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What's New!

"Must See" Resources

All of the resources mentioned in this newsletter have been collected from school districts and educators across the province. They can be accessed on our [CISPG.ca website](http://CISPG.ca) under Programs, Curriculum & Instruction. Please try to visit our website frequently. I will continue to update as resources are shared across BC.

BC SCHOOL DISTRICT WEBSITES

Delta Learns

This is an amazing, user-friendly website that addresses a variety of topics across the curriculum. Of note is the emphasis on collaborative teamwork. Check out the following resources on this site:

Elementary Literacy - Here teachers and school teams will find everything they need to set up an effective balanced literacy program designed to help all students build a strong foundation in reading and writing.

Secondary Literacy - This is a great resource for discipline-focused reading in secondary subject areas.

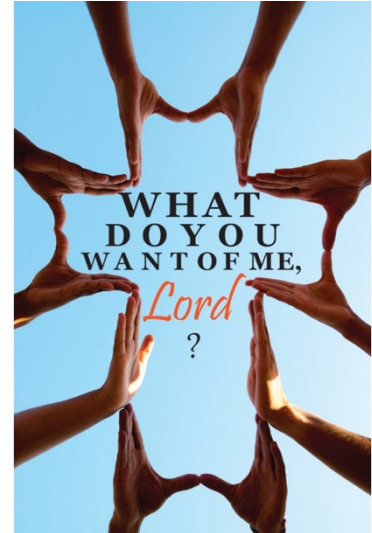
K-3 Physical Literacy - This is a user-friendly resource on K-3 fundamental movement skills

Just One Thing - This site is designed to help teams of educators develop AFL practices (learning targets/criteria).

Learning & Leading in CISPG

Hello everyone! This update is intended for anyone who works and learns in CISPG schools. Hopefully, it will provide information and resources about the redesigned BC curriculum and "what really matters" in innovative and inspiring learning communities. If you have any questions or suggestions, please email me: froch@cispg.ca. I am looking forward to another year of learning adventures with you!




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Evening With Darren Spyskma

Immaculate Conception School staff and community invite you to join them for an evening with Darren Spyskma. Darren is Director of Learning for the Society of Christian Schools in BC. He enjoys supporting educators and school communities in imagining and designing learning for students.

In his presentation, Darren will address topics such as:

-  Standards based grading
-  Communication and reporting to parents
-  Redesigned curriculum and inquiry-based learning

Date: Monday, November 19, 2018

Time: 7:00 - 8:30 pm

Location: Immaculate Conception School Parish Hall, Prince George

Audience: Parents, educators, community members



“Must See” Resources

NVSD44 Curriculum Hub

This is an exceptional site that includes current research, tools and examples of planners, assessment and support materials to successfully implement the new curriculum. Note the work on the core competencies and unit plans.

Surrey SD Core Competencies

The purpose of this resource is to provide support for teachers in assisting students to meaningfully self-assess the Core Competencies – Communication, Thinking, and Personal and Social. Of special note are the Surrey Self-Assessment of Core Competencies Handbooks for Elementary and Secondary. These pdf files are “must-have” resources for every teacher!

OTHER PROVINCIAL RESOURCE WEBSITES

United Library Services: ULS offers selected lists of resources: e.g. Adrienne Gear’s Reading Power Top Picks.

FOLLOW ...

Some of the best professional learning takes place on twitter. You may wish to follow some of these outstanding educators:

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Focus on the Foundations 2018-2019

As part of our CISP G Learning Plan, we will focus on the foundations of the redesigned curriculum in the coming year – specifically literacy. Each school has been gifted a set of core literacy resources written by Miriam Trehearne to support primary classrooms: Multiple Paths To Literacy (K-2), Kindergarten Teacher’s Resource Book and Language Arts Grade 1-2 Teacher’s Resource Book. You may wish to refer to these excellent books when designing your primary program through the year.

As well, attached to this email are two primary resources for further reference: Literacy Essential Learning by Nancy Reid, SD #57; and Phonological and Phonemic Awareness Curriculum Maps by Linda O’Reilly, Educational Consultant. Both documents are very helpful in terms of making explicit the “essential” literacy skills in grades K-3 and key resources that support early learning.

Classroom Assessment and Reporting

The latest CISP G Communicating Student Learning (CSL) Guidelines document for 2018-2019 has been sent to schools. This document will also be available on our CISP G website shortly. The CISP G Guidelines document was accompanied by the “Delta Benchmarks” for the core subject areas of literacy, numeracy, social studies and science. The Delta documents are very helpful for considering student learning “benchmarks” (they work really well enlarged to 11X17). They can also be found on the CISP G website.

As well, the BC Ministry of Education has recently released new materials that are aligned to the redesigned curriculum model and support classroom assessment: Classroom Assessment Resources Package – English Language Arts; Classroom Assessment Resources Package – Math; Classroom Assessment Resources Package – Science; and Classroom Assessment Resources Package – Socials.

Save the Date!

TREVOR MACKENZIE

Date: Friday, May 31, 2019

Time: 8:45 am - 3:00 pm

Location: Smithers or Prince Rupert

Trevor Mackenzie, author of ‘Dive Into Inquiry: Amplify Learning and Empower Student Voice’ and co-author of ‘Inquiry Mindset: Nurturing the Dreams, Wonders and Curiosities of our Youngest Learners’ will be presenting in our “western hub” in May.

Stay tuned for more information!