

Oklahoma VI Teacher Institute 2024-2025

September 2024 – June 2025

A training program offered to certified OK teachers!

What is the purpose of this program?

The program is geared to provide OK certified teachers with knowledge, tools and resources to instruct blind and visually impaired students in core academics and expanded core curriculum skills.

The goals of this program are to provide teachers with specialized instructional knowledge and teaching practices for students with blindness and/or visual impairment (VI).

Areas covered:

Reading/writing Braille – Methods of teaching blind/VI children – Orientation & Mobility (O&M) – Assistive Technology (AT), Low Vision devices and Math Adaptations – Performing Functional Vision tests and Learning Media Assessments – Eye conditions and their impact in the classroom – Incorporating areas of Expanded Core Curriculum - Independent Living Skills (ILS) – Adapted PE

Who are the instructors?

The instructors are Oklahoma School for the Blind (OSB) staff and teachers that are certified and experienced in specialized fields of instruction.

Deadline for Registration:

DATE

For general information and to register, please contact Maggie Mattox at mmattox@osb.k12.ok.us.

For all other information, please contact Karen Reed at: kreed@osb.k12.ok.us.

How much does the program cost?

The program is offered in partnership with the Dept. of Rehabilitation Services (DRS), Oklahoma School for the Blind (OSB), and the State Dept. of Education (SDE) and is offered for **FREE** !

A **\$100 deposit** is required to secure a spot in the program. The deposit, as well as travel and lodging expenses, will be reimbursed upon completion of the program.

How often does the program meet and how?

There will be **six (6) mandatory on-site sessions** held at OSB (**Sept. 27-28, Jan. 10-11, June 16-17**), and **bi-monthly virtual sessions** offered via Google Meets/Classroom.

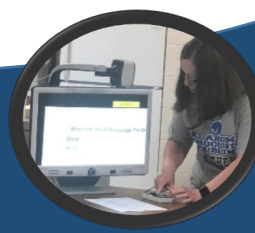
Participation and attendance are mandatory to successfully complete the training and to receive a "Certification of Completion" and reimbursement of deposit and expenses.



Braille



Independent Living Skills



Assistive Technology



Orientation & Mobility