

Staff Development April—June 2009

Training and Professional Development



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Message from the Superintendent

Dear Staff:

Welcome to the new edition of Edmonton Catholic Schools' *Staff Development Calendar*.

The purpose of the Staff Development program is to promote personal, professional and organizational learning for all employees of the Edmonton Catholic School District.

Every training and development opportunity offered by all the departments in our District is included in a one-stop shopping publication – the Staff Development Calendar.

We are dedicated to providing staff with a wide variety of professional learning choices and these opportunities are open to everyone – secretaries, clerks, media resources, teachers, custodians, administrators, etc.

Continuous professional learning is essential to maintain highly qualified staff, committed to best serving the educational needs of our students, and enabling all of us to learn and grow in our abilities to help the students entrusted to our care.

Our goal is to create a culture of life long learning through continued professional growth opportunities and I encourage you to look at the possibilities!

Each day comes bearing its own gifts.

Untie the ribbons.

Ruth Ann Schabacker

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joan Carr".

Joan Carr, Superintendent



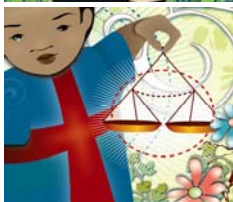
Community

We seek to create a learning environment that reflects the identity and character of the Catholic Church, and expresses the uniqueness of the Catholic experience.



Hospitality

The Catholic community is inclusive of diverse peoples and perspectives; is free of discrimination and sectarianism; and welcomes strangers.



Justice

Catholic schools aim towards a synthesis of faith, culture and life that characterize mature faith.



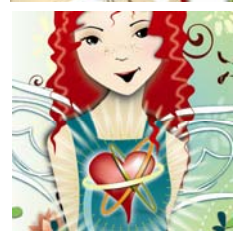
Tradition

Catholic education brings a focus to learning to discover, evaluate, and interpret the human experience. It provides insight into how learning can lead to fullness and freedom for all people.



Sacramentality

The idea of a Catholic school is to educate its members into a world that is sacred and holy. Appreciation for God's gifts finds expression in the attitudes and actions of a school community through liturgy and stewardship.



Humanness

Catholic schools, in partnership with the family and the entire community, strive to form strong and responsible persons who are capable of making free and correct choices.



Rationality

The learners are invited to be active agents of their learning, and have an attitude of openness to the truth.



Spirituality

We let God be present in each moment of the day. Prayer and a commitment to the moral and ethical values of the gospel provide the opening to God's presence.

Overview of the Calendar

The Goals of Staff Development

Employees are the core of Edmonton Catholic Schools. By investing our resources in employees' training and development, we help ensure Edmonton Catholic Schools will continue to provide exceptional education to our students.

To meet the demands of an ever changing world, it's necessary to continually update skills and knowledge — whether your goal is to stay up-to-date in your current position or to prepare for a desired change (or both!).

The calendar lists a wide range of opportunities — from retirement planning and leadership development to technology training, teachers new to a grade to workshops for media resources staff — offered by the various departments of Edmonton Catholic Schools. Take a look and find what supports your professional development goals!

Where is the Staff Development Calendar?

- MyECSD
- Human Resource Services website: www.hrs.ecsd.net
- Public Folders → Catholic Education Centre → Staff Development

When is the Calendar Published?

The Calendar is published four times each year:

- Back to School (August and September sessions)
- Autumn (October to December sessions)
- Winter (January to March sessions)
- Spring (April to July sessions)

How to Register

Please register with the department offering the workshop. Each workshop description in the calendar describes with registration procedures. The instructions will explain:

- How to register
- Payment procedures (if required)
- Confirmation of Registration
- Who to contact if you have questions
- Cancellation policy

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy

The personal information requested for registrations is collected for the registration and administration of courses offered by ECSD. This includes your name being on the registration list provided to the presenter of the session. It is collected under the authority of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy (FOIP) Act* and is protected by the Act. If you have any questions about the collection, please contact the FOIP Coordinator at 441-6000.

General Questions and Comments

Our goal is to provide exceptional staff development. We welcome your feedback on existing workshops and seminars and your ideas for new topics. If you have comments or suggestions, please contact:

Allison Betton, Staff Development Officer
Tel: 441-6114

Email: bettona@ecsd.net

EDMONTON REGIONAL LEARNING CONSORTIUM

To view or register in sessions offered by the Edmonton Regional Learning Consortium (ERLC), please go to: www.erc.ualberta.ca

Newman Theological College

Master of Religious Education (MRE)

The MRE is an advanced degree designed for the preparation of specialists teaching in a Catholic School or Catholic School Administration, thus providing an important contribution for those engaged in teaching, administration, leadership and curriculum development.

For more information or to register, contact:

The Registrar, Newman Theological College
15611 St. Albert Trail, Edmonton AB T6V 1H3
Phone: (780) 447-2993
registrar@newman.edu
www.newman.edu

Theological Education Bursaries

Religious Education Services is pleased to offer opportunities for you to upgrade your religious education and theology. Eligible courses are offered by St. Joseph's College at the University of Alberta or Newman Theological College (see the lists below).

Who Can Apply?

Bursaries to cover the cost of tuition are available to all continuous contract staff from Religious Education Services. Please note: one bursary per person is available.

How to Apply

Call Marjorie (441-6084) to apply for the bursary.

Course Registration

Please register directly with the institution:

- St. Joseph's College, U of A: 492-7681
- Newman Theological College: 447-2993

St. Joseph's College (U of A)

- CHRTC 250 The Theological Education of the Catholic Teacher
- CHRTC 356 Theologies of Christian Religious Education
- CHRTC 380 Christian Religious Education and the Child
- CHRTC 381 Christian Religious Education and the Adolescent/Young Adult
- CHRTC 390 Neuroscience, the Person and Christian Theology

Individual Study

- CHRTC 407 Topics in Christian Religious Education
- CHRTC 450 Directed Readings in Catholic Theology

Newman Theological College

- BST 420 Introduction to the Old Testament
- BST 525 The World of the New Testament
- BST 534 The Bible and Women
- CSA 571 Foundations in CSA
- CSA 573 Theory and Praxis in CSA
- CSA 585 Special Topics in CSA
- CSA 587 Issues in CSA
- FTH 402 Christianity and World Religions
- FTH 507 Eastern Christianity
- REL 445 Theology for Religious Educators
- REL 467 Theory and Praxis in Religious Education
- REL 491 Seminar in RE
- REL 593 Theories in RE
- STD 561 Key Theologians: Karl Rahner
- STP 461 Introduction to Moral Theology
- STP 573 Christian Religious Education
- STP 574 The Concept of Christian Faith

Aboriginal Learning

Most Promising Practices in Aboriginal Education

Audience: Administrators and FNMI Liaisons
 Location: Sacred Heart Centre
 9624—108 Avenue
 Time: 1:00—4:00 p.m.
 Presenter: Bob Steele, Education Manager
 First Nations, Métis and Inuit Services
 Alberta Education
 Registration: Please register with Karyn Gagnon at
 944-2000, ext. 319 or
gagnonk@ecsd.net
 Note:
 • This session is a repeat of the workshop offered on
 November 27, 2008

ALS Mini Workshops

Aboriginal Hands-On Activities

Free Aboriginal hands-on activities for the Classroom
 Great lessons for any age!

Location: Sacred Heart Centre
 9624—108 Avenue
 Time: 3:30—4:00 p.m. (snacks & questions)
 4:00—5:30 p.m.
 Presenter: Angie Hall
 Registration: Please register with Karyn Gagnon at
 944-2000, ext. 319 or
gagnonk@ecsd.net

Notes:
 • First come, first served!
 • Parking is available behind the building

The Power of Water

Be spiritually moved as to why water is so sacred and
 create a water charm to honor this knowledge.

Date: Wednesday, April 8

Weaving A Culture

Explore weaving among the Métis and Peruvian people.
 Create your own wall hanging.

Date: Wednesday, May 6

Spirit of the Horse

Understand why the horse played a significant role in the
 transformation of Aboriginal culture and create your own
 symbolized horse.

Date: Wednesday, June 10

Date change!

Technology Training

Introduction to Office 2007

Office 2007 is coming – are you ready?

Would you like a guided tour of Office 2007? Are you wondering how different Office 2007 is from Office 2003? Are you wondering if Office 2007 will be hard to learn? Would you like to feel more confident as you make the transition to Office 2007?

EATS is pleased to offer **Introduction to Office 2007**. Office 2007 will be rolled out to all **Administrative** and **Administrative Support** Staff over the next year. In preparation for implementation, **Introduction to Office 2007** workshops will be held Thursday afternoons starting March 5, 2009. These workshops will:

- introduce the new Office user interface
- highlight the major changes from Office 2003
- offer tips and tricks
- provide links to valuable help systems

These two-hour Thursday afternoon workshops will provide you with the skills and knowledge you need to be comfortable using Office 2007.

Important!

- These workshops are targeted at **Administrative** and **Administrative Support** staff.
- If space permits, non-administrative staff are welcome to attend.

St. Anthony Meeting Centre

Computer Lab, 10425 – 84 Avenue

- March 26
- April 16
- May 7
- May 21
- May 28
- June 4
- June 11
- June 18
- June 25

Sacred Heart Centre

Computer Lab, 9624 – 108 Avenue

- April 9
- April 23
- April 30

Audience: All ECS Staff
Time: 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Presenter: Terry Station
Registration: Please register with Terry Station via email only at stationt@ecsd.net

Note:

- Participants **must** know their user name and password

Read & Write Gold

The Read & Write Gold Trainers from Technology Services have been very busy with on-site staff presentations and software overviews for **Read & Write Gold** and are now fully booked for early Thursday professional development time until the end of May.

Four half day training sessions with MacEwan College's Read and Write Gold trainer Heather Jenne, have been scheduled for the following dates, times and locations:

Audience: Teachers and SNTAs

St. Anthony Meeting Centre

Computer Lab, 10425 – 84 Avenue

- April 17, 8:30—11:30 a.m.
- April 17, 1:00—4:00 p.m.

Sacred Heart Centre

Computer Lab, 9624 – 108 Avenue

- April 24, 8:30—11:30 a.m.
- April 24, 1:00—4:00 p.m.

Coordinator: Shannon McElroy

Registration: Please register with Lorraine Sieben via email only at siebenl@ecsd.net.

Note:

- Registration is limited to 18 participants per workshop

Human Resource Services

Sessions offered by Human Resource Services

Human Resource Services provides staff development opportunities throughout the year to all employee groups. Training and development opportunities include:

- Health and Safety
- Media Resources
- SNTA Workshops
- Conferences
 - Support Staff and Out of Scope Staff
 - Facilities Services

How to Register

To register, please complete the form on the next page. Send the registration form, along with payment to:

Staff Development
Human Resource Services

Payment Policy

Payment, if required, can be made either by cheque (payable to “Edmonton Catholic School Board”) or by Inter-District Transfer of Funds.

**Registration is considered complete
only upon receipt of payment.**

Questions or Comments?

Contact: Allison Betton, Staff Development Officer
Human Resource Services
Tel: 441-6114
Email: bettona@ecsd.net

Human Resource Services Registration Form

To register in Human Resource Services workshops **only**, please complete the form below and send with payment (if required) to:

Staff Development, Human Resource Services
Catholic Education Services

Fax: 441.6147

Course Name			
Course Date		Fees	
Course Name			
Course Date		Fees	

Name		Position	
School/Department			

Please transfer the sum of \$_____ as per the following:

From account(s)	Fund	Centre	Dept	Pro/Sub	Object
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To account(s)	Fund	Centre	Dept	Pro/Sub	Object
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Authorizing Signature: _____

Name (please print): _____

Registration is considered complete
only upon receipt of payment.

First Aid

Emergency First Aid

Emergency First Aid is an excellent first step in learning about how we function. This one-day workshop will cover:

- Legal requirements for workplace first aiders Acts and Regulations in Alberta
- Basic structure and function of the airway / respiratory system
- Airway emergencies (choking)
- Artificial respiration (HCP)
- Special considerations
- Basic structure and function of the circulatory system
- Signs & symptoms and first aid for cardiovascular emergencies, angina / heart attack AND TIA / stroke
- Risk factors of cardiovascular disease
- CPR (Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation)
- Two-Rescuer CPR (HCP)
- Recovery position
- AED (Automated External Defibrillation)
- Severe external bleeding
- Amputations and care for amputated tissue
- Internal bleeding / Shock Unconsciousness / Fainting
- Principles of secondary assessment using SAMPLE, vital signs & head-to-toe exam
- Drowning, Hyperventilation, Asthma, Anaphylactic Reaction, Inhalation and Chest Injuries

Cost: \$63.00 (\$60 plus GST)

Repeat Workshops:

Dates:

- Thursday, March 19
- Monday, April 27
- Monday, May 25
- Monday, June 15

Time: 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Location: #103, 11710 Kingsway Avenue

Instructor: Second Chance First Aid

Questions: Contact Lana Dogor at 780 441-6118 or dogorl@ecsd.net.

Registration: Complete an HRS Registration Form and send with payment to Staff Development, Human Resource Services

Notes:

- Wear comfortable clothing
- Participants must participate in all training activities to receive certification
- Limited space is available; registration is first come, first served

Standard First Aid

Standard First Aid is the most commonly required training course in the workplace. In addition to CPR, this course offers valuable information and skills to the first aider so that he/she will be effective until EMS arrives.

This course covers everything listed under Emergency First Aid, **plus:**

- Head, spine and pelvic injuries (including rollovers, immobilization)
- Closed and open wounds
- Bleeding from scalp and ears
- Eye, mouth and nose injuries
- Thermal injuries (burns)
- Chemical and electrical injuries
- Poisons, bites and stings
- Bone and joint injuries of upper and lower extremities
- First aid kits – contents incl. barrier devices
- Cold emergencies (hypothermia, frost nip and frostbite)
- Heat emergencies
- Diabetic emergencies
- Seizures (convulsions)
- Emergency childbirth

Cost: \$94.50 (\$90 plus GST)

Repeat Workshops:

Dates:

- Monday, May 4 and Tuesday, May 5
- Monday, June 8 and Tuesday, June 9

Time: 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Location: #103, 11710 Kingsway Avenue

Instructor: Second Chance First Aid

Questions: Contact Lana Dogor at 780 441-6118 or dogorl@ecsd.net.

Registration: Complete an HRS Registration Form and send with payment to Staff Development, Human Resource Services

Notes:

- Wear comfortable clothing
- Participants must participate in all training activities to receive certification
- Limited space is available; registration is first come, first served

Media Resources Workshop Series

In partnership with the Media Resources Group, Human Resource Services is pleased to offer a workshop series for Media Resources employees—come explore the variety of skills and knowledge required to manage a library.

Cost: \$25 per workshop
Time: 1:00 —3:00 p.m.
Registration: Please send your completed HRS to Staff Development, Human Resource Services
Early Bird
Registration: Register for the whole series before September 30 and pay only \$125.

Library Basics

This workshop will explore and review fundamental library skills and knowledge needed for all staff working in our school libraries.

Date: Thursday, September 25
Location: Library, St. Alphonsus
11624 – 81 Street
Presenter: Dawn Del Fabbro

Programming

This workshop will discuss various types of library programming such as book displays, book fairs, author visits, book shares, read-ins and story telling sessions.

Date: Thursday, October 30
Location: Staff Development Training Rooms
St. Alphonsus
11624 – 81 Street
Presenter: Dawn Del Fabbro

Hands On Weeding

Step right up folks, come right in. For just a few short hours of your time, you will learn the magic of MUSTIE, the charisma of the CREW method; both being parts of the wonderful, worrisome world of Weeding.

Date: Thursday, January 29
Location: Library, St. Alphonsus
11624 – 81 Street
Presenter: Vera Ussyk

Library Maintenance/ Repairs

It's time to pull out the calendar and do some planning so that we won't resemble Wile E. Coyote on the front of that semi (i.e. flattened, and don't know what hit us). Plus, we'll get to do some preventative maintenance as well as the after the fact type of repairs. Once again, bring your wounded with you.

Date: Thursday, February 19
Location: Staff Development Training Rooms
St. Alphonsus
11624 – 81 Street
Presenter: Vera Ussyk

Cataloguing

Zzzzzzzzzzzzz.. snork, cough. Really!!! Cataloging is not boring. How to consistently, if not correctly, describe your library's materials with just 10 easy rules... OK, so there's more than ten.

See you there for Fun with Cataloging.

Date: Thursday, April 23
Location: Staff Development Training Rooms
St. Alphonsus
11624 – 81 Street
Presenter: Vera Ussyk

Hands On Inventory

This session walks you through the entire library inventory process, from start to finish.

Date: Thursday, May 28
Location: Library, Archbishop O'Leary
8760—132 Avenue
Presenter: Dawn Del Fabbro

Medication Management

Medication Management

Staff Development is very pleased to offer workshops providing information and training on best practices for staff involved in the management of medication for students.

The Workshop

Some students require the administration of medication in order for them to succeed in school. This workshop will present strategies for safe and effective management of oral medications in a school setting. Participants will review the ECS Policy for administration of medication, as well as the procedures outlined in the document *Student Focused Medication Management*. Opportunities for questions and for practice will occur. Please bring a red pen and a black or blue pen to the session.

About HCCS...

Home Care Children's Services (HCCS) ESHIP is a multidisciplinary team (Registered Nurse, Occupational Therapy and Physical Therapy) available to support school aged children (up to 20 years of age) with medical needs. This is accomplished by helping children, their families and those involved in their day to day lives learn the skills required to promote optimum quality of life and meet the child's medical needs at school. We offer individualized needs based student assessments, consultations, care planning, treatment and staff in-servicing to support and promote a child's independence at school.

Cost: \$40.00
 Date: Friday, April 24
 Time: 8:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
 Location: Staff Development Training Rooms
 St. Alphonsus
 11624 – 81 Street
 Presenter: Home Care Children Services - ESHIP
 Questions: Please contact Danny Burrell at 780 441-6031 or burrelld@ecsd.net or Allison Betton 780 441-6114 or bettona@ecsd.net.
 Registration: Please complete an HRS Registration Form and send with payment to Staff Development, Human Resource Services

Notes:

- Registration is first come, first served
- Participation is limited to the first 25 registrations
- Registration is not considered complete until payment is received
- Confirmation of registration will be sent by Staff Development

Nonviolent Crisis Intervention®

Nonviolent Crisis Intervention is a safe, non-harmful behaviour management system designed to help human service providers provide for the best possible care, welfare, safety and security of disruptive, assaultive and out-of-control individuals.

Time: 8:30 a.m.—3:30 p.m.
Location: Staff Development Training Rooms
St. Alphonsus
11624 – 81 Street
Instructor: Danny Burrell
Registration: Please complete an HRS Registration Form and send with payment to Staff Development, Human Resource Services

Notes:

- Wear comfortable clothing
- Lunch will be provided
- Registration is first come, first served.
- A substitute will be provided if necessary

Two Day Certification

If you've never been certified in Nonviolent Crisis Intervention or if you received your certification more than two years ago, then the Two Day Certification workshop is the right choice for you.

Cost: \$85
Dates:

- Wednesday, April 29 and Wednesday, May 6
- Wednesday, May 27 and Wednesday, June 3

One Day Refresher

For those who received their Nonviolent Crisis Intervention certification within the last two years—come refresh your skills and knowledge at this one day workshop.

Cost: \$60
Dates:

- Wednesday, April 15
- Thursday, May 21

Achieving and Maintaining NVCI Certification

To become certified, attend the two-day certification workshop. NVCI Certification is valid for two years.

To maintain your certification, attend a one-day Refresher workshop **before** your certification expires. Completing the Refresher workshop extends your certification for an additional two years.

If you do not attend a Refresher session prior to your certification expiring, you must attend the two-day certification again.

SNTAs: Working with Medically Fragile Students

Respectful Care

This workshop will challenge your notions of what respectful care is and what it means to schools, families and students. We will examine common misconceptions and challenges encountered in providing care to students with special needs.

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Audience: SNTAs
 Date: Thursday, April 30
 Time: 1:00 —3:30 p.m.
 Location: Staff Development Training Rooms
 St. Alphonsus
 11624 – 81 Street
 Presenter: Home Care Children Services - ESHIP
 Questions: Please contact Danny Burrell at 780
 441-6031 or burrelld@ecsd.net or
 Allison Betton 780 441-6114 or
bettona@ecsd.net
 Registration: Please complete an HRS Registration
 Form and to Staff Development, Human
 Resource Services by Thursday, April
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Notes:

- Registration is first come, first served
- Participation is limited to the first 20 registrations
- Confirmation of registration will be sent by Staff Development

Special Needs Teacher Assistants: Early Learning

Early Learning Conference Days: PUF SNTA's

Staff Development, in partnership with the Early Learning Team and MacEwan College, is pleased to offer this professional development series for Early Learning SNTAs.

Sue Kowton and Janie Scheidl, instructors with MacEwan's Special Needs Education Assistant program, will share their expertise on:

- Articulation and Language Delays
- Behaviour Management/Severe Behaviour

One hour of each day will also be facilitated by the Early Learning Team to work with SNTA's on district standards in early learning including ongoing data collection of children and multi-disciplinary strategies/resources that are expected to be integrated into early childhood programs.

New! Participation in the Early Learning Conference Days now earns credit in MacEwan's Special Needs Education Assistant Program!

Audience: Early Learning SNTAs

Series Dates:

1. Wednesday, September 24
2. Wednesday, November 5
3. Wednesday, January 14
4. Wednesday, April 22

Time: 8:30 a.m. —3:30 p.m.

Location: Chateau Louis Conference Centre
11727 Kingsway Avenue
(Conference Centre and parking is behind the hotel)

Coordinators: Staff Development Team

Presenters: Susan Kowton and Janie Scheidl,
Instructors, Special Needs Education
Assistant Program, MacEwan College

The Early Learning Team (including
speech-language pathologists,
occupational therapists, psychologists,
behavioral therapists, physical
therapists and educational consultants)

Registration: All Early Learning SNTAs are expected to attend. Please confirm your registration with Sandra Romanyk, Early Learning, at 780-989-3013 or romanyks@ecsd.net.

Questions: For more information, please contact Staff Development at 780 441-6114.

Part-Time
Staff

If attendance at the full day exceeds your regular FTE, we will have timesheets available for you to complete, to be compensated for the balance of the day.

Replacement
Staff

Limited Replacement Staff are available. Human Resources will do our utmost to meet the demand, but recommend entering the absence in AESOP as soon as possible.

Notes:

- Participants check in begins at 8:00 a.m.
- Participants **must** sign in to receive MacEwan course credits
- Participants **must** attend all four Conference Days to receive MacEwan credit
- Coffee and muffins will be served prior to the session
- Lunch will be provided
- There is no cost for this PD opportunity

Learning Support Services

Professional Development Topics

Learning Support Services provides inservices on many areas including:

Curriculum Programs

- Career and Technology Studies
- Fine Arts
- French Immersion
- Knowledge and Employability
- Language Arts
- Mathematics
- Physical Education and Health
- Science
- Second Languages
- Social Studies

General Programs

- Assessment
- Early Learning
- Elementary
- Film Studies
- Junior High
- High School
- New to a Grade

Programming for Student Success

- AISI
- Content Literacy
- English as a Second Language
- Inclusive Education
- Special Education District Programs

How to Register

Each Learning Support Services session has **specific registration instructions and a deadline**. Please follow the instructions provided to register for Learning Support Services sessions. There is also a contact name included in the session information, if you have questions.

Fine Arts

Music and Literature for School Celebrations

This session will offer ideas for using literature and music at school based celebrations. Participants will receive a CD of celebration music. Celebrations covered include School Opening, Thanksgiving, Remembrance Day, Advent/Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week/Easter and end of school.

Audience: Elementary teachers
 Date: Wednesday, April 22
 Time: 3:45-5:00 p.m.
 Location: Holy Family School
 1710 Mill Woods Rd. E
 Coordinator: S. Moffet
 Presenter(s): S. Moffet, T. Liske & M. Branco-Hayes
 Registration: Please register with Sharon Moore at 780 989-3048 or moores@ecsd.net by Friday, April 17

Opera for Kids

A Workshop for Teachers

This high energy workshop will address the following:

- Opera as an art form
- The difference between opera and musical theatre
- Healthy high-energy warm-ups for children
- Repertoire from Opera Nuova's new show *The Lives of Lesser Things* by Isaiah Bell.

Audience: Elementary & Jr. High music teachers
 Date: Wednesday, May 13
 Time: 3:45-5:00 p.m.
 Location: St. Teresa School
 11350-25 Avenue
 Coordinator: S. Moffet
 Presenter(s): Kim Mattice Wanat
 Registration: Please register with Sharon Moore at 780 989-3048 or moores@ecsd.net by Thursday, May 7

Spring Into Watercolors!

Exploring the Potential of Watercolors!!

This workshop is designed for teachers to explore basic techniques in using the medium of watercolor. We will also engage in some fun activities where teachers chose a project to work on that would be suitable for their grade level. This will also be a sharing session as there are lots of great art ideas in the schools! Please bring along any successful watercolor projects that you have done with your students. No experience required!

Audience: Elementary teachers
 Date: Thursday, May 28
 Time: 1:00-3:30 p.m.
 Location: Room 2B, St. Peter Centre
 7330-113 Street
 Presenter(s): Carole Brosseau
 Registration: Please register with Sharon Moore at 780 989-3048 or moores@ecsd.net by Friday, May 15

Notes:

- Bring watercolor projects done with your students to share with others
- Limit of 30 teachers for this workshop due to space availability
- Bring a camera

Visual Journals

Exploring Art & Text!

The visual journal combines visual and written elements. It is multi-functional and is the perfect tool for engaging students in literacy. It can be used as a safe place for students to take risks in exploring their creativity or to integrate art into the core curriculum. You will play with some of the artful ideas in this hands-on workshop. Come and join us in a fun workshop! No experience required!

Audience: Teachers interested in journaling!
 Date: Monday, April 20
 Time: 1:00-3:30 p.m.
 Location: St. Peter Centre
 7330-113 Street
 Presenter(s): Carole Brosseau
 Registration: Please register with Sharon Moore at 780 989-3048 or moores@ecsd.net by Thursday, April 9

Notes:

- This is an AISI funded initiative!
- There is a limit of 25 teachers for this workshop.

French Immersion

Démystifier le nouveau programme d'études sociales de la 12^e année

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Public : Social Studies (grade 12) teachers

Date : le mercredi 15 avril

Heure : 8 h 30—11 h 30

Lieu : French Language Corner/Gym
St. Peter Centre
7330—113e rue

Présentateur : Denis Potvin

Inscription : Veuillez vous inscrire auprès de Rachel Lécuyer au 780 989-3029 ou lecuyerr@ecsd.net au plus tard le vendredi 10 avril

Language Arts

AISI Literacy Grades 1 - 9 Conference

Let's Talk Literacy!

Choose your own adventure! Select sessions that you feel best fit your needs for the AISI Literacy Project. Meet the Literacy Team and collaborate with your colleagues from around the District.

Audience: Gr. 1-9 teachers

Conference Dates, Locations and Registration

Deadlines:

1. Thursday, January 29
Chateau Louis Conference Centre
11727 Kingsway Avenue
Register by: January 21
2. Thursday, May 28
Fantasyland Hotel Conference Centre
17700-87 Avenue
Register by: May 21

Time: 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Coordinator(s): C. Gannon

Presenter(s): B. Clark, T. Myskiw, S. Mangieri, N. Lafreniere, C. Fenrich, D. Chichak, & H. Dempsey

Registration: Please register with Yvonne Casey at 780 989-4926 or caseyy@ecsd.net

Note(s):

- Please register early for session selections.
- Lunch will be provided.

District Reading Assessment

Teachers New to the District Reading Assessment in the Primary Grades

This session will provide teachers new to grades 1 and 2 with the knowledge and expectations of the Reading Assessment needed for the end of the year District submission. This is a repeat session from last fall.

Audience: Primary teachers-Grades 1 and 2

Date: Wednesday, April 22

Time: 4:00-5:15 p.m.

Location: St. Basil Literacy Centre
10210-115 Avenue

Presenter(s): Brandi Clark

Registration: Please register with Yvonne Casey at 780 989-4926 or caseyy@ecsd.net by Wednesday, April 15

Half Day AISI-Funded Keynote Speaker: Tony Stead

Tony Stead - Nonfiction Writing

Tony Stead, keynote speaker from Australia, will talk with teachers from grades 4, 5, and 6 on nonfiction writing. Teachers will participate in this PD session as an extension of the interschool visitations with a focus on writing.

Audience: Grade 4 Teachers

Date: Wednesday, May 6

Times:

- 8:30-11:30 a.m. **OR**
- 1:00—3:30 p.m.

Audience: Grade 5 Teachers

Date: Thursday, May 7

Times:

- 8:30-11:30 a.m. **OR**
- 1:00—3:30 p.m.

Audience: Grade 6 Teachers

Date: Friday, May 8

Times:

- 8:30-11:30 a.m. **OR**
- 1:00—3:30 p.m.

Location: St. Anthony Meeting Centre
10425-84 Avenue

Coordinator(s): Corine Gannon

Presenter(s): Tony Stead

Registration: Please register with Yvonne Casey at 780 989-4926 or caseyy@ecsd.net **as soon as possible**

Note:

- This is a required PD session for all Division II teachers as part of the AISI Literacy Project. Teachers should register to get the message applicable to their grade level.

Lucy Calkins, Units of Study for the Primary Grades

This session will provide a quick overview for those new to the Units of Study for the primary grades. The specific topic will be announced in February. The Units of Study are intended for grades K-2 but grade three teachers can benefit from the framework and philosophy presented in this session.

Audience: Primary teachers

Date: Tuesday, April 7

Time: 8:30-11:30 a.m.

Location: St. Basil Literacy Centre
10210-115 Avenue

Language Arts, continued

Presenter(s): Brandi Clark
 Registration: Please register with Yvonne Casey at 780 989-4926 or caseyy@ecsd.net by Friday, March 27

Music and Literature for School Celebrations

This session will offer ideas for using literature and music at school based celebrations. Participants will receive a CD of celebration music. Celebrations covered include School Opening, Thanksgiving, Remembrance Day, Advent/Christmas, Ash Wednesday, Holy Week/Easter and end of school.

Audience: Elementary teachers
 Date: Wednesday, April 22
 Time: 3:45-5:00 p.m.
 Location: Holy Family School
 1710 Mill Woods Rd. E
 Coordinator: S. Moffet
 Presenter(s): S. Moffet, T. Liske & M. Branco-Hayes
 Registration: Please register with Sharon Moore at 780 989-3048 or moores@ecsd.net by Friday, April 17

New Secondary English Language Arts Teachers

Once per month teachers new to teaching secondary ELA (either new or experienced teachers) meet to talk about strategies for success in ELA and to discuss issues commonly associated with ELA. This month we will be looking at conventions - teaching and assessing. Lots of resources will be given away. New attendees are always welcome!

Audience: Secondary English Language Arts teachers
 Series Dates:
 1. Wednesday, January 28
 2. Wednesday, February 25
 3. Wednesday, March 25
 Time: 4:00—5:30 p.m.
 Location: St. Peter Centre
 7330 - 113 Street
 Coordinators: Cecilia Fenrich & Nicole Lafreniere
 Registration: Please register with Yvonne Casey at 780 989-4926 or caseyy@ecsd.net

Teachers New to Balanced Literacy, AISI Evergreening

Grade 1, 2, 3 Teachers New to Balanced Literacy

The Balanced Literacy Professional Development Series will be offered to teachers who are new to grades 1, 2 and 3. This series will focus on the principles and management of the components of the Balanced Literacy Framework: word work and components of the reading and writing workshop.

Series Dates, Times and Locations:

Grades 1-2

1. Tuesday, October 21
8:30—11:30 a.m.
St. Basil Literacy Centre
10210-115 Avenue
2. Wednesday, December 16
8:30—11:30 a.m.
Room 2A/2B, St. Peter Centre
7330-113 Street
3. Tuesday, March 24
8:30—11:30 a.m.
St. Basil Literacy Centre
10210-115 Avenue

Grade 3

1. Tuesday, October 21
1:00—4:00 p.m.
St. Basil Literacy Centre
10210-115 Avenue
2. Wednesday, December 16
1:00—4:00 p.m.
Room 2A/2B, St. Peter Centre
7330-113 Street
3. Tuesday, March 24
1:00—3:30 p.m.
St. Basil Literacy Centre
10210-115 Avenue

Presenter(s): Brandi Clark
 Registration: Please register with Yvonne Casey at 780 989-4926 or caseyy@ecsd.net

Note(s):

- Replacement teacher costs will be covered by AISI for new teachers.

Mathematics

First Steps in Mathematics - AISI

First Steps in Mathematics is an exciting new research-based course developed in Australia. Teachers will gain confidence in teaching mathematics as they learn about the developmental stages of student mathematical thinking through rich diagnostic tasks, engaging classroom learning tasks and great activities for helping struggling students.

Audience: AISI Primary Mathematical Literacy Project teachers

Dates:

1. Thursday, September 11
2. Thursday, October 23
3. Thursday, January 15
4. Thursday, February 5
5. Wednesday, April 16

Time: 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Location: Room 7, St. Anthony Meeting Centre
10425-84 Avenue

Presenter(s): Lorelei Gibeau

Notes:

- Sub costs covered through AISI

First Steps in Mathematics - District

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Cost: \$175/teacher - for course materials

Audience: K-3 Teachers

Dates:

1. Thursday, September 18
2. Thursday, October 30
3. Thursday, January 29
4. Thursday, March 5
5. Wednesday, April 9

Time: 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Location: Room 7, St. Anthony Meeting Centre
10425-84 Avenue

Presenter(s): Lorelei Gibeau

Notes:

- Sub costs are the responsibility of individual schools.
- Attendance at all sessions is required

Mathematics PLC - AISI

These half-day sessions are for teachers in the Primary Mathematical Literacy Project who have completed both Young Mathematicians At Work and First Steps. These collaborative planning sessions will also include goal-setting throughout the year, the examination of student work and the development of intervention strategies.

Audience: AISI Primary Mathematical Literacy Project teachers

Dates and Times:

1. Thursday, September 25
8:30 a.m.-noon
2. Monday, November 3
1:00-4:00 p.m.
3. Monday, January 12
1:00-4:00 p.m.
4. Monday, March 9
1:00- 4:00 p.m.
5. Thursday, May 28
8:30 a.m.-noon

Location: Room 6, St. Anthony Meeting Centre
10425-84 Avenue

Presenter(s): Lorelei Gibeau

Registration: Automatic through AISI

Notes:

- Sub costs covered through AISI

New Grade 2 Mathematics Program Implementation

Patterns & Relations and Shape & Space

This session will help Grade 2 teachers prepare for changes to the Alberta Program of Studies for Mathematics for the Patterns & Relations and Shape & Space Strands. Many classroom tasks will be explored, as well as ideas for differentiating instruction and assessing student learning. Copies of the new program will be provided to participants.

Audience: Grade 2 Teachers

Group: Bishop Greschuk, Bishop Savaryn, Father Leo Green, Katherine Therrien, St. Angela, St. Anne, St. Charles, St. Dominic, St. Edmund, St. Gerard, St. John Bosco, St. Matthew, St. Philip, St. Lucy, St. Timothy

Date: Monday, May 4

Mathematics, continued

Group: Archbishop Joseph MacNeil, Frere Antoine, Holy Family ,Mary Hanley, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, St. Augustine, St. Boniface, St. Clement, St. Elizabeth, St. Martin, St. Mary, St. Richard, St. Stanislaus, St. Teresa

Date: Monday, May 11

Group: Anne Fitzgerald, Ben Calf Robe, Blessed Kateri, JH Picard, John Paul I, Mother Teresa, St. Alphonsus, St. Bernadette, St. Bonaventure, St. Brendan, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Gabriel, St. James, St. Jerome, St. Leo, St. Maria Goretti, St. Pius X, St. Vladimir

Date: Monday, May 25

Group: Annunciation, Grandin, Good Shepherd, Holy Cross, Our Lady of Peace, Our Lady of Prairies, Our Lady of Victories, St. Basil, St. Benedict, St. Catherine, St. Justin, St. Martha, St. Paul, St. Vincent

Date: Wednesday, May 27

Time: 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Location: Room 7, St. Anthony Meeting Centre
10425-84 Avenue

Presenter(s): Amy Swinkels

Registration: Please register with Jan Doblanko at 780 989-3011 or doblankoj@ecsd.net by Friday, April 24

Note(s):

- The costs for replacement teachers for this session is to be covered by the school.
- Light morning snacks will be provided, however lunch will be the responsibility of individual participants.

New Grade 2 Mathematics Program Implementation

Great Ideas to Get You Started in the Number Strand

This session will help Grade 2 teachers prepare for changes to the Alberta Program of Studies for Mathematics. We will explore the big ideas in the Number strand, many classroom tasks for the Number strand, and ideas for differentiating instruction and assessing student learning. Copies of the new program will be provided to participants.

Audience: Grade 2 Teachers

Group: Bishop Greschuk, Bishop Savaryn, Father Leo Green, Katherine Therrien, St. Angela, St. Anne, St. Charles, St. Dominic, St. Edmund, St. Gerard, St. John Bosco, St. Matthew, St. Philip, St. Lucy, St. Timothy

Date: Monday, June 1

Group: Archbishop Joseph MacNeil, Frere Antoine, Holy Family ,Mary Hanley, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, St. Augustine, St. Boniface, St. Clement, St. Elizabeth, St. Martin, St. Mary, St. Richard, St. Stanislaus, St. Teresa

Date: Wednesday, June 3

Group: Anne Fitzgerald, Ben Calf Robe, Blessed Kateri, JH Picard, John Paul I, Mother Teresa, St. Alphonsus, St. Bernadette, St. Bonaventure, St. Brendan, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Gabriel, St. James, St. Jerome, St. Leo, St. Maria Goretti, St. Pius X, St. Vladimir

Date: Monday, June 8

Group: Annunciation, Grandin, Good Shepherd, Holy Cross, Our Lady of Peace, Our Lady of Prairies, Our Lady of Victories, St. Basil, St. Benedict, St. Catherine, St. Justin, St. Martha, St. Paul, St. Vincent

Date: Wednesday, June 10

Time: 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

Location: Room 7, St. Anthony Meeting Centre
10425-84 Avenue

Presenter(s): Amy Swinkels

Registration: Please register with Jan Doblanko at 780 989-3011 or doblankoj@ecsd.net by Friday, May 22

Note(s):

- The costs for replacement teachers for this session is to be covered by the school.
- Light morning snacks will be provided, however lunch will be the responsibility of individual participants.

Mathematics, continued

New Grade 5 Mathematics Program Implementation

Great Ideas to Get You Started in the Number Strand

This session will help Grade 5 teachers prepare for changes to the Alberta Program of Studies for Mathematics. In this session we will not only explore the big ideas in the number strand, but many classroom tasks for the Number strand will be explored, as well as ideas for differentiating instruction and assessing student learning. Copies of the new program will be provided to participants.

Audience: Grade 5 Teachers

Group: Anne Fitzgerald, Bishop Greschuk, Bishop Savaryn, Father Leo Green, Katherine Therrien, Sir John Bosco, St. Angela, St. Anne, St. Bonaventure, St. Charles, St. Dominic, St. Edmund, St. Elizabeth Seton, St. Francis of Assisi, St. Lucy, St. Maria Goretti, St. Matthew, St. Philip, St. Timothy, St. Vladimir

Date: Friday, May 1

Group: Grade Five teachers from: Annunciation, Ben Calf Robe, Grandin, Holy Cross, Mother Teresa, Our Lady of Peace, Our Lady of Victories, St. Alphonsus, St. Basil, St. Benedict, St. Bernadette, St. Brendan, St. Catherine, St. Gabriel, St. Gerard, St. James, St. Jerome, St. Justin, St. Leo, St. Paul, St. Pius X, St. Vincent

Date: Wednesday, May 13

Group: Grade Five teachers from: Archbishop Joseph MacNeil, Blessed Kateri, Frere Antoine, Good Shepherd, JH Picard, John Paul I, Holy Family, Mary Hanley, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Our Lady of Prairies, St. Augustine, St. Boniface, St. Clement, St. Elizabeth, St. Martha, St. Mary, St. Martin, St. Richard, St. Stanislaus, St. Teresa

Date: Wednesday, May 20

Time: 8:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Location: Room 7, St. Anthony Meeting Centre
10425-84 Avenue

Presenter(s): Amy Swinkels
Registration: Please register with Jan Doblanko at 780 989-3011 or doblanko@ecsd.net by Friday, April 24

Note(s):

- The costs for replacement teachers for this session is to be covered by the school.
- Light morning snacks will be provided, however lunch will be the responsibility of individual participants.

Young Mathematicians At Work - AISI

Young Mathematicians at Work provides a new look at the teaching of computation. It helps teachers develop a deep understanding of how to guide children in developing real number sense rather than just rote procedures and facility with algorithms. This series of five full day sessions includes: reading and collegial discussion time, sharing of student work, and individualized learning using a computer-based programs including videos from real classrooms. Teachers will develop a solid understanding of both mathematics and how children learn, building a landscape of learning that will drive their daily classroom instruction.

Audience: AISI Primary Mathematical Literacy teachers

Dates and:

1. Friday, October 24
Room 2A/B, St. Peter Centre
7330-113 Street
2. Wednesday, December 10
Room 7, St. Anthony Centre
10425-84 Avenue
3. Wednesday, January 28
Room 7, St. Anthony Centre
10425-84 Avenue
4. Wednesday, February 18
Room 6, St. Anthony Centre
10425-84 Avenue
5. Wednesday, April 8
Room 6, St. Anthony Centre
10425-84 Avenue

Time: 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
Presenter(s): Lorelei Gibeau
Registration: Registration automatic through AISI
Notes:

- AISI Primary Mathematical Literacy teachers only
- Sub costs covered through AISI

Mathematics, continued

Young Mathematicians At Work - District

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Cost:	\$30
Audience:	K-3 teachers
Dates and: locations	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Thursday, October 9 Room 7, St. Anthony Centre 10425-84 Avenue 2. Thursday, December 11 Room 7, St. Anthony Centre 10425-84 Avenue 3. Thursday, January 22 Room 7, St. Anthony Centre 10425-84 Avenue 4. Thursday, February 19 Room 6, St. Anthony Centre 10425-84 Avenue 5. Wednesday, April 30 Room 6, St. Anthony Centre 10425-84 Avenue

Time: 9:00 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

Presenter(s): Lorelei Gibeau

Registration: Registration full

Notes:

- Sub costs are the responsibility of individual schools

Physical Education and Health

A Bundle of Cooperative Games

Come out and explore how to maximize student participation through a variety of cooperative games that use basic equipment! You will be able to leave this session with a bundle of ideas to take back to your physical education or DPA class.

Audience: All Elementary Teachers
 Date: Wednesday, April 22
 Time: 4:00-5:00 p.m.
 Location: TSA
 Presenter: Cheryl Shinkaruk
 Registration: Please register with Sharon Moore at 780 989-3048 or moores@ecsd.net by Tuesday, April 14

Notes:

- Be prepared to participate!

Mental Health Kit Promotion

Come out and learn how to use the Mental Health Kit that was sent to each elementary school for grades 4 - 6. We will explore the topic "what is positive mental wellness" with our students and as a teacher how you can use the lesson plans to promote mental wellness within your classroom/school.

Audience: All grade 4-6 Health and Life Skills teachers
 Date: Thursday, May 28
 Time: 1:15-3:00 p.m.
 Location: St. Anthony Meeting Centre
 10425-84 Avenue
 Presenter: Cheryl Shinkaruk
 Registration: Please register with Sharon Moore at 780 989-3048 or moores@ecsd.net by Friday, May 22

Notes:

- Bring along your Mental Health Kit.

Safety Guidelines for Physical Activity in Alberta Schools

The new document, *Safety Guidelines for Physical Activity in Alberta Schools*, has been released for teachers. Come out and examine the key safety components that you need to incorporate into your classes.

We will explore various activities that can be safely introduced into your physical education classes to meet the outcomes from the Program of Studies.

Audience: All Elementary/Junior High P.E. teachers
 Date: Monday, May 11
 Time: 4:00-5:00 p.m.
 Location: St. Peter Centre
 7330-113 Street
 Presenter: Cheryl Shinkaruk
 Registration: Please register with Sharon Moore at 780 989-3048 or moores@ecsd.net by Monday, May 4

Science

Biology 30 Inservice

Inservice for Biology 30 teachers

Audience: Biology 30 teachers
 Series Dates:

1. Tuesday, September 23
Register by: Friday, September 19
2. Friday, November 21
Register by: Friday, November 14
3. Monday, March 9
Register by: Monday, March 2
4. Monday, May 4
Register by: Monday, April 28

Time: 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
 Location: Room 2A, St. Peter Centre
 7330-113 Street
 Presenter(s): Daryl Chichak
 Registration: Please register with Sharon Moore at 780
 989-3048 or moores@ecsd.net
 Note(s):

- Use code 84 for substitute

Science 20/30 Inservice

Inservice for Science 20/30 teachers

Audience: Science 20/30 teachers
 Series Dates and Locations:

1. Wednesday, September 17
Basilian House of Studies
12909–113 Avenue
Register by: Friday, September 12
2. Wednesday, November 12
Room 2A, St. Peter Centre
7330-113 Street
Register by: Friday, November 7
3. Wednesday, March 4
Room 2B, St. Peter Centre
7330-113 Street
Register by: Wednesday, February 25
4. Tuesday, April 28
Room 2A, St. Peter Centre
7330-113 Street
Register by: Thursday, April 23

Time: 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
 Presenter(s): Daryl Chichak
 Registration: Please register with Sharon Moore at
 780 989-3048 or moores@ecsd.net
 Note(s):

- Use code 84 for substitute

Second Languages

French Second Language: New Approach to the Guide to Implementation

Using Effective Literacy Practices in FSL: "Making Connections"

This is a series of four workshops that will focus on the new Implementation Guide for FSL grades 4 to 12, as well as the study of a new professional resource for FSL *Making Connections* where effective literacy practices are at the center of curriculum delivery.

The first session will focus on:

- New Implementation Guide: 1 - Program Design. 2 - Implementation of the FSL Program of Studies 3 - Teaching in the FSL Classroom
- *Making Connections*: 1 - Setting the Context: Literacy in FSL 2 - Big Idea: Engaging and Motivating Students, and Integrating Oral Language

The second session will focus on:

- New Implementation Guide: 1 - Planning for Instruction. 2 - Instructional Techniques and Strategies
- *Making Connections*: 1 - Big Ideas: Developing Language Awareness, Assessing and Differentiating, Activating Strategies. 2 - Comprehensive Strategies

The third session will focus on:

- New Implementation Guide: 1 - Meeting the Needs of All Students. 2 - Classroom Assessment
- *Making Connections*: 1 - Comprehension Strategies (cont.): Make Prediction, Monitor and Repair Comprehension, Make Connections

The fourth session will focus on:

- New Implementation Guide: 1 - Classroom Assessment (cont.). 2 - Using Technology to Support Second Language Learning
- *Making Connections*: 1 - Comprehension Strategies (cont.): Visualize, Summarize, Synthesize, Analyze and Evaluate

Audience: Grades 4 –12 FSL Teachers
Dates:

1. Tuesday, February 10
2. Tuesday, March 3
3. Tuesday, April 21
4. Monday, May 11

← Date change!

Time: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
Location: Room 2A/2B
St. Peter Centre
7330-113 Street

Presenters: Denis Potvin & Magda Tundak
Registration: Please register with Rachel Lecuyer at 780 989-3029 or lecuyerr@ecsd.net

Social Studies

Démystifier le nouveau programme d'études sociales de la 12^e année

L'intention pédagogique de cette rencontre sera de prendre connaissance des nouvelles attentes et demandes que demandera l'introduction du nouveau programme d'études de la douzième année (30-1/30-2), ainsi qu'une exploration de développement d'une stratégie commune afin de répondre aux attentes du nouveau processus d'enquête. Également, une discussion sur l'utilisation future du Portal MY ECSD sera amorcée.

Public : Social Studies (grade 12) teachers
 Date : le mercredi 15 avril
 Heure : 8 h 30—11 h 30
 Lieu : French Language Corner/Gym
 St. Peter Centre
 7330—113e rue
 Présentateur : Denis Potvin
 Inscription : Veuillez vous inscrire auprès de Rachel Lécuyer au 780 989-3029 ou lecuyerr@ecsd.net au plus tard le vendredi 10 avril

K-3 Social Studies

NEW Learn Alberta

Come and explore the NEW Learn Alberta website! This hands-on session will give teachers an opportunity to explore this planning tool by providing them with access to supporting examples, resources and professional development information. Teachers will also be guided through the process of setting up a personal workspace where resources can be saved. Be amazed by the literature lists, images and helpful web links!

Audience: K-3 Social Studies teachers
 Date: Thursday, May 28
 Time: 1:15 - 3:30 p.m.
 Location: TBA
 Presenter(s): Heidi Dempsey
 Registration: Please register with Jan Doblanko at 780 989-3011 or doblankoj@ecsd.net by Thursday, May 21

Note:

- Please bring your teacher certification number with you in order to set up a personal workspace.

Assessment

District Reading Assessment

Teachers New to the District Reading Assessment in the Primary Grades

This session will provide teachers new to grades 1 and 2 with the knowledge and expectations of the Reading Assessment needed for the end of the year District submission. This is a repeat session from last fall.

Audience: Primary teachers-Grades 1 and 2
 Date: Wednesday, April 22
 Time: 4:00-5:15 p.m.
 Location: St. Basil Literacy Centre
 10210-115 Avenue
 Presenter(s): Brandi Clark
 Registration: Please register with Yvonne Casey at 780-989-4926 or caseyy@ecsd.net by Wednesday, April 15

K-Bit Level B Assessment

This two part workshop will provide the applicants with the background knowledge and practical skill required to complete K-Bit Assessment independently. A Certificate of Proficiency will be issued upon successful completion of both workshops and required assessments.

Audience: Teachers
 Series Dates: 1. Thursday, May 21
 2. Thursday, June 4
 Time: 1:15—3:30 p.m.
 Location: Rm 2A, St. Peter Centre
 7330-113 Street
 Presenter(s): David Zacharko & Cory Donald
 Registration: Please register with Linda Carter at 780-780-989-3012 or carterl@ecsd.net.

ESL Woodcock-Munoz Language Survey (WMLS) Training Session

Participants will receive training in administering the WMLS - Tests 1 -7 in order to identify students who may qualify for ESL funding. The WMLS is a Level B assessment and teachers must be trained before being able to administer it. This is a training session only. Information about year end assessment and changes for 2009-2010 will be addressed on May 12.

Audience: Teachers New to ESL
 Date: Thursday, May 28
 Time: 1:00-3:45 p.m.
 Location: Rm. 347, ESL Centre
 Third floor, NE Corner
 St. Joseph High School
 10830-109 Street
 Presenter(s): JoAnne Snihurowych
 Registration: Please register with Lidija Simcisin at 780-426-4375 or simcisinl@ecsd.net by Friday, May 22

Note:

- Parking is available on 110 Street adjacent to the school field, on the east side of the street between St. Joseph and St. Catherine schools.

Early Learning

Early Learning Conference Days: PUF SNTA's

Staff Development, in partnership with the Early Learning Team and MacEwan College, is pleased to offer this professional development series for Early Learning SNTAs.

Sue Kowton and Janie Scheidl, instructors with MacEwan's Special Needs Education Assistant program, will share their expertise on:

- Articulation and Language Delays
- Behaviour Management/Severe Behaviour

One hour of each day will also be facilitated by the Early Learning Team to work with SNTA's on district standards in early learning including ongoing data collection of children and multi-disciplinary strategies/resources that are expected to be integrated into early childhood programs.

New! Participation in the Early Learning Conference Days now earns credit in MacEwan's Special Needs Education Assistant Program!

Audience: Early Learning SNTAs

Series Dates:

1. Wednesday, September 24
2. Wednesday, November 5
3. Wednesday, January 14
4. Wednesday, April 22

Time: 8:30 a.m. —3:30 p.m.

Location: Chateau Louis Conference Centre
11727 Kingsway Avenue
(Conference Centre and parking is behind the hotel)

Coordinators: Staff Development Team

Presenters: Susan Kowton and Janie Scheidl, Instructors, Special Needs Education Assistant Program, MacEwan College. The Early Learning Team (including speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, psychologists, behavioral therapists, physical therapists and educational consultants)

Registration: All Early Learning SNTAs are expected to attend. Please confirm your registration with Sandra Romanyk, Early Learning, at 780-989-3013 or romanyks@ecsd.net.

Questions: For more information, please contact Staff Development at 780 441-6114.

Part-Time Staff

If attendance at the full day exceeds your regular FTE, we will have timesheets available for you to complete, to be compensated for the balance of the day.

Replacement Staff

Limited Replacement Staff are available. Human Resources will do our utmost to meet the demand, but recommend entering the absence in AESOP as soon as possible.

Notes:

- Participants check in begins at 8:00 a.m.
- Participants **must** sign in to receive MacEwan course credits
- Participants **must** attend all four Conference Days to receive MacEwan credit
- Coffee and muffins will be served prior to the session
- Lunch will be provided
- There is no cost for this PD opportunity

English as a Second Language

AISI ESL Project: Achieving Academic Potential in Language and Content for English as a Second Language Students

Year Three and Project End In Review: Elementary and Secondary

Celebrating Success:

Sustaining the Linguistic and Academic Achievements of ELL's Through Best Practices

At project completion, teachers will reflect on changes made in their own teaching practice and at their school. They will give feedback regarding the strategies used to engage English language learners and support fuller access to content. Teachers will reflect on the successful strategies used for culturally responsive teaching and learning. They will also identify approaches that will sustain best practices to continue to meet the complex linguistic and cultural needs of their ELL's.

Audience: AISI ESL Project School Participants - Elementary and Secondary ESL designates
 Date: Tuesday, May 5
 Time: 8:30-11:45 a.m.
 Location: Rm. 347, ESL Centre
 Third floor, NE Corner
 St. Joseph High School
 10830-109 Street
 Presenter(s): Karen deMilliano & Kerri McLaughlin-Phillips
 Registration: Please register with Lidija Simcisin at 780-426-4375 or simcisinl@ecsd.net by Friday, May 1

Note(s):

- Cost of substitutes will be covered by the AISI project.
- Book a substitute through AESOP.
- Use Code 84.
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ESL Woodcock-Munoz Language Survey (WMLS) Training Session

Participants will receive training in administering the WMLS - Tests 1 -7 in order to identify students who may qualify for ESL funding. The WMLS is a Level B assessment and teachers must be trained before being able to administer it. This is a training session only. Information about year end assessment and changes for 2009-2010 will be addressed on May 12.

Audience: Teachers New to ESL
 Date: Thursday, May 28
 Time: 1:00-3:45 p.m.
 Location: Rm. 347, ESL Centre
 Third floor, NE Corner
 St. Joseph High School
 10830-109 Street
 Presenter(s): JoAnne Snihurowych
 Registration: Please register with Lidija Simcisin at 780-426-4375 or simcisinl@ecsd.net by Friday, May 22

Note:

- Parking is available on 110 Street adjacent to the school field, on the east side of the street between St. Joseph and St. Catherine schools.

ESL Year-End Assessment and Changes to Student Information Form and SASI Data Entry for ESL September 2009

Teachers who are **new** to ESL in 2008-2009 or for the 2009-2010 year will be informed of the process of year-end assessment and preparation and changes for assessment for the 2009-10 school year. The new format for gathering information for the SIF and data entry into SASI will be presented. Changes to year end English Proficiency assessment protocol will be addressed.

Audience: ESL teacher contacts (New in 2008-2009)
 Date: Tuesday, May 12
 Time: 1:00-3:30 p.m.
 Location: Rm. 347, ESL Centre
 Third floor, NE Corner
 St. Joseph High School
 10830-109 Street

English as a Second Language, cont.

Presenter(s): JoAnne Snihurowych & Karen deMilliano
- ESL Consultants
Registration: Please register with Lidija Simcisin at 780
-426-4375 or simcisinl@ecsd.net by
Friday, May 8

Note(s):

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ESL Year-End Assessment and Changes to Student Information Form (SIF) and SASI Data Entry for ESL September 2009

The new format for gathering student information for the ESL SIF and data entry into SASI will be presented to experienced ESL teachers. Changes to year end English Proficiency assessment protocol will be addressed.

Audience: ESL Teachers (Experienced)
Date: Monday, May 25
Time: 3:30-4:30 p.m.
Location: Rm. 347, ESL Centre
Third floor, NE Corner
St. Joseph High School
10830-109 Street
Presenter(s): JoAnne Snihurowych & Karen deMilliano
- ESL Consultants
Registration: Please register with Lidija Simcisin at 780
-426-4375 or simcisinl@ecsd.net by
Thursday, May 21

Note:

- Parking is available on 110 Street adjacent to the school field, on the east side of the street between St. Joseph and St. Catherine schools.

Inclusive Education

Code 40 Inservice - Grades 1 to 12

Special Education File Preparation

All documents required to receive funding for severe special education students will be presented and reviewed. This will prepare schools to begin the work of completing the forms needed for 2009 - 2010 funding year. Each school is required to send at least one representative to one of the days.

Audience: Code 40 Designates

Repeat Workshops

Dates:

- Monday, May 11
Register by: Wednesday, May 6
- Wednesday, May 13
Register by: Friday, May 8

Time: 4:00-5:30 p.m.

Location: Room 7, St. Anthony Meeting Centre
10425-84 Avenue

Coordinator: Cathy Sitko

Presenter(s): LSS Special Education Programming
Consultants

Registration: Please register with Linda Carter at 780
989-3012 or carterl@ecsd.net

Special Education District Programs

District Program Share and Learn

Looking at the WFAS, Transitions and Case Conferences

This session will consist of two parts. One part will focus on the Wechsler Fundamental Academic Skills assessment pilot project. The second part will focus on transition planning and case conferences.

Audience: District Program teachers

Date: Thursday, April 23

Time: 1:00-4:00 p.m.

Location: St. Peter Centre
7330-113 Street

Presenter(s): Special Education consultants

Registration: Please register with Linda Carter at 780
989-3012 or carterl@ecsd.net by April 9

Note:

- Refreshments will be provided.