child, including the emotional, psychological, social,

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and cultural variables uniquely associated with adolescence.

The text examines the full range of middle school topics, from the development and diversity of middle school learners, to the structures, curriculum, and management of the classroom itself. Special features include: "Empowering Middle School Students to Take Ownership of their Learning," "Teaching Scenario," "Key Points," and "Creating an Anti-Oppressive Atmosphere in Your Classroom" textboxes help teachers gain a clearer understanding of content presented and encourage them to become reflective

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practitioners. Callouts throughout explicitly link chapter content to NMSA standards. Discussion of the unique challenges of actively engaging bilingual students, special needs students, and students exhibiting antisocial behavior. Accounts about middle school students illustrate the ways adolescents think about school and learning. A chapter that focuses on ways teachers can apply the general teaching strategies to specific subject areas. Sample Lesson Plans, Focus Questions, Chapter Summaries, Journal Entries, and Student Activities/Assignments are included throughout to

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encourage readers to actively participate with the text.

This text describes how to create a programme that addresses the specific needs and capabilities of middle school students, while helping them through the transition from childhood to young adulthood. This edition is fully updated and revised.

Classroom Assessment and the National Science Education Standards

Assessment Portfolios for Elementary Students

The Portfolio Connection

Differentiated Assessment for Middle and High School Classrooms

Classrooms

## How to Create and Use Rubrics for Formative Assessment and Grading

### Student Work Linked to Standards

**Via 100 entries or 'mini-chapters,' the SAGE 21st Century Reference Series volumes on Education will highlight the most important topics, issues, questions, and debates any student obtaining a degree in the field of education ought to have mastered for effectiveness in the 21st Century.**

**Using excerpts from actual portfolios, explains what professional portfolios consist of, who their audiences are, why teachers and administrators should use them, and how they are structured. Portfolios Matter provides teachers with everything they need to set up a portfolio system and use it to inform**

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**instruction and assessment in a balanced learning program. From laying the groundwork to deciding what to put in a portfolio to sharing portfolios through conferencing, this book will help new and experienced teachers on their journey towards creating successful learners. More valuable than a simple report card, portfolios are living documents that provide a useful record students can take with them through their school years. Includes everything teachers need to set up a portfolio system and use it to inform instruction and assessment in a balanced learning program. Updated to align with the American Psychological Association and the National Council of Accreditation of Teacher Education accreditation requirements. Focused on increasing the credibility of research and evaluation,**

**the Fifth Edition of Research and Evaluation in Education and Psychology: Integrating Diversity with Quantitative, Qualitative, and Mixed Methods incorporates the viewpoints of various research paradigms into its descriptions of these methods. Students will learn to identify, evaluate, and practice good research, with special emphasis on conducting research in culturally complex communities, based on the perspectives of women, LGBTQ communities, ethnic/racial minorities, and people with disabilities. In each chapter, Dr. Donna M. Mertens carefully explains a step of the research process—from the literature review to analysis and reporting—and includes a sample study and abstract to illustrate the concepts discussed. The new edition includes over 30 new research studies and contemporary examples to**



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**demonstrate research methods including: Black girls and school discipline: The complexities of being overrepresented and understudied (Annamma, S.A., Anyon, Y., Joseph, N.M., Farrar, J., Greer, E., Downing, B., & Simmons, J.) Learning Cooperatively under Challenging Circumstances: Cooperation among Students in High-Risk Contexts in El Salvador (Christine Schmalenbach) Replicated Evidence of Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Disability Identification in U.S. Schools (Morgan, et. al.) Relation of white-matter microstructure to reading ability and disability in beginning readers (Christodoulou, et. al.) Arts and mixed methods research: an innovative methodological merger (Archibald, M.M. & Gerber, N.) Performance-Based Assessment for**

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**Middle and High School Physical  
Education**

**Performance and Portfolio Assessment  
for Language Minority Students  
Integrating Diversity With  
Quantitative, Qualitative, and Mixed  
Methods**

**Introduction to Rubrics**

**Professional and Student Portfolios for  
Physical Education**

**How to Assess the Learning Potential of  
Every Student (Grades 6-12)**

Serve up parent, teacher,  
and student satisfaction  
with this recipe for  
blending two ingredients  
of success: portfolios and  
student-led conferences.  
Featuring a comprehensive  
six-step process for  
moving from standards to

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rubrics, this updated bestseller helps teachers build tasks, checklists, and rubrics; differentiate for special needs; and more.

Teaching Secondary and Middle School Mathematics combines the latest developments in research, standards, and technology with a vibrant writing style to help teachers prepare for the excitement and challenges of teaching secondary and middle school mathematics today. In the fully revised fifth edition, scholar and mathematics educator

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Daniel Brahier invites teachers to investigate the nature of the mathematics curriculum and reflect on research-based "best practices" as they define and sharpen their own personal teaching styles. The fifth edition has been updated and expanded with a particular emphasis on the continued impact of the Common Core State Standards for Mathematics and NCTM's just-released Principles to Actions, as well as increased attention to teaching with technology, classroom management, and

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differentiated instruction. Features include: A full new Chapter 7 on selection and use of specific tools and technology combined with "Spotlight on Technology" features throughout clearly illustrate the practical aspects of how technology can be used for teaching or professional development. Foundational Chapters 1 and 2 on the practices and principles of mathematics education have been revised to build directly on Common Core State Standards for Mathematics and Principles

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to Actions, with additional references to both documents throughout all chapters. A new Chapter 4 focuses on the use of standards in writing objectives and organizing lesson plan resources while an updated Chapter 5 details each step of the lesson planning process. A fully revised Chapter 12 provides new information on teaching diverse populations and outlines specific details and suggestions for classroom management for mathematics teachers. Classroom

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Dialogues" features draws on the author's 35-year experience as an educator to present real-world teacher-student conversations about specific mathematical problems or ideas "How Would You React?" features prepares future teachers for real-life scenarios by engaging them in common classroom situations and offering tried-and-true solutions. With more than 60 practical, classroom-tested teaching ideas, sample lesson and activities, Teaching Secondary and Middle

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School Mathematics combines the best of theory and practice to provide clear descriptions of what it takes to be an effective teacher of mathematics.

This book is a study, in research-based narrative form, of one middle school's implementation of a new portfolio assessment plan in response to statewide policy changes in California. The book highlights the interactions of state, district, and local forces as teachers work to implement a portfolio-



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assessment plan that collects student work and evaluates it systematically. It examines a portfolio-assessment project that views student work through three progressive lenses: warm, value free; cool, analytical; and hard, critical. The plot of the book traverses a 15-year period in California during which assessment drove instruction across the state, often in unexamined and contradictory ways, always in powerful ways. The book traces the ebb and flow of

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a variety of assessment philosophies located in living rooms, classrooms, principals' offices, district headquarters, and in downtown Sacramento (the state capital)--a variety of philosophies coming and going that left behind fixed, predictable histories of conflict in classrooms. Its story appears to have parallels in the recent history of schools all over the United States. Chapters in the book are: (1) "Washers, Dryers, and School Reformers"; (2) "The Portfolio-Assessment

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System as an Innovation at  
Charles Ruff"; (3)

"Portfolios in Review";

(4) "The Seeds of Change  
in California, 1983-1994";

(5) "Ruff Unified School  
District"; (6) "Inside the  
Middle (School)"; (7)

"Ruff Instruction"; (8)

"Ruff Students and Their  
Portfolios"; and (9)

"Conclusions and  
Implications." Contains an  
Epilogue, an Appendix  
giving the research  
method, and an extensive  
list of works cited. (NKA)  
What, Where, When, why and  
how to Use Them

Student-Led Conferencing

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Using Showcase Portfolios  
Differentiated Assessment  
Developing Assessments for  
the Next Generation

Science Standards  
Elementary and Middle  
School Social Studies

A Project-Based Approach

*The second edition of Professional  
and Student Portfolios for Physical  
Education has been fully updated  
to reflect the new physical  
education standards for beginning  
and practicing teachers and K-12  
physical education content  
standards for school students.*

*Among the updates and new  
features in this book, you'll find a  
CD-ROM full of portfolio builders  
that provide a step-by-step*

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*process for developing professional and student portfolios. The practical procedures and tips provided in the book can be used for every phase of a teacher's career: -PE teachers can use it to guide their students in creating portfolios. -Teachers can create their own professional portfolios. -College students training to be PE teachers can create their own portfolios for evaluation within their universities and to help them land their first jobs. The following are among the new features in this edition: -New standards. All three sets of professional teacher standards and content standards are identified and applied in each*

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*chapter. -Expected outcomes. Each chapter includes a set of expected outcomes that identifies the knowledge and skills the reader should acquire after completing the chapter. -Integration of assessment, learning, and teaching. Student portfolios model successful integration as students reflect on learning, develop self-direction and feedback skills, set goals, create new challenges, and communicate achievement results. These concepts are introduced in chapter 1 and developed further in chapter 3. -Rubric development. Chapter 3 discusses the design of rubrics, criteria for determining the quality of rubrics, and*

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*converting rubric scores to grades. Rubrics are also presented and illustrated in chapters 2 and 4.*

*-Use of technology. The application of technology for portfolio assembly, management, and storage is a significant feature of this second edition. General guidelines for creating electronic-based and Web-based portfolios, including hardware, storage, and software recommendations, are presented in chapter 1. The specific use of technology in developing student and teacher portfolios is covered in chapters 2, 3, and 4, where you will also find sample portfolio systems for PETE programs; elementary, middle, and high school students; and*

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*practicng teachers. -CD-ROM portfolio builders. The accompanying CD-ROM includes templates for creating electronic-based portfolios for teacher candidates, K-12 students, and practicing teachers. These templates provide a step-by-step process for developing professional and student portfolios. When completed, the portfolio can be copied to a CD for distribution and review. It can also be uploaded to the Internet for access as a Web-based portfolio. The portfolio systems in Professional and Student Portfolios for Physical Education, Second Edition, are detailed and illustrated. With its updated information on*



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*standards, its inclusion of rubric development, and its detailed information on the use of technology in building portfolios, this book is a valuable resource for both teachers and students.*

*Education is a hot topic. From the stage of presidential debates to tonight's dinner table, it is an issue that most Americans are deeply concerned about. While there are many strategies for improving the educational process, we need a way to find out what works and what doesn't work as well.*

*Educational assessment seeks to determine just how well students are learning and is an integral part of our quest for improved education. The nation is pinning*

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*greater expectations on educational assessment than ever before. We look to these assessment tools when documenting whether students and institutions are truly meeting education goals. But we must stop and ask a crucial question: What kind of assessment is most effective? At a time when traditional testing is subject to increasing criticism, research suggests that new, exciting approaches to assessment may be on the horizon. Advances in the sciences of how people learn and how to measure such learning offer the hope of developing new kinds of assessments-assessments that help students succeed in*

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*school by making as clear as possible the nature of their accomplishments and the progress of their learning. Knowing What Students Know essentially explains how expanding knowledge in the scientific fields of human learning and educational measurement can form the foundations of an improved approach to assessment. These advances suggest ways that the targets of assessment-what students know and how well they know it-as well as the methods used to make inferences about student learning can be made more valid and instructionally useful. Principles for designing and using these new kinds of assessments are presented, and*

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*examples are used to illustrate the principles. Implications for policy, practice, and research are also explored. With the promise of a productive research-based approach to assessment of student learning, Knowing What Students Know will be important to education administrators, assessment designers, teachers and teacher educators, and education advocates.*

*Tools for Assessing Student Learning*

*Enhancing Student Learning in Middle School*

*Portfolio Assessment for the Teaching and Learning of Writing*

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