

INSTRUCTIONS for DVD

Improving Achievement: Making Data Work in the Classroom

These DVDs have been produced for Alaskan educators to use as a tool for furthering awareness and understanding of statewide assessment to help improve student achievement. They may be used for viewing or workshops. All necessary workshop handouts listed below can also be found on EED's website at <http://www.eed.state.ak.us/nclb/2006wc.html>.

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DISK 1

Introduction – Roger Sampson, Commissioner of Education & Early Development for the State of Alaska, approximately 15 minutes.

Session I – Les Morse, Director of Assessments, Department of Education & Early Development, presentation entitled “SBA to GLE: The Road Less Traveled,” discusses the history and utilization of statewide assessments. Approximately 54 minutes running time not including activities.

For Session I you will need:

1. **Power Point Presentation** - included on DVD as “SBA to GLE: The Road Less Traveled PPT.pdf”
2. **School Report** included on DVD as “SchoolSummaryReport6thGrade.pdf”
3. **Related Test Blueprint** included on DVD as “6th Reading Test Blueprint.pdf”, “6th Writing Test Blueprint.pdf”, “6th Math Test Blueprint.pdf”
4. **Related Proficiency Level Descriptor** included on DVD as “6th Reading Proficiency Descriptors.pdf”, “6th Writing Proficiency Descriptors.pdf”, “6th Math Proficiency Descriptors.pdf”
5. **Scale Proficiency Score Chart** included on DVD as “Scale Proficiency Score Chart.pdf”
6. **Alaska Standards booklet** <http://www.eed.state.ak.us/tls/assessment/GLEHome.html>

This session includes 5 activities listed below with the amount of time required for each.

- Activity 1 is 4 minutes (what types of summative assessment do you use),
- Activity 2 is 5 minutes (pinpointing GLE),
- Activity 3 is one minute (finding proficiency levels),
- Activity 4 is 10 minutes long (review of SBA to GLE),
- Activity 5 is 4 minutes (MicroLab)

Session II – Les Morse, Director of Assessments, Department of Education & Early Development, presentation entitled “Working Together: Understanding SBA Data” demonstrates how to connect test results to instruction. Approximately 37 minutes running time not including activities.

For Session II you will need:

1. **Power Point Presentation** - included on DVD as “Working Together: Understanding SBA Data PPT.pdf”
2. **District School Roster with Scale Scores** (from district test coordinator using DRC Reporting Website)
3. **Scale Proficiency Score Chart** (from district test coordinator using DRC Reporting Website)
4. **District Improvement Plan Example** included on DVD as “Sample DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN.pdf”
5. **District Improvement Plan** included on DVD as “Blank DISTRICT IMPROVEMENT PLAN.pdf”
6. **District Subpopulation Report** (from district test coordinator using DRC Reporting Website)
7. **Guide to Quality Data** included on DVD as “Guide to Quality Data.pdf”
8. **Quality Data Role Sheets** included on DVD as “Role Sheets.pdf”
9. **Test Blueprints** included on DVD as “Reading Blueprint.pdf”, “Writing Blueprint.pdf”, “Math Blueprint.pdf”
10. **Proficiency Level Descriptors** - included on DVD as “6th Grade Reading Proficiency Descriptors.pdf”
11. **Alaska Standards booklet**

This session includes 5 activities listed below with the amount of time required for each.

- Activity 1 is 16 minutes (how to collect quality data),
- Activity 2 is 4 minutes (incorporating GLEs into district curriculum),
- Activity 3 is 10 minutes (find average scale score),
- Activity 4 is 22 minutes (changes to current practice),
- Activity 5 is 17 minutes (using GLEs to improve student achievement)

DISK 2

Session III – Dr. Gary Whiteley, “Measuring Student Progress,” explains types and use of classroom assessments. Approximately 48 minutes running time not including activities.

For Session III you will need:

1. **Power Point Presentation** - included on DVD as “Measuring Student Progress PPT.pdf”
2. **Self Test** - included on DVD as “Self-test.pdf”
3. **Assessment Types** - included on DVD as “Assessment Type.pdf”
4. **Classroom Assessment** - included on DVD as “Classroom Assessment .pdf”

This session includes 3 activities listed below with the amount of time required for each.

- Activity 1 is 10 minutes (self-assessment test),
- Activity 2 is 20 minutes (best practices),
- Activity 3 is 10-20 minutes (use & types of assessments)

Session IV – Dr. Gary Whiteley, “Instructionally Oriented Assessments”, exercises on learning to utilize instructionally oriented assessments in the classroom.

For Session IV you will need:

1. **Power Point Presentation** - included on DVD as “Instructionally Oriented Assessments PPT.pdf”
2. **Item Writing Guidelines** - included on DVD as “Item Writing Guidelines.pdf”
3. **Essay Items** - included on DVD as “Essay Items.pdf”
4. **GLE R6 2.7.3** - included on DVD as “GLE R6 2.7.3.pdf”
5. **GLE R10 4.5.2** - included on DVD as “GLE R10 4.5.2.pdf”

This session includes 4 activities listed below with the amount of time required for each.

- Activity 1 is 10 minutes (most challenging aspect for teacher),
- Activity 2 is 20 minutes (item writing guidelines),
- Activity 3 is 20 minutes (GLE 2.7.3)
- Activity 4 is 14 minutes (GLE 4.5.2)

TO ACCESS THE HANDOUTS ON THE DVD:

- ◆ open Windows Explorer
- ◆ click on the drive with the DVD
- ◆ click on Session I, II, III, or IV
- ◆ click on document & print