

## Partnership to bring digital learning cloud to public schools

The Department of Basic Education (DBE) in partnership with The Training Room Online (TTRO) will be rolling out digital learning into the public school sector of South Africa in the form of the DBE Cloud.



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TTRO signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the National Department of Basic Education this year. The agreement sees them managing the learning platform, and aggregating quality Curriculum Assessment Policy Statements (CAPS) aligned digital content into the platform, from multiple content partners. The project combines many great initiatives, lesson learnt and best practices into one constantly evolving ecosystem, which drives true systemic change in South African education.

According to TTRO CEO Kirsty Chadwick: “There are four key roles of the DBE Cloud platform – namely: Learner, Teacher, Parent and School Administrator. The reporting of the platform rolls up from the individual learner profile; teacher/class profile; school; district; provincial through to the national DBE,” that makes this platform accessible to all valuable stakeholders typically involved in a learner’s education.

While the platform gives learners access to five major components such as; access to a vast range of rich learning material, the option to view schedules and calendars, the ability to collaborate with their peers, the benefit of access to helpful resources and the mandate to have fun while learning. It also ensures the teacher has their own space to manage their learners’ development as well as their own professional and personal development. This solution thus has a comprehensive focus on learning – both from the child’s and adult’s perspective.

The DBE is so diverse in its offering that it also includes a Parent Portal which gives the parent access to their child’s learning material, the ability to track their child’s progress, the opportunity to communicate with the teacher, a view of their child’s schedule and calendar, to print all compulsory learning material the teacher loads and the chance to complete courses aimed at adult-learning.

The initial DBE Cloud pilot has concluded, however UAT testing is in full swing until the end of 2017. Implementation of this exciting project starts in January 2018, so if you would like to get involved, contact TTRO.

The DBE Cloud development forms part of a larger vision which ultimately aims to develop the skilled citizen of the future.

Using technology and caused based collaboration as the drivers, the DBE, in partnership with TTRO aims to drive systemi changes in education, by providing world class learning for free to its learners and teachers, thereby creating skilled citize of the future that can complete locally and globally and is so doing, mobilise socio-economic reform.

For more information on how you can get involved with this initiative, contact [TTRO](#).

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