Tool 92A Assessing Needs of Teachers

Needs Identified by Maslow	Examples	Needs at My School
Aesthetic Need (self-actualization)	How do I focus first on the needs of students?	
	How do I focus on my own learning?	
Need for Understanding Need for Knowledge	What do I need to know to be successful?	
	What opportunities will I have for professional growth?	
	What models exists that can help me plan a more rigorous classroom?	
Esteem Needs Belonging Needs	Will I be successful changing instruction?	
	Will others value my work?	
	How do the new norms around rigor align with my own beliefs?	
Security Needs	What will I be teaching?	
Survival Needs	Will I have sufficient materials?	
	Will I be able to provide a more rigorous educational experience for students?	
	Who's making these decisions?	

Adapted from Maslow (1968) & Williamson & Blackburn (2010)