

Starting the Path to Proficiency

How to make the change to the new TEKS

Location: Region 20 Service Center
1314 Hines Avenue, San Antonio, TX
Frank Maples Conference Center, Medina Room



Date: Friday, Sept. 15, 2017
Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM
6 hours professional development credit

Cost: \$50 (Participants must be TFLA members; see my.tfla.info for membership information.)

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Register through: www.esc20.net
TO REGISTER:

- 1 Go to www.esc20.net and click on the section titled WORKSHOPS.
- 2 Enter the SESSION ID (46685) or KEYWORD (LOTE) into the search box.
- 3 If you do not have a CONNECT20 account you will be prompted to create one.

This workshop will help participants

- identify the levels of proficiency
- examine the new TEKS for LOTE and consider their impact on teaching
- compare and contrast traditional and communicative classrooms
- learn how backward design and can-do statements can revitalize instruction
- create activities that implement the three modes and engage students in meaningful communication.

TFLA will be bringing professional development about the new TEKS, proficiency methodology, and

authentic texts over the next few years, aimed at helping world language teachers build programs to meet these new expectations.

A follow-up workshop on unit design for proficiency teaching is planned for February, with Teresa Tattersall as presenter.



This workshop is offered as a collaboration between Region 20 and TFLA.



Presenter: Nella Spurlin
retired German teacher at
Temple High School,
Temple, TX



Nella Spurlin earned a BA in German at Wartburg College in Waverly, Iowa and an MA in Political Science from Baylor. She taught at Lockhart and Temple High Schools. She has been a frequent presenter at TFLA and SWCOLT conferences, and has served on the Boards of TFLA and AATG.