Help Your Students Level Up with Performance-Based Assessment of Essential Learning Skills

In order to master academic content, students need to develop learning skills like critical thinking, problem solving, and written communication. These skills are harder than math or reading proficiency to quantify, but well-designed performance-based assessments can provide extensive and nuanced evidence of student abilities, including meaningful insight into student thinking and performance. *

Use this checklist to select a performance-based assessment that will provide students, teachers, and administrators with valuable insights to guide growth in essential skill areas.

- ☐ **Analyze and understand data**

- ☐ **Evaluate the credibility of various sources of information**

- ☐ **Deal with inadequate, ambiguous, and conflicting information**

- ☐ **Apply data to their decision-making process to come to a conclusion or solve a problem**

- ☐ **Construct an organized and logically cohesive argument that clearly explains the evidence that lead them to their conclusion**

- ☐ **Organize, synthesize, and use information from several sources to develop a written response**

The College and Career Readiness Assessment (CCRA+) from CAE checks all the boxes above. Our performance-based assessment challenges students to develop a solution to a real-world problem and put their critical thinking, problem solving, and communication skills to work.

Detailed reports for students, teachers, and institutions provide deep insights and actionable data that can be used to inform next steps with instruction, supports, professional learning, and district- or school-wide programming. Visit www.cae.org to learn more about how CCRA+ can support the academic achievement of your students today, and their success with college and careers tomorrow.

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