New Models of Teacher Assessment

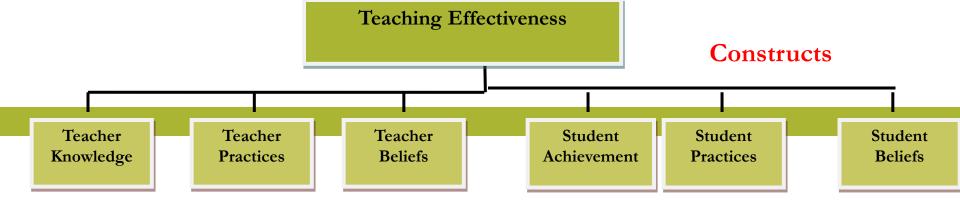
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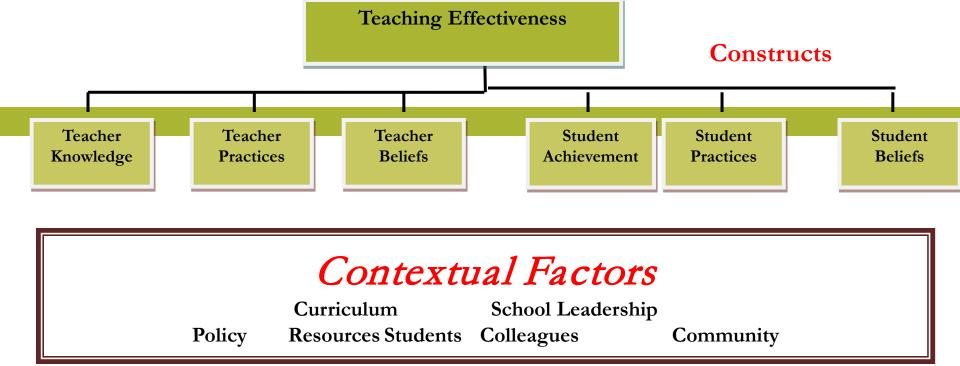


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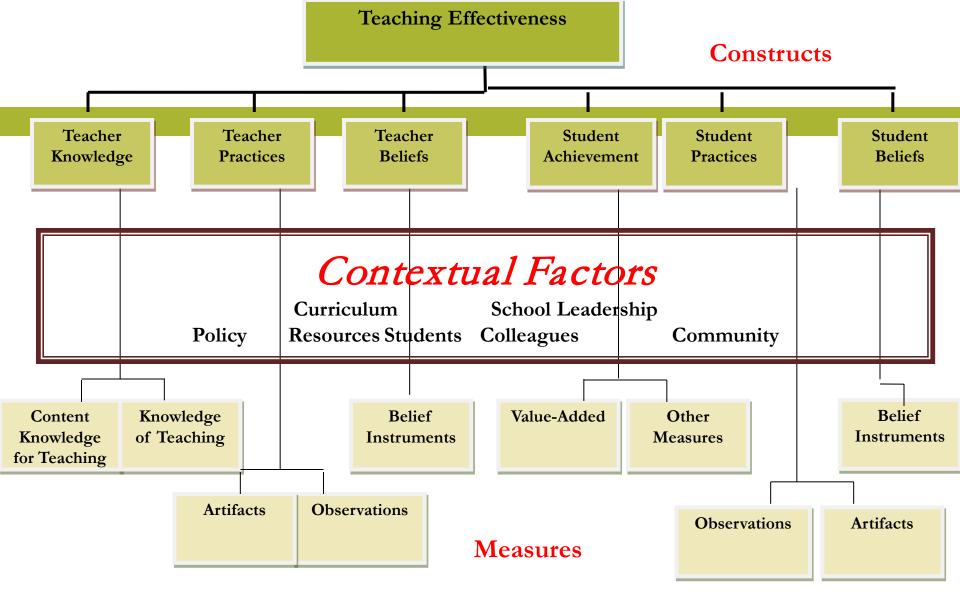




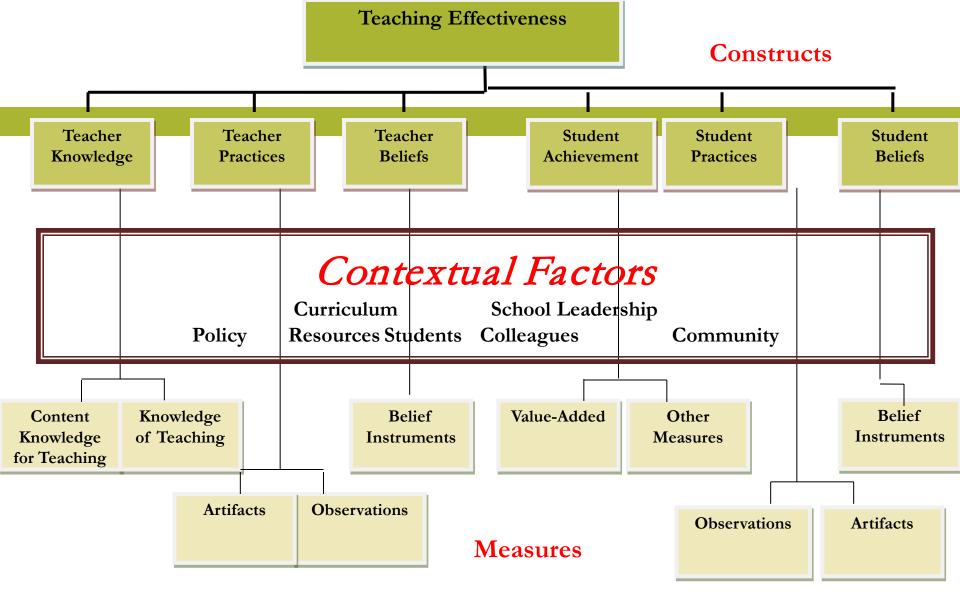














Operating Principle: Measures Matter

- Every measurement tool embodies an underlying theory of what matters
- Measurement tools vary in their psychometric properties

The tools we use affect the stories we tell



Understanding Teaching Quality – A Program of Research

Multi-year efforts to refine, apply and understand a broad range of teaching measures

- 1. Understanding Teaching Quality
 - Middle school ELA and mathematics
 - ETS, Institute for Social Research, RAND
- 2. Understanding Teaching Quality –in Algebra
 - 8th and 9th grade algebra
 - ETS, U of Virginia, RAND
- 3. Measuring Effective Teaching
 - 4th-9th grade mathematics and ELA
 - Consortium of research teams



Basic Research Design

- Observe and video-record teacher multiple times in a classroom(s) during a school year
- Code the classroom interactions using study protocols
- Collect evidence of student assignments
- Assess teacher knowledge and beliefs through tests/surveys
- Estimate VAM scores for teachers
- Examine relationships within and across all measures



Some Big Questions

- How do different measures, examined separately and together, help us understand the strengths and weaknesses of teachers, their practice, and impact on their students?
- What is the relationship between measures designed to apply to all content areas and those designed for specific subjects?

