# Verona Public Schools <u>Performance Review for Occupational Therapist or Physical Therapist</u>

Name:	Date:
School(s):	<b>Evaluator:</b>

#### **Domain I: Planning and Preparation**

1a. The therapist demonstrates knowledge and skills in the area of OT or PT; holding the relevant certificate or license.

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT demonstrates extensive	The OT/PT demonstrates thorough	The OT/PT demonstrates basic	The OT/PT demonstrates little or
knowledge and skill in the therapy	knowledge and skill in the therapy	knowledge and skill in the therapy	knowledge and skill in the therapy
area; holds an advanced certificate	area; holds the necessary certificate	area; holds the necessary certificate	area; does not hold the necessary
or license	or license	or license	certificate or license

Comments:

1b. The therapist demonstrates knowledge of fine/gross motor development in children and adolescents.

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT demonstrates extensive	The OT/PT demonstrates thorough	The OT/PT Demonstrates basic	The OT/PT Demonstrates
knowledge of motor development in	knowledge of motor development in	knowledge of motor development in	Ineffective knowledge of motor
children and adolescents and	children and adolescents and	children and adolescents and is	development in children and
understands its implications to	understands its implications to	beginning to understand its	adolescents and does not understand
academic development.	academic development.	implications to academic	the academic implications.
		development.	

Comments:

1c. The therapist demonstrates knowledge of and follows both state and federal regulations regarding special education and related services.

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
OT/PT demonstrates extensive	OT/PT demonstrates thorough	OT/PT demonstrates basic	OT/PT demonstrates little or no
knowledge of state, federal and	knowledge of state and federal	knowledge of state and federal	knowledge of state and federal
local regulations regarding special	special education regulations and	special education regulations and is	special education regulations.
educations and applies this	applies knowledge in daily practice.	learning to apply it in daily practice.	
knowledge in daily practice.			

Comments:

1d. The therapist assists in the planning of intervention services for individual students.

(4) Highly Effective (3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective	
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The therapist provides extensive	Provides numerous pre-referral	Provides basic pre-referral	Provides few or no pre-referral
pre-referral interventions and	interventions but fails to monitor	interventions but fails to follow	interventions for students and fails
monitors their effectiveness	their effectiveness	their effectiveness	to follow their effectiveness

1e. The therapist demonstrates knowledge of resources both within and beyond the school district.

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT demonstrates extensive	The OT/PT demonstrates thorough	The OT/PT demonstrates basic	The OT/PT demonstrates little or no
knowledge of motor (fine and			
gross) development resources for			
students available through the			
school, the district and/or the			
community. (i.e., lists, websites,			
applications, activities)	applications, activities)	applications, activities)	applications, activities)

Comments:

## 1f.The therapist establishes goals for therapy sessions that are appropriate to the setting and the students served. Therapy schedules are coordinated with classroom teachers.

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The therapy program/schedule is	The therapy program serves to	The therapy program has a guiding	The therapy program consists of a
highly coherent and serves to	support students within the broader	principle and includes a number of	random collection of unrelated
support students individually within	educational program. The schedule	worthwhile activities, but some of	activities that lack coherence or
the broader educational program.	is coordinated with classroom	them are not aligned to CCSS and	overall structure.
The schedule is coordinated with	teachers and session plans include	the student's curriculum.	
classroom teachers and the session	references to the CCSS and		
plans include references to the	student's curriculum.		
CCSS and student's curriculum.			

Comments:

## **Domain II: Environment**

2a. The therapist establishes positive rapport with staff, students and parents

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT's interactions with staff,	The OT/PT's interactions with staff,	The OT/PT's interactions with staff,	The OT/PT's interactions with staff,
students and/or parents reflect a	students and/or parents are	students and/or parents are a mix of	students and/or parents are
high degree of ethical standards,	respectful, positive and confidential.	positive and negative. The motor	sometimes negative or
comfort, trust and confidentiality.	The motor therapist maintains high	therapist's interactions are partially	inappropriate. Individuals do not
	ethical standards.	successful. The motor therapist	appear comfortable in the presence
		maintains ethical standards.	

	of the motor therapist. Ethical standards are not always upheld.

2b. The therapist demonstrates strong time management, meeting organization/planning skills

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The motor therapist manages time	The motor therapist manages time,	The motor therapist demonstrates	The motor therapist demonstrates
efficiently, establishes priorities,	attempts to establish priorities and	scattered time management and	limited time management skills.
and maintains thorough records and	maintains records and session notes.	prioritization skills. Meetings are	Meetings are not planned and
session notes. Meetings are well	Meetings are planned and	loosely planned and presentations	presentations are difficult to follow.
organized and presentations are	presentations are professional.	are scattered.	
professional.			

Comments:

2c. The therapist maintains clear procedures for referrals

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
Procedures for referrals and	Procedures for referrals and	The OT/PT loosely follows	The correct procedures for referral
evaluation are followed consistently	evaluation are followed consistently	procedures for referrals and	and evaluation are not followed.
and in extensive collaboration with	but collaboration with other	evaluation.	
other professionals.	professionals is inconsistent.		

Comments:

2d. The therapist establishes standards of conduct in the treatment environment.

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
Standards of conduct have been	Standards of conduct have been	Standards of conduct appear to have	No standards of conduct have been
established for the testing and	established for the testing and	been established for the testing and	established for the testing and
treatment environment. The	treatment environment. OT/PTs	treatment environment. The	treatment environment. The OT/PT
OT/PT's monitoring of student	monitor student behavior against	OT/PT's attempts to monitor and	disregards or fails to address
behavior is subtle and proactive and	those standards; response to	correct negative student behavior	negative student behavior during
students engage in self-monitoring	students is appropriate and	during evaluation and treatment are	evaluation or treatment.
of behavior.	respectful.	partially successful.	

Comments:

2e. The therapist organizes physical space for testing and therapy.

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	(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective	

The therapy environment is highly	The therapy environment is well	The therapy environment is	The therapy environment is
organized and inviting to students.	organized. Materials are convenient	moderately well organized and	disorganized and poorly suited to
Materials are convenient when	when needed.	moderately well suited to working	working with students.
needed.		with students.	

#### **Domain III: Delivery of Service**

3a. The therapist follows federal, state and local procedures for referral, evaluation and eligibility

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT consistently follows all	The OT/PT follows procedures and	The OT/PT loosely follows	The OT/PT fails to follow procedures
procedures and timelines for referral	timelines for referral and	procedures and timelines for referral	and timelines for referral and
and evaluation. The OT/PT tailors	evaluation. The OT/PT selects from	and evaluation. The OT/PT does not	evaluation. The OT/PT makes hasty
evaluations to answer evaluation	appropriate assessments and	vary assessment tools to answer	assessments and decisions regarding
questions and selects from a broad	follows procedures for determining	evaluation questions. The OT/PT	student needs.
repertoire of assessments. The OT/PT	eligibility.	follows procedures for determining	
follows procedures for determining		eligibility.	
eligibility.			

Comments:

3b. The OT/PT consistently follows case management responsibilities for students assigned by the Director of Special Services

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT acts as a liaison between	The OT/PT acts as a liaison between	The OT/PT is learning to act as a	The OT/PT requires additional
the district, the student and the	the district, the student and the	liaison between the district, the student	supervision to act as a liaison between the
parents. Timelines are followed,	parents. Timelines are followed. The	and the parents. Timelines are generally	district, the student and the parents.
often in advance of due dates. The	OT/PT coordinates most case	followed. The OT/PT fails to	Timelines are not consistently followed.
OT/PT coordinates all case activities	activities and communicates with	coordinate case activities and	Case coordination and communication
and communicates regularly with	staff, students and parents on the	communicates with some but not all	with staff, students and parents on the
staff, students and parents on the	caseload.	staff, students and parents on the	caseload is minimal.
caseload.		caseload.	

Comments:

**3c.** The therapist communicates with families.

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT secures necessary	The OT/PT secures necessary	The OT/PT communication with	The OT/PT fails to communicate
permissions and communicates with	permissions and communicates with	families is partially successful;	with families and secure necessary
families. The OT/PT reaches out to	families. Families maintain	permissions are obtained, but trust is	permissions.

families of students to establish trust.	inconsistent trust with the OT/PT. the	not established and strategies for	
OT/PT provides families with specific,	OT/PT provides families with some	student success are not provided to	
practical, and effective strategies to help	strategies to help children succeed	families.	
children succeed outside the school	outside the school setting.		
setting.			

3d. The therapist writes thorough reports that include all required elements

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT writes timely,	The OT/PT writes thorough diagnostic	The OT/PT writes diagnostic reports	The OT/PT fails to write reports
comprehensive diagnostic reports in	reports that are accurate and	that are accurate but lacking in clarity	that are accurate or appropriate to
clear, concise language that describe the	appropriate to the audience. Treatment	and not always appropriate to the	the audience. Treatment plan is not
motor development of the assessed	plans are developed based on	audience. The treatment plan is based	based on assessment information.
student. Treatment plans are developed	assessment information.	loosely on assessment information.	
based on assessment information.			

Comments:

3e. The therapist develops and implements treatment plans to maximize student success

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT develops comprehensive	The OT/PT develops appropriate	The OT/PT develops treatment plans that	The OT/PT develops treatment
treatment plans for students. Finding	treatment plans that are compliant with	are partially compliant with federal/state	plans that are ineffective and
ways to meet student needs and	federal/state regulations and aligned to	regulations and student needs. Lessons	mismatched to student needs.
incorporate related elements. IEPs are	identified student needs. Lessons vary	vary across students but are often	
compliant with federal/state	across students but do not offer a	mismatched with findings of the	
regulations and up to date. Lessons	continuum of services.	assessments.	
vary across students and offer a			
continuum of services appropriate to			
the students.			

Comments:

3f. The therapist demonstrates flexibility and responsiveness

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT meets all responsibilities	The OT/PT meets responsibilities	The OT/PT meets responsibilities but is	The OT/PT requires guidance to
while maintaining flexibility. The OT/PT	with some flexibility and makes	not flexible. Changes in program are	meet responsibilities. Program
continually seeks ways to improve	revisions in programs based on the	made only when confronted with	changes are rarely made, even with

programs and makes changes based on	identified needs of students.	evidence of a need for change.	evidence of a need for change.
the identified needs of students.			

## **Domain IV: Professional Responsibilities**

4a. The therapist reflects on practice

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT's reflection is highly	The OT/PT reflects on professional	The OT/PT reflects on professional	The OT/PT rarely reflects on
accurate and perceptive. The OT/PT	practice and is open to suggestions from	practice only when encouraged to do so	professional practice.
reflects on professional practice and	supervisors regarding ways to improve	by supervisors.	
looks for new, innovative ways to	on it.		
improve on it.			

Comments:

4b. The therapist maintains accurate records

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT records all phone calls and	The OT/PT records most phone calls and	The OT/PT inconsistently records	The OT/PT is learning to record
contact with students, staff and	contact with students, staff and families.	contact with students, staff and	accurate, legible records. Emails
families. Emails are printed and filed.	Emails are printed and filed. Records are	families. Some emails are printed and	are not always saved, printed or
Records are accurate, legible, well	accurate, legible, well organized and stored	filed. Records are not always placed at	filed. Files are not always up to
organized and stored in a secure	in a secure location. Records are not always	Special Services and in building files.	date.
location at Special Services as well as	stored both at Special Services and in		
in building files.	building files.		

Comments:

4c. The therapist maintains an effective data management system

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT has developed a highly	The OT/PT has developed a data	The OT/PT has developed a basic	The OT/PT's data management
effective data management system that is	management system for monitoring	management system for monitoring	system is ineffective and rarely
used to monitor student progress, adjust	student progress and developing	student progress, adjusting student	used. It is difficult to measure
student programs and develop	goals/objectives. The OT/PT uses data	programs and developing	student progress.
goals/objectives. The OT/PT uses data	from the system to communicate with	goals/objectives. The OT/PT rarely uses	
from the system to communicate with	parents and students.	data from the system to communicate	
parents and students.		with parents and students.	

4d. The therapist participates in a professional community

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective	
The OT/PT holds appropriate licensing	The OT/PT is a member of appropriate	The OT/PT is considering membership	The OT/PT is not a member of	
and is an active member of national and	national and/or state organizations.	in appropriate national and state	appropriate national and/or state	
state associations. The OT/PT makes a	The OT/PT participates in school and	organizations. The OT/PT participates	organizations and does not plan to	
substantial contribution to school and	district events.	in school and district events when	join the organizations. The OT/PT	
district events.		specifically asked to do so.	avoids being involved in school and	
			district events.	

Comments:

4e. The therapist engages in professional development

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT looks for and takes advantage of professional development opportunities on various topics appropriate to school therapists. The OT/PT turn-keys information to other district employees upon returning from a conference or workshop.	The OT/PT looks for and attends professional development opportunities but often narrows workshops to one particular topic. The OT/PT turn-keys information to other district employees upon returning from a conference or workshop.	The OT/PT will attend professional development opportunities when required to do so by the school district. The OT/PT will turn-key information upon returning from a conference or workshop if asked to do so.	The OT/PT is reluctant to attend professional development opportunities and rarely turn-keys information upon returning from a conference or workshop.

Comments:

4f. The therapist demonstrates professionalism, including integrity, advocacy and confidentiality

(4) Highly Effective	(3) Effective	(2) Partially Effective	(1) Ineffective
The OT/PT demonstrates	The OT/PT demonstrates	The OT/PT requires mentoring to	The OT/PT demonstrates limited
professionalism in all aspects of his/her	professionalism in most aspects of	develop appropriate professionalism in	understanding of required
work. The OT/PT maintains high	his/her work. The OT/PT maintains	all aspects of his/her work.	professionalism associated with his/her
ethical standards and confidentiality.	high ethical standards and	Relationships with colleagues are	position. Relationships with colleagues
	confidentiality.	cordial.	are negative and self-serving.

Comments:

EVALUATOR'S	STAFF MEMBER'S	
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