Fostering the North Carolina Portrait of a Graduate Durable Skills – Adaptability, Collaboration, Communication, Critical Thinking, Empathy, Learner’s Mindset, and Personal Responsibility – is imperative for student success.

The North Carolina Durable Skills rubrics are tools that help educators teach the durable skills throughout their systems of teaching and learning and assess them, when appropriate. The master set of North Carolina Durable Skills rubrics addresses grade bands K-2, 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12 in each of the North Carolina Portrait of a Graduate Durable Skills.

These rubrics are designed with formative assessment of student work in mind, but they can be used in many ways. The rubrics are designed to:

- Define the criteria associated with each of the North Carolina Durable Skills.
- Define important skills and dispositions associated with each of the North Carolina Durable Skills.
- Support the design of learning experiences in which students practice and apply targeted North Carolina Durable Skills.
- Illustrate a continuum of performance, including exemplary performance that exceeds expectations, for each criterion.
- Provide a common vocabulary for stakeholders regarding the North Carolina Durable Skills.

All North Carolina Durable Skills rubrics can be used to support student self-assessment and teacher assessment for the purpose of planning and providing feedback. The Collaboration rubric can also be used to support:

- Peer assessment of the durable skill.
- Teacher assessment for the purpose of demonstrating progress within a performance task.
How does this rubric define Collaboration?

North Carolina Graduates...

- Contribute and respond to diverse perspectives to achieve a common goal.
- Leverage strengths to resolve conflict and foster teamwork.
- Interact respectfully with others in digital and in-person interactions.
- Embrace a variety of roles in a group as a participant and a leader.

What do the performance levels mean in the rubric?

The North Carolina Durable Skills rubrics are intended to support student progress with the durable skill. We offer the following descriptions of each performance level:

- **Approaching Expectations**: Describes student performance that is approaching proficiency.
- **Meeting Expectations**: Describes a “proficient” level of student performance.
- **Exceeding Expectations**: Describes student performance that is exemplary and exceeds proficiency.

Rubric Terminology and Structure

![Rubric Terminology and Structure Diagram]
## COLLABORATION RUBRIC: GRADES K-2

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<td>Follows some established collaboration norms (For example: Taking turns to share ideas and actively listening when others are speaking).</td>
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<td>Roles</td>
<td>With significant assistance, partially fulfills a defined role to meet the group goals.</td>
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<td>Cooperation</td>
<td>With assistance, occasionally uses “I-messages” to identify feelings about problems or conflicts that arise. With assistance, occasionally offers suggestions regarding how to resolve conflicts.</td>
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<td>Productivity and Accountability</td>
<td>Is hesitant to accept responsibilities to complete tasks associated with collaborative work. With support and teacher guidance, completes a given collaborative task on time.</td>
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