



# CLASS Observation Protocol

September 2017



Agenda for  
**CHILDREN**

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# 2017-2018 CLASS Observer Protocol

LDE is working to improve the reliability & accuracy of CLASS observations. Changes for this year include:

- **NOEEN must follow Picard (3<sup>rd</sup> Party) protocol:** observers will not observe during “specials” or “enrichment classes” or during cafeteria-based meals
- **The lead teacher must be present.** (Previously, observations could be conducted if the assistant was present).
- **Programs will inform NOEEN of the start of the “Instructional Day” and observation start times will be adjusted accordingly.**

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- **Observations will not be conducted if fewer than 50% of children enrolled in a classroom are present.**
- **The observer will be given the daily schedule** at the start of the observation.
- **Networks can opt for “just in time” scheduling** in an effort to schedule network observations in the same month as Picard observations.