

Interschool Collaboration Session – December 8, 2017

Session Listings

1. Netball

Location: J.T. Foster High School Gymnasium

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Netball Alberta

Contact: Brent Gammie @ gammieb@lrsd.ab.ca

Teacher Information Session. Ensuring staff are comfortable with the use of the equipment and able to educate students in the sport of Netball. Participation in the sport to follow.

2. Coffee and Conversation about Fountas & Pinnell

Location: A.B. Daley Learning Commons

Time: 9:00am -3:30pm

Presenter: Round Table Discussion

Contact: Jillian Spencer @ spencerj@lrsd.ab.ca

A.B. Daley has recently adopted Fountas and Pinnell as our school wide assessment. We would like to have a conversation about how testing is going, troubleshooting, tips and tricks etc. Some time will also be devoted to taking a closer look at the Leveled Literacy Intervention resources.

3. Administrative Assistants Work Bee

Location: Division Office

Time: 9:00am -3:30pm

Presenter: Round Table Discussion

Contact: Karen Woynarowsky @ woynarowskyk@lrsd.ab.ca

Join Karen for a work bee to share tips and tricks and work through some best practice procedures. Please bring your laptops and any questions or successes you have.

4. Outreach Based Handbooks

Location: Outreach West – Coleman Sports Complex (upstairs on the curling rink side)

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Ron Gillespie

Contact: Ron Gillespie @ gillespier@lrsd.ab.ca

Our focus is Outreach-based, looking to create our own staff and student handbooks. We will be examining divisional and provincial exemplars for structure and content, and discussing best practices. Adapting for our current practices and context, we look to construct our individualized handbooks that will run parallel to existing handbooks. The goal is to have these completed by year's end for future implementation.

5. Daily 5

Location: Livingstone School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Literacy Committee Members

Contact: Lorraine Robbins @ robbinsl@lrsd.ab.ca or Melody Larson @ larsom@lrsd.ab.ca

Casual conversations about Daily 5. Bring your laptop to unpack the website. Prepare to share how you are using Daily 5/Guided Reading. This is a working session facilitated by the Literacy Committee Members.

6. FNMI Resources & Blackfoot Language & Culture

Location: F.P Walshe School – Room 154

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Hali Heavy Shields-Walking Together (morning) & Elder presenter – Joseph Yellowhorn (afternoon)

Contact: Sandra Lamouche @ lamouches@lrsd.ab.ca

Morning session will be FNMI Resources presented by Hali Heavy Shields – Walking Together (ATA) rep and the afternoon session will be on Blackfoot Language and Culture presented by Elder Joseph Yellowhorn. Lunch will be provided. If you are planning on attending this session please RSVP to Sandra at lamouches@lrsd.ab.ca.

7. Foundations for Meditation: Cultivating Presence

Location: F.P. Walshe School – Room Library and Room 158

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Rob Charchun

Contact: Rob Charchun @ charchunr@lrsd.ab.ca

Mostly we think of presence as a subtle way that we get or apply power. We say that a person has “presence” when they seem to exert their will in groups or is so respected that others simply submit to them. Culturally meditators are thought to be working on ‘bettering themselves’. This is not necessarily the case at all. Everything we do does not have to be about success or failure. We could adopt a path of simply awakening. We could form a healthy relationship with both pain and pleasure.

This session will teach the basics of breath basic mindful presence practice. Please dress comfortably and be prepared to practice in a large group while seated on chairs. There will be instruction, support and contextual guidance. There will also be movement instruction in the form of regular yoga and maybe even Tibetan yoga. Bring a yoga mat if you have one.

Lunch will be at the will of the group and will be addressed at first agenda. Email Rob if you have any questions.

8. Advisor/Intervention Blocks in a Middle School

Location: F.P Walshe School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Kim Biesheuvel

Contact: Kim Biesheuvel @ biesheuvelk@lrsd.ab.ca

In this session, we will discuss the use of an advisor block in the middle school setting. Extension and intervention programming will be discussed, further developed and created for students. The advisor/intervention block aim is to provide additional assistance to schools to achieve the district goals of literacy and numeracy.

9. Freshgrade

Location: West Meadow Elementary School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Allana Ball

Contact: Allana Ball @ balla@lrsd.ab.ca

All children deserve to be proud of their work, to feel success and to increase their self-esteem. How can we help them share their accomplishments quickly and easily? Grade 1 and 2 at West Meadow Elementary and other teachers in our division are trying out a digital portfolio called Freshgrade. We will be exploring the features of this program and testing it to see if this could someday replace out progress reports. If you do not have Freshgrade, we can help you get started. Please bring a laptop or chromebook.

10. Numeracy Learning & Sharing – Building Our Understanding of Numeracy

Location: F.P. Walshe School – Rooms 124, 125, 126 & 128

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Members of LSRD Numeracy Committee & Cynthia Parr from SAPDC

Contact: Kathy Charchun @ charchunk@lrsd.ab.ca

This session is for any staff teaching/supporting Div I, II, III or IV Mathematics. Organized by LRSD Numeracy Committee.

In the morning we propose to ask you to confirm/challenge/change/choose to ignore your beliefs about learning and teaching mathematics through discussion about Growth Mindset.

We will model “*thinking classroom*” strategies while taking part in division level student tasks that promote happy, engaged and motivated students. These tasks help develop mathematical mindsets and create conditions for deep, connected understanding.

Division I and II staff will engage in Guided Math discussions and sharing. There will be something for everyone - if you are new to the framework, ‘dipping your toe in’ or already ‘diving in’. Cynthia Parr from SAPDC will be discussing and sharing strategies for differentiating math instruction in Div III and Div IV.

Lunch - bring your own lunch or \$5 and we will order pizza!

The afternoon is an opportunity to learn and share with your colleagues across the division by division and/or grade level. Some of the topics to be shared are the use of manipulatives, mathematics literature, FP Walshe structure pilot and whatever else you want to discuss/share. Bring ideas/lessons/resources that work for you to share with your grade level, or just show up ready to gather ideas to use in your own classroom.

11. Creating a Classroom of Life Long Readers – Division III

Location: Crowsnest Consolidated High School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Bev Cervo

Contact: Bev Cervo @ cervob@lrsd.ab.ca

This session is geared towards introducing a successful independent reading program into your junior high class. We can look at reading logs, book talks, First Chapter Fridays, assignments, 30 or 40 book Challenges, and conferencing. We can also look at the literacy progressions and how they apply.

If you let me know that you are interested in coming I can bring in lunch from Cinnamon Bear for a \$6.00 donation. (half sandwich, beverage, and dessert)

12. Creative Thinking, Reggio Inspired Spaces and Loose Parts

Location: Livingstone School, Eliza Grose's Kindergarten Classroom

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Launa Clark & La Vonne Rideout

Contact: Lisa Furukawa @ furukawal@lrsd.ab.ca or Eliza Grose @ grosee@lrsd.ab.ca

Registration Required – Maximum 18 Participants. To register please email Lisa at furukawal@lrsd.ab.ca

Take stock of your classroom, space and materials and evaluate what is working or what is not. It is easier than you think to create highly engaging centres and activities that incorporate nature and loose parts within your curriculum. Learn about creative thinking, Reggio inspired spaces and loose parts in a fun and hands on learning day. Take away a tool kit to get you started or add to your already inspired spaces.

13. Making a Difference using Literacy Progressions in Content Areas

Location: F.P. Walshe School – Room 138

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Vicki Glass (SAPDC)

Contact: Chad Kuzyk @ kuzykc@lrsd.ab.ca

All teachers in every subject area are responsible for developing student literacy. Alberta Education has developed the Literacy Progressions to support the understanding and development of literacy skills from K-Gr 12 in every subject area. This session will focus on developing an understanding of the continuum, how it might inform the teaching/learning process in all content areas, and how to be more intentional about imbedding literacy in every subject.

Vicki Glass, SAPDC Learning Facilitator, has been involved in education for the past 38 years in a variety of roles including teacher, consultant, principal and college instructor.

14. Effective Communication for Supporting Positive Behaviour (Universal & Individual Strategies)

Location: Canyon School – PD Room

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Kevin Verberk & Shannon Fraser

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Please RSVP to Kevin Verberk @ verberkk@lrsd.ab.ca or Shannon Fraser @ frasers@lrsd.ab.ca

Having troubles getting the words out? This session will give you tips and tricks for building relationships, teaching expectations, and utilizing opportunities for teachable moments. Responsive strategies for deescalating students, addressing challenging behaviour, and specific considerations for specific behaviours and cognitive needs.

15. Drug & Alcohol Awareness and Cessation Programming.

Location: J.T.Foster

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Jason Neufeld – Alberta Health Services

Contact: Leanne Watson @ watsonl@lrsd.ab.ca

Please join us for discussion and resources for alcohol and drug awareness and cessation programming. Jason will be discussing what is currently working in your school for drug prevention, what the staff envision for the future, and strategies that can be put in place to help you get there. Jason is interested in supporting staff in developing prevention initiatives rather than prescribing it to them.

16. Humanities 10

Location: Matthew Halton High School – Room 132

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Clair Hockley

Contact: Clair Hockley @ hockleyc@lrsd.ab.ca

Session on Humanities 10 - the combining of ELA 10 and SS 10. We will be looking at the curriculum and what we need to do to meet the outcomes, design instructional units, assessment pieces and collaborative strategies.

17. Implementing the New Teaching Quality Standard – What Every School Leader Needs to Know

Location: Crowsnest Consolidated High School - Staff Room

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Crowsnest Pass Schools Admin Team

Contact: Myrna Dembicki @ dembickim@lrsd.ab.ca

Join the Admin team of Crowsnest Pass schools to review the draft document from the ATA "Implementing the New Teaching Quality Standard: What Every School Leader Needs to Know". We will review the participant guide, and share ideas about the soon-to-be approved TQS and LQS. (Please bring along copy of this resource that was distributed at the Admin Retreat.). We will collaborate about other school-related topics as they arise through the day.

18. Grade 6 Sharing Session

Location: Livingstone School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Liesl Leishman

Contact: Liesl Leishman @ leishmanl@lrsd.ab.ca

Please preregister to Liesl @ leishmanl@lrsd.ab.ca.

Come to Lundbreck for a grade 6 show and share session. Bring an idea, lesson, unit or presentation ready to share with the group in any subject. What we don't have we can create. Bring your ideas, handouts, laptop and a lunch.

19. Meeting the Standard of Excellence

Location: Crowsnest Consolidated High School – Room 210 (Size permitting)

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Krysta MacDonald

Contact: Krysta MacDonald @ macdonaldk@lrsd.ab.ca

This is a multi-disciplinary "coffee break" conversation-style meeting intended to be a broad brainstorming session for ways to increase our focus on meeting the standard of excellence in junior and senior high levels.

20. Inclusion

Location: Crowsnest Consolidated High School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Jill Klapp & Sharon Plante

Contact: Elizabeth Klapp @ klappe@lrsd.ab.ca

This session will largely focus on the inclusion research of UBC PhD graduate Shelley Moore. This session will be a joint venture facilitated by Jill Klapp and Sharon Plante at CCHS discussing and playing with inclusion models at a Senior High Level. The focus of this session will be understanding and defining inclusion, how inclusion impacts a learning community, broad based discussions in classroom practices and FNMI cross cultural understanding of inclusion. Please bring resources, ideas and a willingness to collaborate and play.

If you are interested please email your RSVP to Klappe@lrsd.ab.ca by December 6, 2017

21. Benchmark Reading Assessments

Location: W.A. Day Elementary School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Hosted by Dave Fender and Wanita Walmsley

Contact: Dave Fender @ fenderd@lrsd.ab.ca

This will be an information session to examine benchmark reading assessments. A couple of videos of student reading assessments will be shown. One using Jerry Johns, the other using Fountas and Pinnell. We will discuss the merits of these and other reading assessments. Our main focus will be to determine which assessment(s) provide(s) teachers with the most useful information about their students' reading. We will also discuss the merits of other reading assessment tools - e.g. Accelerated reader. Participants will be asked to share their knowledge and practices.

22. Art-Based Session

Location: F.P. Walshe School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Karen Paton & Shanan Tynan

Contact: Karen Paton @ patonk@lrsd.ab.ca

Join art specialists Shanan Tynan and Karen Paton for a day of hands-on exploration of art materials. Have you wondered about what papers to use for which project? What the difference is between acrylic medium, glazes and varnishes? How to get set up for those logistically-tricky projects like clay and print making? Where art teachers can find the best deals for their classroom? We expect this to be a rich time of sharing our collective experience and knowledge, as well as have the opportunity to play with a wet felting group project that is currently on the go. As we work we can share our successes and frustrations in this glorious world called Art Education.

23. CTS Conversations, Collaboration & Resource Sharing

Location: F.P. Walshe School – Room C114

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Amanda High

Contact: Amanda High @ higha@lrsd.ab.ca

In this session we will provide an opportunity for CTS teachers to collaborate and discuss best practices, share insights, or tips and tricks on classroom management, module creation, and finding new ways to engage students. This will be a working session where teachers will have the opportunity to analyze and discuss their current modules and can collaborate, share, create, and modify modules by being able to discuss different ideas with other CTS teachers and to brainstorm together. Bring your laptop, modules, or any other resources you would like to share.

24. One Book, Two Grades

Location: Willow Creek Composite High School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Deb Marshall

Contact: Deb Marshall @ marshalld@lrsd.ab.ca

We are holding a planning meeting for our 2018 cross-grade literacy project for grade 7&8 students. This is modeled on One Book, One School, but we are redesigning it for the junior high level. The chosen book is *Escape from Mr. Lemoncello's Library* by Chris Grabenstein.

Staff from other schools are invited to join in and see how it could be implemented at your school.

25. Exploring 7 Habits Resources

Location: Granum School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Cara Pawlick

Contact: Cara Pawlick @ pawlickc@lrsd.ab.ca

Come to Granum to collaborate and discuss the Leader In Me. We will spend the day exploring the Leader In Me website, looking at resources and other materials and discussing how the 7 Habits could be used in the classroom and school environment.

Please RSVP to Cara Pawlick (pawlickc@lrsd.ab.ca)

26. High School Administrator Collaboration

Location: Matthew Halton High School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Tara Tanner

Contact: Tara Tanner @ tannert@lrsd.ab.ca

High School administrators are invited to come and bring questions/topic ideas for group discussion and collaboration. Some topics could include: high school redesign ideas/implementation, timetabling, supervision, etc.

27. Linking School-Wide Nutrition with Eco Club and Outdoor Classroom Programs

Location: Horace Allen School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Lesley Margetak

Contact: Lesley Margetak @ margetakl@lrsd.ab.ca

We will look at the designing of the outdoor classroom to provide opportunities for all curriculum areas. Some time will be spent looking at Child & Nature Alliance "Risky Play" program, ATA specialist council PD programs and workshops, incorporating Nutrition initiatives (local vegetables, garden, etc.) and researching community support.

28. Wet and Dry Needle Felting

Location: Livingstone Colony School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: LaDonna Schamber

Contact: LaDonna Schamber @ schamberl@lrsd.ab.ca

This session is geared towards Multi grade Colony teachers and EAs. Using wool from the Colony's sheep is a great learning experience for the students. Washing, carding, and even dyeing the wool to make roving for many projects will be discussed. We will also make a couple needle felting projects. There will be a \$10 fee for the supplies and materials.

Limited to 8 participants. Please email schamberl@lrsd.ab.ca to register.

29. Grade 4 Social Studies Resources Sharing and Work Session

Location: West Meadow Elementary School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Gwynne Orsten

Contact: Gwynne Orsten @ orsteng@lrsd.ab.ca

This working session gives grade four teachers time to share, improve and create effective resources for Social Studies learning and assessment. Those who attend should bring ideas, resources and a laptop. This is an opportunity to share and develop ideas in a collaborative setting.

30. Experiential Learning Week Incorporating Cross Curricular Learning

Location: Matthew Halton School

Time: 8:30am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Bryan Burns

Contact: Bryan Burns @ burnsb@lrsd.ab.ca

Cross curricular learning is an important component of a holistic classroom that teachers can incorporate to provide a multitude of learning opportunities to students. The government has included 10 cross curricular competencies for an “inclusive K-12 education”. As a two week part of the Matthew Halton Schedule, this session will put a hands on approach to how Cross Curricular Learning and be linked to programming like Experiential Learning Week.

What we need to know about Cross Curricular Learning...

Teachers design learning opportunities that... I place a greater emphasis on **experiential learning both in and outside** of the classroom I consider the interests, talents, passions and natural curiosities of the learner I make information and skills relevant to real-life situations I use digital technologies purposefully as students design, create and share knowledge I choose diverse approaches to assess learner competencies – ATA Website.

The Session: We will meet at Matthew Halton High School at 8:30 and look to start our day discussing the 10 competencies for CCL.

From MHHS we will head to Beauvais Lake to discuss cross curricular learning in an outdoor environment. Example: Social Studies Content (Living off the land, geographical factors that influence identity, etc.). Based off of our discussions we will brainstorm and implement how other curricular content can be used on an experience outside the classroom (Science, CTS, Math, Art, and ELA).

This is meant to be a hands on learning experience where we can include different outcomes from different courses in a meaningful practical manner. This will be a physically active day outside that will require hiking gear/snowshoes.

31. Kids in the Know

Location: Canyon School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Jess Ames

Contact: Jess Ames @ amesj@lrsd.ab.ca

This session will provide time to go through the Kids in the Know resource, prepare a parent letter to send home before teaching and discuss the implications for the classroom. Please bring your schools Kids in the Know Kit.

32. Linking STEM Challenges with Grade 3 Science Curriculum

Location: Horace Allen School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Kayla Marra, Roy Lach & Tommy Gregory

Contact: Kayla Marra @ marrak@lrsd.ab.ca

This session will look at Grade 3 science units Testing Materials and Designs and Building, and linking outcomes to STEM challenges. We will also create a timeline to fit them in through the year.

33. Ed Tech Tools and Project Cambodia

Location: Isabelle Sellon School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Derek Shackelford & Meipsy Shackelford

Contact: Derek Shackelford @ shackelfordd@lrsd.ab.ca

Morning: Have you wanted to learn more about different ed tech tools but find you don't have the time? Come to ISS and spend some time looking through different ed tech tools and how to use them in the classroom.

Afternoon: Come find out more information about Project Cambodia. Project Cambodia is a student developed charity that was started in Fort McMurray to raise money to build schools in rural Cambodia. Project Cambodia would be a great charity for schools and the district to raise money for and give back to help educate rural children in Cambodia.

34. Exploring Websites and Apps for Elementary School

Location: Canyon School – Computer Room

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Savi Houldin

Contact: Savi Houldin @ houldins@lrsd.ab.ca

This will be a session to share and explore apps you are using with students in your classroom. Please bring a list of your favourite websites and apps and a device and we can share best practices.

35. Jostens Yearbook Avenue

Location: F.P.Walshe School – Room 144

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Francina Doyle

Contact: Francina Doyle @ doylef@lrsd.ab.ca

In this session we will discuss the follow:

How do you apply the thirds principle?

Get rid of all of the stuff happening in the background?

Use a photo more than once?

Use a photo as the background of a page?

Find the time to check student's input-edit?

Time permitting we will do some work if you are using Jostens.

36. Learn Video Editing and Green Screen Skills to Develop projects to Integrate into your CTS or Core Course Classes. Div 1,2,3,4

Location: Livingstone School

Time: 9:00am – 3:30pm

Presenter: Rob Tkachuk

Contact: Rob Tkachuk @ tkachukr@lrsd.ab.ca

- We will train you on how to use three types of cameras and phone cameras
- We will get you used to importing, editing and exporting video projects
- We will find online video editing resources for you to use.
- We will showcase and build projects/units for you to run starting monday.

Please feel free to join Rob Tkachuk in his lab to explore the potential of using video media in your courses.
