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**I am encouraged to make my own decisions.**
- This school: 80%
- The State: 60%
- North Smithfield Elementary School: 70%

**My team or grade level shares professional material and information with each other.**
- This school: 80%
- The State: 60%
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**Student discipline/behavioral management**
- This school: 20%
- The State: 10%
- North Smithfield Elementary School: 10%

**School-wide goals**
- This school: 100%
- The State: 80%
- North Smithfield Elementary School: 90%

**Lack of time necessary for adequate planning and/or implementation**
- This school: 20%
- The State: 10%
- North Smithfield Elementary School: 10%

**Lack of support from teachers and/or other staff**
- This school: 40%
- The State: 30%
- North Smithfield Elementary School: 30%

**Lack of training for teachers**
- This school: 30%
- The State: 20%
- North Smithfield Elementary School: 20%

**Lack of developed curriculum**
- This school: 10%
- The State: 5%
- North Smithfield Elementary School: 5%

**Lack of information for teachers about the reforms and/or what is expected for school improvement**
- This school: 0%
- The State: 0%
- North Smithfield Elementary School: 0%

**Recruiting and Supporting Teachers**

### Teachers with emergency certification (%)
- This School: 0%
- This District: 0%
- The State: 2%

### Classes not taught by a highly qualified teacher (%)
- This School: 23%
- This District: 26%
- The State: 26%

### Grievances
- This School: 0%
- This District: 7
- The State: 409

### Teacher attendance (%)
- This School: 97%
- This District: 97%
- The State: 96%

### Time out of class for professional development (%)
- This School: 2%
- This District: 2%
- The State: 1%

### Time out of class for medical reasons (%)
- This School: 3%
- This District: 3%
- The State: 4%

### Time out of class for other reasons (%)
- This School: 1%
- This District: 2%
- The State: 1%

### Total time out of class (%)
- This School: 6%
- This District: 7%
- The State: 6%