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From Our Executive Director

Happy New Year!



As teachers and students start 2021 classes online it is a good time to look at the professional development learning opportunities NRLC/ARPDC have to offer to support Virtual Learning At Home, including the [ARPDC Supporting Learning at Home](#) website. NRLC has partnered with Jigsaw Learning to offer you “[Differentiated Instruction in the Virtual Classroom](#)” for both Elementary and Secondary stream teachers. Check out all of our provincial online opportunities on the calendar of our home page at www.NRLC.net. Make sure to register for any session that interests you, even if you can’t attend the session live. Registered participants get access to session recordings to view on their own time and schedule!

NRLC is also pleased to have launched a NEW website, [Infusing Indigenous Knowledge into the Curriculum Gr. 1-6](#). Stay tuned for our Grade Level Indigenous Learning Professional Learning Communities featuring the website this spring.

Wishing you a prosperous year!

Sandra Ciurysek
Executive Director

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Differentiation in the Virtual Classroom

with Colin Byers

Elementary Series
Jan 18, Feb 1 & Feb 18

Secondary Series
Jan 25, Feb 8 & Feb 22

Developing Number Sense

with Geri Lorway

[Grades K-1](#) | [Grades 2-4](#) | [Grades 5-8](#)

Your students need to develop number sense? Here's a plan you can begin with tomorrow. If you start the tasks the day after workshop one, by the time you return to workshop two you will have noted the impact. Then we'll dig deeper. When it comes to learning and remembering basic facts, every grade from K to 8 has a role to play.

Mamawhitowin


["Coming Together" - Infusing Indigenous Knowledge into the Curriculum](#)

with Kim Barker-Kay & Jamie Chalifoux

Jan 12, Jan 19, Jan 26, Feb 02, Feb 09 & Feb 16 | 4:00 - 5:00 PM | \$40

Historically, The Mamawhitowin Conference features two days of keynotes and breakout sessions to engage and empower all educators who come together. This year we will 'Come Together' for a combination of Indigenous Learning Series and work toward the success of all students meeting the new Alberta TQS standards. This year's theme is "Live the Learning".

Fierce Conversations Refresher Series



Throughout the series, participants will identify current barriers and challenges in having "real" conversations, participate in group discussion and learning on challenging conversation scenarios from an educational context.

Stream 1
 Session 1: Jan 29th
 Session 2: Feb 11th
 Session 3: Feb 25th
 Session 4: Mar 11th

Stream 2
 Session 1: Feb 4th
 Session 2: Feb 11th
 Session 3: Feb 25th
 Session 4: Mar 11th

French Opportunities

Click on the calendar to get an in-depth view of all French opportunities around the province and access to each session.

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Save the Date

Présentation de la méthode Les Alphas

with Caroline Funten

Feb 11 & Feb 25 | 4:00 - 5:00pm | Online

Cette méthode a été créée par deux psychopédagogues suisse Claude Huguenin et Olivier Dubois. Elle s'adresse à des enfants de 4 à 6 ans. L'objectif de cette méthode est d'apprendre aux enfants à lire en utilisant une méthode ludique avec des petits personnages les Alphas.

Virtual Learning

[Subscribe](#)[Past Issues](#)[Translate ▼](#)**January 05 | 10:00 - 11:00AM | FREE**

A single dashboard view of all your student's classroom work, organized and searchable from one place. Yes, it is possible! Attend this session to discover the most time-saving tool for Google Classroom and G Suite: Hāpara's Teacher Dashboard.

'Appy iPads in Schools and at Home with Janet Bell

January 12 | 4:00 - 5:00PM | \$20

With increased pressure to share devices at school and home, personal iPads may be used more often for schoolwork. Explore how to use and how to support your students using the iPad in G Suite and beyond. Bring your iPad along and we'll explore the basics, such as Notes, annotations, screen recording, and screencasting, and then deep dive into how this great tool works well with Google Classroom.

Jasper National Park Presents: Virtual Education Programs and Support for Outdoor Education with Sanne van der Ros & Jamie Orfald-Clarke

January 14 | 12:00 - 12:30PM | FREE

Are you looking for instructional support for both your in-class teaching as well as using the outdoors as a classroom? Members of the Jasper National Park Palisades Education Centre are excited to share information highlighting three different ways in which they can support you as educators. The Palisades Outdoor Learning Series, Palisades Education Office Hours and The Marmot Learning Centre Series are all virtual, interactive and FREE! This short overview session will help you become more familiar with what these programs have to offer you and your students.

Technology in Schools S1: Student-Centred Learning in 2021: What? Where? Why? How? with Janet Bell

January 18 | 4:00 - 6:00AM | \$20

Balance With Blended Learning with Caitlin Tucker

Jan 19, Feb 9 & Feb 23 | 4:00 - 5:30PM | \$120

As school-based leaders, teacher leaders and teachers, we have never been more cognizant of the 'value of time' and the demand of the same in our professional and personal lives. This series with Catlin will allow participants to ensure that they have a foundational understanding of 'Blended Learning' and how the application, and implementation, of this approach to teaching and learning can provide them with with the structure and pedagogy to 'reclaim' their lives, renew their energy and rekindle their passion for classroom teaching and learning.

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January 28 | 4:00 - 5:00PM | \$20

Whether you are sharing a quick screenshot on the fly or making a video demonstration of your lesson, there are Chrome extensions that can help you get the job done with only a couple of clicks. We'll explore these, as well as other ways to share your work--iPads as document cameras, and more.

The Inside Scoop on Online Teaching**with Corrie Ziegler, Marge Kobewka, Stephanie Scott, McKinley Conn & Michelle Stevens**

January 29 | 9:30 - 12:00PM | \$20

This session will begin with a short presentation from four different teachers, who teach at different grade levels, and represent three different districts. Their presentations will include tips, tricks, what works, and what doesn't work when teaching online and how to successfully engage and empower students in learning. Following their presentations, you will have the opportunity to move to smaller breakout room discussions, and delve deeper into the world of online teaching.

Supporting Online Learners**with Jennifer Ferguson**

Mar 9, May 4 & Jun 7 | 4:00 - 5:30PM | \$60

Panelists will share lessons learned and invite questions from those who are looking to learn along with them.

Coming Soon Around the Province**Thriving, not Just Surviving, in the First Year!****with Jennifer Ferguson***Feb 16, Mar 16, Apr 20, May 18 & Jun 08 | 4:00 - 5:30 PM | \$100*

Beginning teachers face a steep learning curve as they transition from the role of student to the role of educator. Much of the first year of teaching (or the second or third!) may feel like there is more to learn as a teacher than there is to be a teacher! Join this cohort to ask questions that have arisen in your new role, to learn with others who are also beginning their careers, and to build your professional learning network as we explore best practices

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We Learn from the Sun

with David Bouchard

A fresh, new look at the Seven Sacred Teachings through a book that is applicable to primary students. Don't kid yourself. The story and the teachings will resonate with all.



**February 3
Online**



Supporting Inclusion in the French immersion Program

with Kara Bowles

February 1 | 4:00 - 5:00PM | FREE

Data indicates that despite the many advantages of learning another language, some students do not participate in FI programs. As leaders, principals and vice-principals are important decision makers that have significant impact concerning this data. This series of webinars urges principals to go further by working with their school staff to reflect on the impact of their decisions with respect to inclusion in FI programming.

Layers of Reading Development: Moving Research into Best Practice

with Michelle Bence & Miriam Ramzy

Jan 20, Jan 26, Feb 03, Feb 24, Mar 02, Mar 09 | 4:00 - 5:30PM | FREE

How do students make sense of the text that they read? In this session, we consider the key elements that contribute to students' understanding of text and how comprehension can be supported and improved.



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