

## To the Administrator Addressed

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DATE:	November 17, 2022
SUBJECT:	Blended Learning PD Reimbursements for the 2022-2023 School Year
CATEGORY:	Reimbursement Opportunity
NEXT STEPS:	Share with curriculum & instructional staff, campus leaders

**Blended learning** combines online learning with face-to-face teacher-led instruction to effectively differentiate instruction for all students. High-quality professional development (PD) for educators is a foundational component of successful blended learning implementation that leads to improved academic outcomes for students. To assist school systems in a high-fidelity implementation of blended learning, the Texas Education Agency (TEA) will reimburse school districts and open-enrollment charter schools (local educational agencies or LEAs) for blended learning professional development programs from qualifying providers. This funding is provided by Rider 52 of the General Appropriations Act of the 88th Texas Legislature.

The qualified programs for **Blended Learning PD reimbursements for the 2022-2023 school year** are:

## **UTeach Blended Learning Professional Development: Reimbursed by TEA**

To learn more and register, contact UTeach at the University of Texas at Austin: <a href="mailto:pdinfo@uteach.utexas.edu/">pdinfo@uteach.utexas.edu/</a>
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AUDIENCE	LEVEL	FORMAT	TITLE	LENGTH	COST
New teachers	Beginning	Asynchronous	Blended Learning New	5 months	\$1,500 for
		and Synchronous,	Teacher Support	to 2 years	5 months
		Virtual			per
					teacher
All educators	Beginning	Synchronous,	Introduction to Blended	Two, 3-	\$2,560 for
		Virtual	Learning	hour	group
				sessions	
All educators	Beginning	Asynchronous,	Foundations of Blended	3 months	\$1,000 per
		Virtual with 2	Learning		educator
		optional			
		Synchronous			
All educators	Advanced	Asynchronous	Advanced Blended	3 months	\$1,000 per
		with 2 Sessions	Learning		educator
		Synchronous,			
		Virtual			
Administrators	Advanced	Asynchronous	Blended Learning	3 months	\$650 per
and		with 4 Sessions	Coaching and		educator
instructional		Synchronous,	Collaboration		
coaches		Virtual			
All educators	Advanced	Asynchronous,	Designing Project-Based	3 months	\$1,000 per
		Virtual	Instruction and Blended		educator
			Learning		

All educators	Advanced	Asynchronous, Virtual	Implementing Project- Based Instruction and Blended Learning	3 months	\$650 per educator
Administrators and instructional coaches	Advanced	Synchronous, Virtual	Advanced Blended Learning Coaching and Collaboration	One Zoom meeting per month, for 5 months	\$250 per educator
Administrators and instructional coaches with select teachers	Advanced	Synchronous, In-person	Onsite Blended Learning Coaching Support and Professional Development	3-5 days within one week	-3 days, \$16,000 -4 days, \$20,500 -5 days, \$25,000
Administrators and instructional coaches with select teachers	Advanced	Synchronous, Virtual	Virtual Blended Learning Coaching Support	1 day	\$3,700 per day

**Note**: This professional development is intended to align the core instructional content of the classroom with the online software component. UT High School is also an approved provider for blended learning reimbursements.

## **Process for Approval of Reimbursements:**

- 1) The LEA contacts the PD provider, completes provider-created readiness materials, and submits the list of educators to be enrolled in the program to the PD provider;
- 2) TEA and the PD provider will review a readiness assessment and approve LEA and educator eligibility for reimbursements;
- 3) once approval is obtained, the LEA pays the cost of the selected program and educators begin the PD program; and
- 4) upon verified educator completion of the program, TEA will reimburse the LEA.

## Please note:

- 1) Reimbursements will be approved based on the availability of funds and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis.
- 2) For the 2022-2023 school year, PD programs must be completed by August 31, 2023, to be eligible for reimbursement.

For additional information or assistance, please send an email to <a href="mailto:blendedlearning@tea.texas.gov">blendedlearning@tea.texas.gov</a>.