The Exploris School Measures of Educational Excellence

Rigor

- Students engage in tasks that are active, interactive, and appropriately challenging
- Models of excellence, critique, and multiple drafts support all students to produce work of exceptional quality and craftsmanship
- Curriculum, instruction, and assessments are integrated and aligned with standards and foster growth for all students
- Teachers design innovative projects and tasks that encourage divergent thinking, creativity, ideation, and risk-taking

Relevance

- Assessment practices position students as leaders of their own learning through reflection and goal setting
- Students have opportunities to have a voice and leadership across the school
- High quality teachers are committed to global education, the Exploris vision, and our hallmark instructional practices
- Students engage in tasks that are purposeful, empower students to change their world, and are connected to student interests, global issues, and the local community

Relationships

- Adults nurture belonging, significance, and emotional safety
- Teachers, staff, and students intentionally foster a culture of respect, inclusivity, collaboration, and communication within the school and in the broader community.
- Teachers prioritize social and emotional learning including daily, intentional crew meetings
- We equip students to work both independently and interdependently

Possible Data Sources for Rigor

- Artifacts from showcases and presentations of student work
- Disaggregated growth, proficiency, progress monitoring, and diagnostic data (MAP, EOG, EVAAS, mClass, Fountas & Pinnell)
- JumpRope Reporting
- Instructional rounds data
- Professional development plan
- Teacher Growth Process
- Expedition Snapshots

Possible Data Sources for Relevance

- Artifacts from student portfolios
- Expedition Overviews
- Artifacts from service learning activities
- Participation in ambassadors, international experiences, clubs, and other activities
- Survey data
- Student presentations in community outlets (conferences, newspapers, television, radio, etc)
- Teacher leadership: conference presentations, workshop leading, after school clubs and competitions

Possible Data Sources for Relationships

- Artifacts from Morning Meeting and Community Circle
- Attendance and behavior records
- Communication records (Weekly What's Up, grade level blogs, Executive Director's monthly newsletter)
- Teacher Working Conditions Survey
- Survey data
- School sponsored events (Meet & Greet, Parent University, Curriculum Night etc.)
- Demographic data