

Principles of Standardized Testing – Level B Assessment

Facilitator(s):	Dr. Dave Carter
Date(s):	<i>This is a multi-day event.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Day 1: May 14, 2024 (9:00 am to 3:30 pm) • Day 2: May 15, 2024 (9:00 am to 3:30 pm) • Day 3: May 16, 2024 (9:00 am to 3:30 pm)
Cost:	
Location:	Virtual
Session Code:	24-IE-578

Target Audience

Learning Support Teachers, Classroom Teachers of Children with Diverse Needs

About this Learning Opportunity

1. A handout will be emailed to you prior to the session
2. In order to receive a certificate, **you must attend all 3 days of training**
3. Upon successful completion of this course, employers (school divisions etc.) accept the Certificate of Completion and permit the holder to administer, score and interpret Level B assessments. Acceptance of this or any such proof of training always remains with the employer, but acceptance has been virtually unanimous
4. There will be a 45 minute lunch break each day, with breaks throughout each day at the discretion of the presenter

Participants will:

- Understand the 3 levels of testing and how they differ and the role of each level in assessment
- Key Principles of testing including:
 - Provincial, national and international standards
 - Ethical test selection and use
 - Understanding measurement statistics
 - Understanding standard Scores, T scores, Z scores, percentiles ranks, grade and age equivalent
 - How to interpret standard scores
 - Interpreting test results to parents, children and teachers
 - Choosing tests with precision
 - Understanding measurement error, confidence intervals

About the Facilitator(s)

Dr. Dave Carter

Dr. Dave Carter has been an educator for more than 40 years, having worked as a grade 6 and 7 teacher, Learning Assistance Teacher (K-7), a school psychologist for grades K – 12, and a Director of Instruction for Student Services in both the Central Okanagan and Surrey, B. C. school districts. Dave “semi-retired” in 2005 but has been active in other ways. He has taught graduate courses for SFU, TWU, UBC and others and supervised both Masters and Doctoral student research. He has acted as an “expert witness” in several B.C. Supreme Court cases involving special education. He has done volunteer work overseas in both Nigeria and Haiti and was among the early responders after the Haiti earthquake.

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