Portfolio Assessments-Students at risk for school failure

**Appropriate Grade Level:** 1-5

**Procedures/Steps:** There are a variety of portfolios a classroom teacher would be able to use.

- Showcase: a picture a child drew, a picture taken of a large block structure built by a child, and a written account of an elaborate play scene played out by the child.
- Reflective: A written account of how high a child can count an example of what they like to count.
- Cumulative: A picture that a child drew of his/her family every few months.
- Goal-based: A written account of what letters a child can identify at school, a note from a child’s parents stating what letters they can identify at home.

**Comments and/or tips:** When designing a portfolio, keep the following in mind…

- Identify all areas that will be assessed
- Document child’s performance in the portfolio
- Identify specific questions that will be answered through the use of the portfolio

**Source:**