



## Principles of Standardized Testing: Level B Assessment

<b>Facilitator(s):</b>	Dave Carter
<b>Date(s):</b>	<i>This is a multi-day event.</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Day 1: Mar 04, 2025 (9:00 am to 3:30 pm)</li><li>• Day 2: Mar 05, 2025 (9:00 am to 3:30 pm)</li><li>• Day 3: Mar 06, 2025 (9:00 am to 3:30 pm)</li></ul>
<b>Cost:</b>	
<b>Location:</b>	Virtual
<b>Session Code:</b>	25-IE-015-CARC

### Target Audience

Teachers

### About this Learning Opportunity

At the end of Level B sessions, participants will receive a certificate of completion. Participants must attend all 3 days of training to receive a certificate.

Four major topics to be covered in training sessions:

1. The three levels of testing and how they differ
2. The role of each level in educational assessment
3. The principles of standardized testing:

Provincial, national and international standards  
Ethical test selection and use  
Understanding measurement statistics  
Understanding T-scores, z-scores, percentile rank equivalents, age equivalents  
How to compare standard scores  
Interpreting test scores to parents, teachers and children

4. Pragmatic issues in test administration:

Choosing standardized tests  
Establishing basals and ceilings  
Scoring standardized tests with precision  
Meeting District and Alberta Education guidelines

### About the Facilitator(s)

#### Dr. David 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.

He and his wife Sharon have four children, all (very grown-up) and three granddaughters.

Prior to COVID he and Sharon travelled extensively, enjoy sailing and walking their Boxer dog “Cuba”.