Student Achievement Objective (SAO) Instructional Personnel Evaluation Timeline for SECOND SEMESTER SAOs - 2025-2026

2025 - 2026	SAO Process to be Completed
January 5, 2026	SAO Learning Goal & Assessments components open to instructional personnel in Journey (to begin drafting the SAO)
January 14-23, 2026	SAO Targets component opens to instructional personnel (to identify baseline data and target levels)
	 Instructional personnel have their completed SECOND SEMESTER SAO submitted in Journey to their administrator by January 23.
January 22-23, 2026	Administrator Follow-up with Instructional Personnel
	Administrators speak with instructional personnel who have not submitted a completed SECOND SEMESTER SAO for review and provide support if needed.
January 23, 2026	Absolute deadline for teachers to submit a complete SECOND SEMESTER SAO to administrator
	• If SECOND SEMESTER SAO is not submitted by this date, the student learning portion of the summative evaluation will default to zero points.
January 14 – 30, 2026	Discussion between administrator and instructional personnel on quality of SAO & SAO must be approved by administrator
	 Administrators review SAO using the Rubric for Rating the Quality of Student Achievement Objectives and provide feedback to the employee.
	 As applicable, teacher revises SAO based on administrator feedback and resubmits the revised SAO to administrator for further review.
	• If administrator does not respond within the timeline, the submitted SAO shall be considered approved.
	After 3 revisions with no resolution between the teacher and administrator, Journey will notify the Regional Superintendent for further guidance.
March 23-27, 2026	Administrator Conducts Mid-Semester Review of SECOND SEMESTER SAOs
	Mid-Year Review and Conference about the SAO; required for all Category 1 teachers and any Category 2 teachers who wish to adjust expected Targets.
	 Teacher and administrator conference to examine student data/work evidence or program evidence for each Target group.
	• There is not an attendance rules process for semester SAOs due to the short length of time since approval of the SAO.
April 13, 2026	Deadline for teachers to assess students and gather summative data in preparation for the SAO summative evaluation
April 20 – May 13, 2026	SAO Summative Evaluations & Conferences
	All instructional personnel log in to Journey and follow the required attendance rules process (for removal of students if applicable), identify outcomes, and submit the SAO to the
	administrator.
	• Teacher and administrator conference to examine student data/work evidence or program evidence for each Target group.
	• The SAO Summative Rating Rubric is used to document the instructional personnel rating based on the outcomes that were achieved. The completed SAO rubric will calculate as
	the student learning evidence portion of the corresponding summative evaluation for the instructional personnel.
April 27, 2026	Teacher deadline for Required End of Year Journey Actions
	• Instructional personnel complete all required actions (apply attendance rules and identify outcomes) to their Targets in Journey by this date.
April 23 – April 27, 2026	Administrator Follow-Up with Instructional Personnel
	Administrators speak with instructional personnel who have not completed the required actions to their Targets in Journey; provide support if needed to get end of year
	outcomes submitted no later than April 27.
	• If attendance rules and final outcomes are not submitted in Journey by the instructional personnel by April 27, the student learning evidence portion of the summative
	evaluation will default to zero points.

^{*}Note: Semester courses are ineligible for a state calculated VAM score.