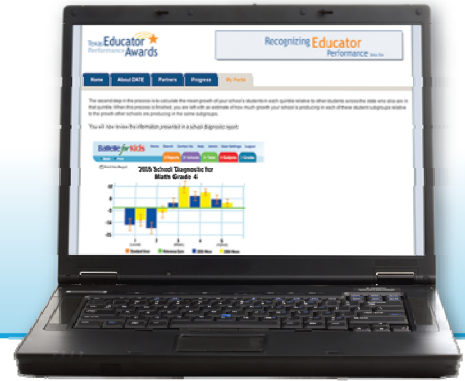


NEW Online Learning System

Now available to Texas DATE grant administrators through <http://portal.BattelleforKids.org/Texas>

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Online Value-Added Courses

The Institute for Public School Initiatives at The University of Texas System is pleased to provide Texas D.A.T.E. grant managers and district administrators access to nine online value-added courses through BFK•Learn.

These online value-added courses are available at your convenience, to be used any time, at any pace. They will help you to further understand the concepts of value-added progress measures for informing practices and accelerating student progress.

Exploring Basic Data Terms

VA0102 – Understanding Basic Descriptive Statistics

Understanding Value-Added Analysis

VA0101 – Introducing Value-Added Progress Measures

VA0107 – Uncovering Factors Linked to Student Learning (Part 1)

VA0108 – Uncovering Factors Linked to Student Learning (Part 2)

Delving Deeper into Value-Added Analysis

VA0110 – Exploring the Predicted Mean Approach

VA0111 – Exploring the Mean Gain Approach

Preparing to Use Value-Added Analysis

VA0125 – Creating a Climate for Success

VA0126 – Getting Ready for Value-Added Analysis

VA0127 – Developing a Value-Added Rollout Plan

Access

To begin taking online value-added courses, complete the following steps:

1. **Access the Texas Educator Performance Awards Portal at:**
<http://portal.battelleforkids.org/Texas>
2. **Log in under the “My Portal” tab**

New Users

- You will be asked to enter your e-mail address as your username and the district access code as your password. Each access code can create up to five (5) individual accounts. If you do not know this code, contact the Texas Educators Awards Technical Assistance Center at txeducatorsawards@utsystem.edu or (512) 579-5050.

- The system will first check for an existing e-mail address. If a user account exists, you will be directed to login. If you forget your password, you can reset your password using the “**Forgot Password**” link.

Returning Users

- Enter your **e-mail address** as your username.
- Enter the unique password you selected when you created your “**My Portal**” account.
- If you forget your password, click “**Forgot Password**” and then “**Submit.**”

3. Enroll in Learning

Enroll in a Course:

- To enroll in online value-added courses, click on “**My Learn**” under “**Learn.**”
- Then, click on “**Enroll in Learning**” at the top right corner of the screen.
- Select “**Enroll in a Course**” from the options.
- You are now on the **Course Catalog** page. To the right of the course titles under “**Actions,**” click on “**Show Info**” to review the objectives and prerequisites for each course. Then, click on “**Enroll**” for the course(s) you wish to take. This action will add your selected courses to your personalized “**My Learn**” page. If you have already enrolled in the course, this column will show “**Enrolled Already.**”
- Your “**My Learn**” page will show all of the courses you are currently registered for under “**My Courses**” and those you completed during the current year under “**My Completed Courses.**”

4. **Begin Your Courses:** To begin a course you have added under “**My Courses,**” click “**Begin**” under the “**Actions**” column. If you have already started this course, this column will show “**Resume.**” If you decide you do not want to take this course, click “**Withdraw.**” Next, you will see the Course Syllabus, which includes all of the units for that course. Click “**Begin**” to review the Course Instructions and Course Objectives.
5. **Complete a Course:** Several courses offer the option to read the course content or to watch an instructional video. You can choose one or a combination of these formats to complete the course. To receive credit for completing a course, you must take the posttest and score a 70% or higher. You will immediately see your test results and each question’s correct answer. If you don’t pass the first time, review the course content again and click the “**Retake**” button to attempt the posttest again.
6. **Certificates of Completion and Transcripts:** Each course is approximately one hour of professional development. At the successful completion of the course, you can retrieve an electronic Certificate of Completion. A record of your completed learning is also available in your online transcript.