The Teacher Quality Index: A Protocol for Teacher Selection

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Summary:

We know that teachers make a profound difference in the lives of students and are the single most important school-related influence on student achievement. When it comes to teacher selection, district and building-level administrators are challenged to predict what kind of teacher a candidate will be, based on information collected through an application and one or two interviews. In this book, James H. Stronge and Jennifer L. Hindman explain how to take the guesswork out of hiring decisions. Their Teacher Quality Index (TQI) is a structured, research-based interview protocol built on the quality indicators explored in Stronge’s best-selling Qualities of Effective Teachers. Here, educators with hiring responsibilities will find interview questions that reveal what they most need to know about teacher candidates and question-specific, descriptive rubrics that support consistent evaluation of candidates’ responses. The Teacher Quality Index is the easiest, most reliable way to see that new hires possess both the personal qualities of effective teachers and the requisite proficiencies in classroom management, instructional planning and delivery, and the monitoring of student progress and potential. The accompanying downloadable resources provide forms and scoring rubrics for both screening interviews and building-based interviews.

Supporting Resources:

- Qualities of Effective Teachers, 2nd Edition (105156)
- Handbook for Qualities of Effective Teachers (104135)
- Linking Teacher Evaluation and Student Learning (104136)
- Effective Teachers = Student Achievement: What the Research Says (EYE9911)