

District Awards for Teacher Excellence (D.A.T.E.) Implementation Symposium

February 10 and 11, 2009- AT&T Conference Center, Austin, TX

- 8:30am – 8:40am** **Welcome and Introductions**
Marina Walne, Institute for Public School Initiatives
- 8:40am – 9:00am** **Review Agenda and Introduce First Activity**
Tammy Kreuz, Institute for Public School Initiatives
- 9:00am – 10:15am** **D.A.T.E. Consultancy Activity**
Facilitated by IPSI and TEA Staff
The purpose of this session is to work through a consultancy activity with colleagues from other districts. A consultancy is a structured process for helping an individual or a team think more expansively about a particular, concrete dilemma. Outside perspective is critical to this protocol working effectively; therefore, groups will be formed to include individuals from multiple districts with different job functions. Participants will work through dilemmas related to their district's D.A.T.E. program and leave with concrete solutions.
- 11:15am – 11:30am** **Break**
- 11:30am – 12:30pm** **Battelle for Kids Presentation**
John Hussey and Todd Hellman, Battelle for Kids
This session will provide information from the nonprofit organization Battelle for Kids on how they can assist districts with D.A.T.E. program implementation, specifically related to data management and analysis, performance award verification, and the performance award payout process. Battelle for Kids will present tools and materials available to districts and allow time for Q&A.
- 12:30am – 1:15pm** **Networking Lunch**
- 1:15 pm – 2:15pm** **D.A.T.E. Trivia**
TEA Timelines and Reporting Requirements
Rita Ghazal and Corrina Noriega, Texas Education Agency
The purpose of this session is to review TEA grant implementation, monitoring, and reporting timelines. Specifically, information on the necessary data elements and programmatic documentation that should be maintained at the campus and/or district level will be provided as well as a review of proactive solutions to potential reporting and monitoring challenges.
- 2:15pm – 2:30pm** **Break**
- 2:30pm – 3:00pm** **Legislative Update**
Jerel Booker, Texas Education Agency
This session will provide information and updates on legislation related to the D.A.T.E. and TEEG programs.
- 3:00pm – 4:00 pm** **Team Planning Time / Development of Action Plans**
- 4:00pm** **Adjourn**