

## **About ISTE Certification**

Conventional professional development (PD) for teachers typically revolves around using specific tools or software. However, such training often needs to pay more attention to the **crucial** groundwork necessary to leverage technology effectively, creating genuine, inclusive, and captivating learning experiences and fostering digital skills for students.

The ISTE Certification Program takes a **competency-based** and **digital tool-agnostic approach**, making it adaptable to various roles within a school district. Instead of merely honing technical skills, this certification emphasizes **pedagogy**, the art and science of teaching. ISTE actively facilitates and supports learners through **reflective practice** and applying the ISTE Standards guidelines for effective technology integration in education.

It's worth noting that educators from more than **104 countries worldwide** have actively participated in the ISTE Certification program. Its primary objective is to **transform educational practices** and expand and accelerate a culture of **empowered learning** throughout the entire education system.

## Participant Responsibilities

- Commit to completing each phase of the Certification Program; complete a 10-week online course and submit a full portfolio for review aligned to the ISTE Standards for Educators.
- Actively participate in three (3) synchronous sessions, each two hours long.
- Apply and curate artifacts to ISTE for review within 6 months of course completion.
- Utilize the resources provided during the portfolio phase to build a portfolio for review: portfolio examples, video resources, office hour sessions, and recordings.

Participants may view all course assignments and materials within the **Scope and Sequence**.

Informational Webinar: November 14, 2024 6:00-6:30 pm MT. Join Zoom Meeting: <a href="https://iste.zoom.us/j/97365668093">https://iste.zoom.us/j/97365668093</a>, Password: ISTE!2021



Cohort 2: January 29, 2025 Phase 1: 10-Week Course Modules	Synchronous Group Session Wednesday Time: 6:30-8:30 pm MT	Asynchronous Work Start	Asynchronous Work Due
Module 1: Getting Started	No Meeting	1/29/25	2/5/25
Module 2: Empowered Educator	2/5/25 via Zoom	2/5/25	2/19/25
Module 3: Designing for Diversity and Accessibility	2/19/25 via Zoom	2/19/25	3/5/25
Module 4: Leading Learner Accountability	3/5/25 via Zoom	3/5/25	3/19/25
Module 5: Redesign Learning and Instruction	No Meeting	3/20/25	3/27/25
Module 6: Final Project Submission	No Meeting	3/28/25	4/18/25
Phase 1: 10-week Course Ends (all work due)		4/18/25	
	Module 6 Final Project Evaluation Results		5/15/25
Phase 2: Portfolio Curation	Portfolio Start		Portfolio Due
6 months to curate and submit portfolios. Access to portfolio examples, video resources, and monthly office hours.	5/15/25		11/30/2025

