

Launch PhD Science® Texas



PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

OVERVIEW

This session, the first in the *PhD Science Texas* Professional Development sequence, introduces participants to the shifts in science instruction. Participants experience these shifts through a *PhD Science Texas* student-hat experience. This session introduces participants to the learning design, structure, and key components of the curriculum. By exploring *PhD Science Texas* resources that support implementation, educators gain the confidence to implement a rigorous, student-driven curriculum.

SESSION OBJECTIVES

Participants will

- explore instructional shifts that facilitate TEKS-aligned learning,
- experience the curriculum from a student's perspective to understand how the shifts are integrated into PhD Science Texas,
- explain how the structure and key components of the curriculum reflect the shifts in science instruction, and
- explore how the curriculum resources can support implementation.

TIME	AGENDA	DESCRIPTION
15 minutes	Launch	 Review the session objectives, materials, and other housekeeping items.
95 minutes	Learn I	 Explore how students engage with the three strands of the TEKS and the instructional shifts to build a vision of science instruction. Engage in a student-hat experience to connect the instructional shifts with PhD Science Texas curriculum components.
65 minutes	Learn II	 Experience PhD Science Texas in action to continue to build participants' vision of science instruction. Explore key components and structure of the curriculum to help participants successfully implement the curriculum
85 minutes	Learn II continued	 Examine grade-level content to build module-specific knowledge and identify how the shifts are integrated throughout the curriculum. Explore key components including curriculum assessments to help participants successfully implement the curriculum.
65 minutes	Learn III	 Understand key components of the curriculum and how they support implementation. Explore how PhD Science Texas resources support planning for instruction. Engage in planning time to utilize resources and prepare for instruction.
15 minutes	Land	Ask any remaining questions.Reflect on and summarize learning.

There will be two 10-minute breaks and a 1-hour lunch break during the session.