## Middle School Collaboration Observation Sheet

Observe students individually and while they work in groups.

		Notes
Student Work Habits	<ul> <li>Consistently work alone or with others?</li> <li>Try to help others? In what ways?</li> <li>Succeed in asking for and getting needed help? From whom?</li> <li>Stick to the task or become easily distracted?</li> <li>Become actively involved in the problem?</li> </ul>	
Student Ideas	<ul> <li>Does the student individually:</li> <li>Try to explain organizational and mathematical ideas?</li> <li>Support arguments with evidence?</li> <li>Consider feedback seriously and effectively use the suggestions and ideas?</li> <li>Attempt to convince others that the student's own thinking is relevant?</li> </ul>	

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## Communication Does the student: Talk for selfclarification and to communicate to others? Comfortably fill the role of both "talker" and "listener"? Have confidence to make a report to the whole class? Capably represent a group consensus as well as the student's own ideas? Synthesize and summarize both the student's own and the group's thinking?

## Cooperation Does the group: Divide the task among members? Agree on a plan or structure for tackling the task? Take time to ensure that all group members understand the task? Use group time in a productive way? Provide support for each member? Think about recording or documenting group work? Allow for the development of leadership?