

End of Summer FLEX Pro D Day offerings, August 30th, 2022

August 30th Full Day

1. **Jennifer Hedican – *Right Brain Reading***, Huband Park El. Multi-Purpose Room (or virtual), grades K-9, 8:30AM-2:30PM. Max. participants = 20.
2. **Heidi Jungwirth – *Planning for Success in a Complex Classroom***, Courtenay El., room 204, 8:45AM-2:30PM. Max. participants = 20.
3. **Heather Willms – *Building Your Reading Toolbox***, Queneesh Elementary School Gym, K-4, 8:30AM-2:00PM. Max. participants = 40.

August 30th, AM

4. **Dawn Anderson – *Design Thinking: Interdisciplinary Action Project lessons that support student exploration of the UN Sustainability Goals***, Sandwick Technical, grades 4-10. 9:00-11:00AM. Max. participants = 25.
5. **Jacque Anderson - *What Do Learners Do? Play as learning in Early Primary***, Learning Resource Centre Meeting Room, Strong Start -grade 2, 9:00-11:30AM. Max. participants = 25.
6. **Meaghan Cursons & Christina (Tina) Willard-Stepan – *Voyageur Canoe: Connected by Water***, Comox Lake Park, grades K-12, 10:00AM-12:00PM. Max. participants = 25
7. **Larry Green – *The Neurobiology of Learning***, Mark R. Isfeld Secondary, room 302, all grade levels, 9:00AM-12:00PM. Max. participants = 25.
8. **Jina Taylor – *Incorporating Fundamental Movement Skills into you Physical Literacy Program***, Cumberland Community School GYM, K-3, 9:00AM-12:00PM. Max. participants = 25.
9. **Kara Dawson – *Using Computer Technology in Comox Valley Schools for Beginners***, Location TBD, K-12, 9:00-11:30AM. Max participants = 25.
10. **Julie Shields – *MyEd ~ More than Just the Basics***, Vanier Secondary Computer Lab, for Secondary Teachers, 9:00-11:00AM. Max. participants = 25.
11. **Jeannie DeBoice, Numeracy Consultant - *Well Played: Building Mathematical Thinking through Number Sense Games and Puzzles***, Glacier View Gym, Early Years – grade 5, 8:30-11:30AM. Max. participants = 30.

August 30th, PM

12. **Joan Pearce – *Exploration of the LRC***, Learning Resource Centre Meeting Room, Strong Start -grade 7, 1:00-3:00PM. Max. participants = 20.
13. **Meghan Grzeslo – *Mindfulness for Early Primary/Primary***, location TBD, grades K-2, 1:00-3:00PM. Max. participants = 20.
14. **Kara Dawson - *Using Your Projector/Smartboard and Lumio (formerly Smart Notebook) to Engage Your Class and Make Your Job Easier***, Location TBD, K-12, 12:30-3:00PM. Max. participants = 25.
15. **Robert Russell-Atkinson & John MacKenzie – *The Nurtured Heart Approach***, Cumberland Community School MPR, K-12, 12:30-3:00 Max. participants = 20.
16. **Jeannie DeBoice, Numeracy Consultant - *Number Sense Routines: Building Mathematical Thinking Every Day***, Glacier View Gym, Early Years–grade 5, 1:00-3:00PM. Max. participants = 35.

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August 30th Full Day Workshops

1. Right Brain Reading

Time: 8:30AM-2:30PM

Grade level: K-9

Location: Huband Park Elementary School Multi-Purpose Room

Presenter: Jennifer Hedican

Workshop description:

Do you have some students, that despite intensive and targeted intervention, are still not reading as well as they should be? Neuroimaging research helps explain why these difficulties occur and this method provides a new way to teach them that is engaging and very successful. Learn how to do a Right Brain Reading method and help those students that haven't been making expected progress! This workshop is active and hands-on and has templates that you can start using right away.

Maximum number of participants: 20

Register directly through Jennifer at Jennifer.Hedican@sd71.bc.ca

2. Planning for Success in a Complex Classroom

Time: 8:45AM-2:30-PM

Grade level: K-9

Location: Courtenay Elementary, room 204

Presenter: Heidi Jungwirth

Workshop description:

Are you working in a classroom that has students who we would call "complex"? The modern inclusive classroom includes students with a variety of needs that you may have never encountered before. This can be challenging and sometimes overwhelming for a teacher.

The purpose of this workshop is to share ways to set up and run your classroom for success, even when you have students with a variety of needs. The strategies you will learn will help you to manage your complex students in an efficient, positive and relationship focused way.

We will spend the morning learning about ways to organize your classroom, manage student behaviour, establish positive relationships with parents, and plan for individualized instruction. The afternoon will be a sharing/Q&A, with time for honest conversation about the challenges of teaching complex students.

As a follow-up to this session there is planned to be a monthly drop-in meeting where teachers can build capacity around teaching complex students. It is also hoped that through these monthly meetings, teachers will find support and build community with colleagues.

Maximum number of participants = 20.

Register directly through Heidi at Heidi.Jungwirth@sd71.bc.ca

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3. Building Your Reading Toolbox

Time: 8:30AM-2:00PM, Grade level K-4
Queneesh Elementary School Gym
Presenter: Heather Willms

Workshop description:

Build your reading instruction toolbox with evidence-based strategies that will move your readers forward! Phonics strategies will range from learning letters and sounds to vowel teams. Fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension strategies will also be addressed. Teachers will make and use take home sample materials that they can replicate for their students.

What to bring: magnetic plastic letters - shapes - not tiles, small whiteboard/dry erase pen/eraser
3 ring binder with 1 1/2" spine, scissors for cutting magnet vinyl.

There will be a \$15 fee for workshop resources shared at the workshop.

Maximum number of participants = 40.

Register directly through Heather at: <http://bitly.ws/rWQD> or [Building Your Reading Toolbox link](#)

Select Heather Willms and August 30th to complete your registration.

August 30th AM Workshops

4. Design Thinking: Interdisciplinary Action Project lessons that support student exploration of the UN Sustainability Goals

Time: 9:00-11:00AM Grade level: grades 4-10
Location: Sandwick Technical
Presenter: Dawn Anderson

Workshop description:

Teachers will be provided with interdisciplinary lessons and resources (including Careers and ADST) that focus on the UN Sustainability Goals (USG's). Teachers will gain an understanding of what the USG's are and can then decide how they would like to design and support a local school, community, or global issue. There are many ways to approach running this in a classroom and there are teacher materials available to support you.

Please bring your laptop. Maximum number of participants: 25

Register directly through Dawn at: Dawn.Anderson@sd71.bc.ca

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5. What Do Learners Do? Play as learning in Early Primary

Time: 9:00-11:30AM **Grade level: Strong Start- grade 2**

Location: Learning Resource Centre, Glacier View

Presenter: Jacquie Anderson

Workshop description:

We know that play is an integral element in how young children learn and an important part of every early primary day. How can we enrich this vital childhood experience in the classroom? In this session we will explore a series of lessons that can shift your play/choice/centre time into meaningful opportunities for developing competencies, community and inquiry. By focusing on play and connecting it directly to the Core Competencies, we can help children begin to use the language of the competencies and see themselves and their peers as co-learners in a learning environment. This is a highly practical workshop with ideas for you to begin using on day one of September!

Maximum number of participants: 25

Register directly through Jacquie at Jacqueline.Anderson@sd71.bc.ca

6. Voyageur Canoe: Connected by Water

Time: 10:00-12:00AM **Grade level grades K-12**

Location: Comox Lake Park

Presenters: Meaghan Cursons & Christina (Tina) Willard Stepan

Workshop description:

Our Watershed, Our Community & Climate Resilience - Join the Connected by Water team while paddling the new Voyageur Canoes with guides provided by the Lake Park Society for 1/2 of your time. The other 1/2 will be spent touring through the rain forest back on shore with skilled LPS guides. LPS runs programs available for schools to book, and this is a great demonstration. The presentations are animated and informative tales about the Comox Valley Watershed, past, present, and future and all of the things that we can do to ensure its health and resiliency. The group will be split into two and alternating Forest time and voyageur canoe time. Introduction to teaching materials will be included.

Participants are encouraged to wear water-appropriate shoes that are good for hiking, and weather-appropriate clothing. They can expect to be moving on uneven terrain and gently paddling in the boats.

Maximum number of participants: 25

Register directly through Tina at willstepcoaching@shaw.ca

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7. The Neurobiology of Learning

Time: 9:00AM-12:00PM **Grade level: all grades**

Location: Mark R. Isfeld Secondary, room 302

Presenter: Larry Green

Workshop description:

*A presentation on what is happening in the brain when we go through the four processes needed for learning to happen: 1. **Paying attention** 2: **Being organized** 3. **Review** and 4. **Being emotional**.*

Presentation will include handouts and videos, including a TED talk. This will be followed with a group discussion on ways to help the brain to learn and things that make learning difficult.

Maximum number of participants: 25

Register directly through Larry at Larry.Green@sd71.bc.ca

8. Incorporating Fundamental Movement Skills into you Physical Literacy Program

Time: 9:00AM-12:00PM **Grade level: K-3**

Location: Cumberland Community School

Presenter: Jina Taylor

Workshop description:

Come and learn how to incorporate fundamental movement skills into your physical literacy program. We will explore games, warm-up activities, songs and skill development. You will leave with tons of resources to take back to your school and will see what each activity looks like by trying it.

***Please show up ready to be active and try out the games.**

Maximum number of participants: 25

Register directly through Jina at Jina.Taylor@sd71.bc.ca

9. Using Computer Technology in Comox Valley Schools for Beginners

Time: 9:00-11:30AM, **Grade level: K-12** **Location: TBD**

Presenter: Kara Dawson

Workshop description:

This session is for people who are either new to the district or are curious about what computer programs we use and would like to get a general idea of how to use them with classes. Kara will go through our Tech Handbook and go over Office 365 and saving in OneDrive. She will also go through the different options that you can use for communication and reporting as well as sharing ideas of programs you can use with your classes. She will let your computer needs guide her and go deeper into areas where the participants are more interested. Location to be announced.

Please bring your laptop. Maximum number of participants: 25

Register directly at: bit.ly/3NtnQjZ or email kara.dawson@sd71.bc.ca

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10. MyEd ~ More than Just the Basics

Time: 9:00-11:00AM **For Secondary Teachers**

Location: Vanier Secondary Computer Lab

Presenter: Julie Shields

Workshop description:

This is not your basic MyEd workshop... Get more out of MyEd. From seating plans with pictures, linking classes, messaging parents, MyEd can make your life easier. If you've ever thought "I wish MyEd could do THIS..." it probably can. Come see what it can do for you!

Maximum number of participants = 25.

Register directly through Julie at: Julie.Shields@sd71.bc.ca

11. *Well Played: Building Mathematical Thinking through Number Sense Games and Puzzles*

Time: 8:30-11:30AM **for Early Years – grade 5**

Location: Glacier View Gym

Presenter: Jeannie DeBoice, Numeracy Consultant

Workshop description:

*The focus of this 3-hour workshop is using games in class as more than just 'something to do when you are finished' but rather as a centerpiece of number sense development. We will discuss how to select engaging games with built-in 'low floor/high ceiling' adaptations and extensions to reach many learners in your classroom. We'll discuss how the purpose of the games change over time as you use them as part of your instruction - from playing the games '2 against 2' to develop the competencies of reasoning, using multiple strategies and communicating, justifying, and strategizing to becoming activities that develop automaticity through practice and even as 'homework' parents and students actually enjoy doing at home! The workshop will highlight ways to incorporate games and puzzles into numeracy learning with lots of hands-on to try out the games & puzzles for yourself. Finally, we will end our session together with a "Make and Take" of some of the games so you are ready to roll in September. Participants will also receive their own copy of the *Well Played* professional book by Linda Dacey, Karen Gartland & Jayne Bamfod Lynch. (The **K-2** version of the book is recommended for **early learning through to Grade 3**, and the **3-5** version for **intermediate teachers**.)*

Maximum number of participants = 30.

Register directly through Vivian Collyer (on behalf of Jeannie) at Vivian.Collyer@sd71.bc.ca

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August 30th PM workshops

12. Exploration of the LRC

Time: 1:00-3:00PM **Grade level: Strong Start to grade 7**

Location: Learning Resource Centre, Glacier View

Presenter: Joan Pearce

Workshop description:

The LRC contains a treasure trove of learning resources created to support the important work you do in your classrooms. Come join us at the LRC and explore the new and well-loved kits that cover the entire curriculum and have been designed with the following in mind: 21st Century Learning, diversity, different learning styles, Indigenous education, play-based and inquiry approaches, as well as place-based learning. This is one of the only times that all the LRC resources will be on the shelves so it is the perfect time to come, explore and take photos of kits that you would like to book. The first day of booking will be the next day, Wednesday, August 31 at 3:30PM sharp, so ensure you are ready by learning how to create Resource Lists of kits you would like.

Note - general information on the LRC, as well as tip sheets, can be found at:

<https://learn71.ca/follett-destiny-library/>

On a beaucoup de troussees en français et le service en français est disponible aussi.

Maximum number of participants: 20

Register directly through Joan at Joan.Pearce@sd71.bc.ca

13. Mindfulness for Early Primary/Primary

Time: 1:00-3:00PM **Grade level: K-2**

Location: TBD

Presenter: Meghan Grzeslo

Workshop description:

This workshop is designed to give simple mindfulness techniques to bring into your primary classroom. Some of these techniques will involve yoga, meditation and simple activities that I've enjoyed using in my classrooms.

Maximum number of participants: 20

Register directly through Meghan at Meghan.Grzeslo@sd71.bc.ca

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14. Using Your Projector/Smartboard and Lumio (formerly Smart Notebook) to Engage Your Class and Make Your Job Easier

Time: 12:30-3:00PM **Grade level: K-12**

Location: TBD

Presenter: Kara Dawson

Workshop description:

Do you have a projector/ Brightlink/Smartboard in your classroom that you use as just a projector? Lumio is intuitive web-based program that helps you create engaging lessons students can interact with in class. It is basically an easy way to use some of the features of your Smartboard/Brightlink or overhead projector that directly includes your students. Using Lumio, students can come up and work on the front board playing inactive games and activities you design as well as opening them on their individual computers at school or home. In this face-to-face session one of the Lumio instructors will be walking us through the basics and ways that you can use it to engage your class and make your job easier.

Please bring your laptop.

Maximum number of participants: 25

Register directly at: bit.ly/38z4YBI or email kara.dawson@sd71.bc.ca

15. The Nurtured Heart Approach

Time: 12:30PM-3:00PM **Grade level: K-12**

Location: Cumberland Community School, Multi-Purpose Room

Presenters: Robert Russell-Atkinson & John MacKenzie

With the right approach, you can cultivate an amazing level of success in challenging children, despite the propensities of a possible pre-existing genetic condition, living situations, stressors, and symptomatology. Adults skilled in the Nurtured Heart Approach always hold children accountable for problem behaviours but reserve animated and energetic responses for positive behaviours, and they have an uncanny ability to shift behaviour into a new and enduring pattern of success. With the Nurtured Heart Approach, challenging children can use their intensity in wonderful ways, and instead of acting out problems, they can act out greatness! During this introductory session you will receive strategies to use in your classroom and the aim is for you to leave the training with deeper understanding of the approach and some new tools to use in your classrooms.

Maximum number of participants: 20

Register directly through Robert at: Robert.Russell-Atkinson@sd71.bc.ca

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16. Number Sense Routines: Building Mathematical Thinking Every Day

Time: 1:00-3:00PM, for Early Years – grade 5

Location: Glacier View Gym

Presenter: Jeannie DeBoice, Numeracy Consultant

Workshop description:

*Number Sense is foundational in K-5 numeracy learning, as it underpins all other mathematical strands. Number Sense is best developed through daily routines over time, rather than through stand-alone units. This 2-hour workshop will provide teachers with routines, ranging from the early years through to the intermediate level, that are easy to incorporate into your numeracy lessons effectively, building number sense confidence and automaticity for your students. Participants will also receive their own copy of **Number Sense Routines: Building Mathematical Understanding Every Day** by Jessica Shumway. (The **K-3** version of the book is recommended for **early learning through to Grade 3**, and the **3-5** version for **intermediate teachers**.)*

Maximum number of participants = 35

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